



PRE-DENTISTRY

Pre-professional pathway | Health Professions Advising

PREPARE FOR A CAREER IN DENTISTRY

Dentistry combines science, problem-solving, communication, and hands-on patient care. At Chadron State College, Pre-Dentistry helps students prepare for dental school while completing an undergraduate degree.

With employment for dentists projected to grow 6 percent nationwide from 2025 to 2035, the field offers strong opportunities for students interested in oral health, hands-on care, and working directly with patients. Dentistry may be a good fit for those who are compassionate, detail-oriented, have strong manual dexterity and spatial judgment, and are interested in both health care and the business side of practice.

FAST FACTS

Program Type

Pre-professional pathway

Degree

Complete a CSC bachelor's degree in a major that fits your goals (Chemistry recommended)

Why CSC?

Personalized faculty advising and mentoring

Real-World Connections

Connect with health professionals and rural health care communities

Next Step

Apply to Chadron State College

WHERE THIS PATHWAY CAN LEAD

CAREERS

General Dentist
Family Dentist
Pediatric Dentist
Orthodontist
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon
Periodontist

WHERE YOU COULD WORK

Private dental practices
Community health clinics
Rural health facilities
Hospitals and health systems
Dental schools and universities
Public health or government agencies

YOUR CSC EXPERIENCE

Personalized faculty advising
Health Professions Club
Mentoring and peer connections
Professional-school exploration
Rural health experiences

RURAL HEALTH OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM

For eligible rural Nebraska students, RHOP offers a Dentistry pathway from Chadron State College to the UNMC College of Dentistry. Benefits may include full tuition at CSC, early acceptance to the applicable UNMC program upon successful completion of RHOP requirements, faculty advising, professional development, sponsored visits, and meeting entrance requirements.

PLAN YOUR PATH WITH A FACULTY ADVISOR

No single course plan fits every future dental student. Dental schools establish their own prerequisite courses, admission standards, testing requirements, and application expectations, and these requirements may change.

Your CSC faculty advisors can help you choose a major that supports your goals, identify prerequisites for the dental schools you are considering, explore possible pathways, and prepare for your next steps.

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