

APPLICATION PROCEDURES, DISBURSEMENTS AND USE OF AWARDS

Dental students must pass 85 percent of the cumulative yearly hours attempted and maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 to remain eligible for federal financial aid.

Application Procedures

1. Apply for admission to Creighton's School of Dentistry. No financial aid commitment can be made until a student is accepted for admission.
2. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). It should be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov as soon as possible after October 1, by going online at fafsa.ed.gov. To be considered for Health Professions Loan assistance, parental income must be supplied to the Financial Aid Office regardless of the dependency status. Students who are eligible for assistance will be notified with an aid offer.
3. New students are notified of the aid awarded by an award email which contains instructions for acceptance of aid. Returning students will receive an email notification when their aid package is available in NEST.

Idaho Dental Education Program (IDEP) - Certified residents of Idaho can elect to take their first year of dentistry in their state of residency at Idaho State University and then complete their studies at the Creighton University School of Dentistry.

Compact States Aid - A limited number of qualified applicants are accepted and receive partial tuition remission from the compact states of Idaho, New Mexico, North Dakota, and Wyoming. Residents of compact sites must contact respective states for residency certification.

It is recommended that application for financial aid be made between October 1 and March 1 preceding the fall semester in which one plans to enroll. Early application is desirable in order to insure the availability of funds. However, no student will be considered for or granted financial aid until that student is accepted by the University for admission and/or is in good standing with the University.

Disbursement and Use of Awards

All financial aid advanced by Creighton University must be used to pay tuition, fees, and University food and housing charges before any other direct or indirect educational costs. The specific amount awarded will be governed by the eligibility of the student and by the funds available at the time of application. One half of the total annual award will be available each semester.

Satisfactory Academic Progress

The Education Amendments of 1980 require Creighton University as an institution of higher learning to define and monitor standards of satisfactory academic progress for students receiving Federal financial aid. These standards are established for students who are receiving Federal Title IV financial aid. The financial aid programs for dental students are the Federal Direct Stafford Student Loan, the Federal Direct Grad PLUS Loan, and the Health Professions Student Loan (HPSL).

Dental students are eligible for aid up to 435 credits in the School of Dentistry or a degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery, whichever comes first.