

ELIGIBILITY FOR TAKING BOARD EXAMINATIONS

Certification of eligibility, based upon these criteria, will be determined by the Assistant / Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and will be recommended to the Dean. (2022)

Integrated National Board Dental Examination (INBDE)

To be eligible to take the INBDE, the student must be registered as a senior student in the School of Dentistry after having successfully completed junior year didactic curriculum requirements. -Certification of eligibility is determined by the Student Performance Committee and is recommended to the Dean. Exceptions can be made at the discretion of the academic dean.

Students may make application to take this examination anytime following the certification of eligibility. If eligibility requirements are met, the Office of Academic Affairs will verify such with the American Dental Association and approval to take the examination will be granted. In planning to challenge this examination, students should consider that didactic content provided in the fall semester of the fourth year may aid in preparation for the exam.

Senior Clinical Examination (Mock Board)

In order to be eligible to take either the patient-based or nonpatient-based sections of the Senior Clinical Examination (Mock Board), the student must have successfully completed all first, second, and third year curriculum requirements and successfully completed all competency examinations offered during the first, second, and third years of study.

Certification of eligibility is determined by the Student Performance Committee and is recommended to the Dean. This is generally done during the fall semester near the end of the first quarter or the beginning of the second quarter.

Students will be required to take and successfully complete the Senior Clinical Examination (Mock Board) to be eligible for graduation. Failure to take and successfully complete this Examination and any necessary remediation will result in a review by the Student Performance Committee.

Any segment of the Senior Clinical Examination (Mock Board) that is not passed will require mandatory remediation in the area(s) not successfully completed (laboratory, clinical or didactic sections). The remediation program will be arranged by the department with academic responsibility for teaching the involved discipline(s), when possible. This program can involve the use of models, typodont teeth or extracted teeth or it may use a lecture/examination format. Its purpose is to assist the student in overcoming identified areas of weakness.

After successful completion of the remediation program, the student will be eligible to take a second examination covering the section(s) previously failed.

Licensure Examination Prior to Graduation

To be eligible to take a licensing examination prior to graduation, the student must successfully complete the applicable section(s) of the Senior Clinical Examination (Mock Board) that correspond(s) to the portions of the licensure examination being attempted. For those who fail to do this on their initial attempt, successful completion of any necessary remediation as well as successful completion of appropriate re-examination(s) will be required.