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DENTAL LINKAGE APPLICATION
INTERNAL APPLICATION DEADLINES AND CHECKLIST 2024-2025

Deadline I: Monday, September 30, 2024 at noon

- The components of this online application are biographical and academic information, a photograph, resume, essays, experiences and achievements entries, and the universal waiver for letters of recommendation.
- Documentation of at least 90 hours of clinical work to date. Students must complete 120 hours of clinical work by the end of December 2024.
- Submission of the linkage program essay by this date is optional (it must be submitted by noon on Monday, December 2, 2024).
- We encourage you to register for your AADSAS ID as soon as possible. When you do so and also when you register for the DAT, please be vigilant about the name you use. The name on the ID documents you present at the DAT test site must match your registration name exactly. *J. Mary Smith* is not the same as *Mary Smith or Jane Mary Smith.*

§ Those who submit a linkage application by the deadline will subsequently receive instructions to schedule a portfolio review during the fall semester.

Deadline II: Monday, December 2, 2024

- Letters of recommendations from all recommenders (except fall 2024 term faculty) must be received by this date.
- First draft of AADSAS personal statement.
- Completion of at least 120 hours of clinical work by the end of December 2024.
- The linkage program essay (if not previously submitted).
- A completed draft of your AADSAS application, including:
    - Grades
    - Experiences
    - Personal statement

Prospective linkage nominees, having initiated their AADSAS applications for 2024 by this date, should have their transcripts submitted to AADSAS.

December 31, 2024 (Tuesday): Deadline to submit AADSAS
- A pdf of AADSAS must be uploaded to your portfolio.

January 2, 2025 (Thursday): Notification of nomination for linkage
- Pending receipt of fall grades.
- Nominees will receive application instructions and a timeline.

January 9, 2025 (Thursday): Deadline to accept a linkage nomination.

January 21, 2025 (Tuesday): Deadline to submit letters of recommendation for Fall 2024 faculty.