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Oral Health Educator Certificate Program

The University of Minnesota School of Dentistry is proud to announce its new Oral Health Educator Certificate Program. The program's curriculum will provide dental and dental hygiene educators with the contemporary knowledge and skills needed for effective didactic and clinical teaching. The School of Dentistry has been preparing oral health professionals for more than 130 years, and today the school is a national leader in dental education, research and oral health patient care.

Clinical teaching January 9-March 3, 2023 | Didactic teaching March 6-April 28, 2023
Instructional strategies May 1-June 23, 2023 | Assessment June 26-August 18, 2023



FOUR COURSES

Course series

Clinical teaching
Didactic teaching
Instructional strategies
Assessment

TWELVE CREDITS

Prerequisites

Licensure in a dental profession
Bachelor's degree, at minimum

Become the best educator you can be.



Candidates should hold, at minimum, a baccalaureate degree and a current faculty appointment in a dental educational institution.

How to apply

Applications are submitted through the University of Minnesota Graduate School. The application deadline is December 2, 2022.

Get more information on requirements and the application process at grad.umn.edu/admissions.

About the program

The Oral Health Educator Certificate program will provide you with the knowledge and skills necessary to be an effective educator in the classroom and in the clinic. This new program develops essential skills, while guiding learners in the exploration of contemporary educational methods, innovative teaching strategies and student assessment. Early-career and seasoned educators will enhance their understanding of dental education.

The certificate can be completed asynchronously over six months of curriculum, across four courses. Each course is eight weeks long, and courses can be taken individually or in sequence in pursuit of the certificate.

Why pursue a certificate?

Oral health practitioners often take on the role of educator following years of clinical practice. You may not have received any formal training in teaching, and may not be familiar with the academic environment.

The online, self-paced courses involved in the certificate will develop your confidence as an educator while allowing you to maintain work-life balance.

Who should apply?

Faculty, lecturers and instructors engaged in dental and dental hygiene education and seeking to develop effective classroom and clinical teaching skills are welcome to apply for this certificate.

For more information

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