FACTS & HIGHLIGHTS

OUR VIBRANT ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

- NYU College of Dentistry is the 3rd oldest and the most comprehensive oral healthcare center in the US, educating nearly 10 percent of our nation’s dentists.

- The College’s tripartite mission — Education & Training, Research & Innovation, and Patient Care — is advanced by 11 academic departments focused on improving the health of the highly diverse populations in New York City and around the world.

- Unique factors central to the DDS program include a strong foundation in the basic sciences, opportunities to collaborate with our world-renowned specialty faculty and researchers, and training alongside students in the Dental Hygiene program — the only such integration in NY State.

DDS PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- DDS students are assigned to one of 14 group practices at Orientation.

- The Student Success Network provides each incoming student with a Peer Mentor, an Academic Advisor, a Peer Tutor, a Faculty Mentor, a Group Practice Director, and a Peer Assessment Facilitator.

- Plastinated specimens along with a personalized learning platform are used to teach anatomy.

- DDS students are integrated early into the clinical setting, beginning in the spring semester of the D2 year, with rotations in all specialty areas occurring in the D3 and D4 years.

- D3 and D4 students choose from electives ranging from Dental Care for Survivors of Torture, to Honors in Special Patient Care, to Precision Medicine: Salivary Diagnostics and Genomics, among many others.

- The Class of 2018 achieved an amazing 99.7% first-time pass rate on Part I of the National Boards.

- All students are certified in Invisalign®.

- Over 40 student clubs enhance student life at the College.

DEGREES OFFERED

- Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)

- Master of Science (MS) in Biomaterials

- Master of Science (MS) in Clinical Research

- Master of Science (MS) in Biology/Oral Biology*

- Bachelor of Science (BS) in Dental Hygiene

- Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Dental Hygiene

*Degree granted through the NYU Graduate School of Arts and Science

JOINT DEGREES OFFERED

- DDS/MBA with the NYU Stern School of Business

- DDS/MPH program in Global Public Health with the NYU College of Global Public Health**

**Students may also pursue a DDS/Online Certificate in Public Health through a partnership with the NYU College of Global Public Health

ADVANCED CERTIFICATES OFFERED

- Endodontics

- Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

- Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopedics

- Pediatric Dentistry

- Periodontics

- Prosthodontics

PATIENT CARE

WITHIN THE DENTAL CENTER

- More than 300,000 patient visits are made annually to the College’s treatment centers in the connected Schwartz and Weissman buildings.

THROUGHOUT NEW YORK CITY

- NYU Dentistry students provide care for nearly 12,000 patients per year on faculty-supervised rotations at community outreach sites across New York City and aboard the Dental Van.

AROUND THE WORLD

- Approximately 200 students annually participate in the NYU Dentistry/Henry Schein Cares Global Student Outreach Program, bringing care to people in underserved areas at 23 outreach sites across 9 countries.

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Important Dates in NYU College of Dentistry History

1865: New York College of Dentistry founded.
1866: The College opens its first session with 31 students enrolled.
1871: First female dental student, Helene Vongl de Swiderska, admitted.
1903: One of the earliest uses of the X-ray in dentistry occurred at New York College of Dentistry.
1925: New York College of Dentistry merges with NYU to become the New York University College of Dentistry.
1926: NYU College of Dentistry establishes the nation’s first Department of Endodontics.
1949: NYU College of Dentistry establishes the nation’s first Department of Pediatric Dentistry.
1957: The College moves into one of its current buildings at 421 First Avenue, marking its first purchased property.
1957–1988: The College purchases and occupies additional space at 433 First Avenue, known as the “Basic Sciences” Building.
1961–2003: NYU College of Dentistry offers the only accredited Dental Assistant Training Program in New York State.
1965: The building at 421 First Avenue is named the K.B. Weissman Clinical Science Building, in recognition of its principal donor.
Mid '60s–Mid '70s: The Murry and Leonie Guggenheim Foundation Institute for Dental Research at NYU College of Dentistry supported early investigations into the structure and chemistry of bones and teeth.
1970: Dental Health Organization is formed. This student-led organization, the precursor of today’s outreach programs, was featured in an article in The New York Times.
1978: The Arnold and Marie Schwartz Hall of Dental Sciences opens with a naming ceremony honoring its donors. It is the first new dental facility built at NYU.
1980: NYU College of Dentistry establishes the first family practice program at a U.S. dental school.
1981: MS Program in Dental Materials Science established as a joint venture between the NYU College of Dentistry, the NYU Graduate School of Arts & Science, and the Polytechnic Institute (now the NYU Polytechnic Bioengineering Institute). The program has evolved into the MS Program in Biomaterials, with all courses now taught at NYU Dentistry through the Department of Biomaterials.
1984: NYU College of Dentistry and WABC-TV partner to provide annual free dental screenings for New Yorkers — a 30+-year partnership.
1986: Advanced Placement DDS Program established for internationally trained dentists who wish to qualify for licensure in the U.S.
1990: MS program in oral biology/biology established. The oral biology track is offered in collaboration with the NYU Graduate School of Arts and Science (GSAS) Department of Biology.
1991: NYU Kriser Dental Center designated an Article 28 Diagnostic and Treatment Center by the New York State Department of Health.
1995: The College is awarded a $4.6 million grant by the NIDCR to establish a Minority Oral Health Research Center.
1998: NYU College of Dentistry establishes Programs for International Dentists to receive specialty training and return to practice in their home countries.
1999: Global Health Nexus debuts.
2000:  
- The College becomes the sole dental school to earn membership in the prestigious Biomedical Research Alliance of New York.  
- The College introduces a completely digital curriculum.  
- The College launches *Smiling Faces, Going Places*, the first dental facility on wheels to travel throughout New York City.  
- The College establishes a Global Outreach Program, which today provides outreach experiences for more than 200 students, faculty, and staff annually and provides care for thousands worldwide.

2001:  
- NYU College of Dentistry receives $8.3 million in NIDCR funding to establish the NYU Oral Cancer Research for Adolescent and Adult Health Promotion (RAAHP) Center.  
- Certificate and MS Programs in Clinical Research established.

2002:  
- NIDCR awards NYU College of Dentistry a $5.8 million grant to develop a design prototype that will extend the life of ceramic crowns.  
- The Bluestone Center for Clinical Research opens, providing an ideal environment for conducting clinical trials of new therapies before they are brought to market.  
- The Rosenthal Institute for Aesthetic Dentistry opens. It’s the nation’s first comprehensive program in an academic dental center to train dentists in the field of aesthetic dentistry.

2004:  
- The College introduces plastination into the dental anatomy curriculum, becoming the first U.S. dental school to adopt this technology.  
- The College introduces implant education at the predoctoral level, the first U.S. dental school to do so.  
- Colgate-Palmolive joins the College and WABC-TV in cosponsoring free oral health screenings.

2005:  
- NYU College of Dentistry forms an alliance with the NYU Nursing Program to create a College of Nursing within the College of Dentistry.  
- NIDCR awards a $26.7 million grant to the College to establish the NYU PEARL Practice-Based Research Network.

2006:  
- NYU Nursing Faculty Practice opens at NYU College of Dentistry.  
- NYU College of Dentistry leads first annual NYC Oral Cancer Awareness Walk.

2007:  
- Major NYU College of Dentistry clinics and laboratories renovated.  
- The College introduces a dual degree (DDS/MPH) program combining dentistry and public health.  
- NIDCR awards the College a $6.2M grant for HIV Research.  
- Edward Fox donates $5 million to the College to establish the Herman Robert Fox Deanship in memory of his father Herman Robert Fox, ’25.

2008:  
- Renovations of major clinical facilities continue.

2009:  
- The second floor in the Schwartz building is completely renovated; Dr. Gary and Alyse Ruth Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Wing established.

2010:  
- The Linhart Center for Continuing Dental Education opens.  
- NYU Academy of Distinguished Educators is established to advance the art and science of teaching and learning at the College.  
- Consortium for Translational Orthodontic Research (CTOR) established.  
- NYU College of Dentistry/Henry Schein Cares Global Student Outreach Program established.

2011:  
- Oral Medicine and Special Patient Care pilot program launched.

2012:  
- NYU Oral Cancer Center established.  
- NYU Center for Skeletal and Craniofacial Biology established.

2013:  
- The online only, open-access *Journal of the Academy of Distinguished Educators (JADE)* debuts.

2014:  
- Electronic Health Record (EHR) launched.

2015:  
- New, collaborative, 170,000 square-foot dentistry, nursing, and bioengineering building opens at 433 First Avenue.

2016:  
- Dentsply Sirona Endodontic Suite opens.  
- DDS/MBA and DDS/Certificate in Public Health programs established.

2017:  
- Oral Health Center for People with Disabilities established.