



## 2008 AADSAS Application Check List

### Before You Apply:

- Visit the websites of the participating dental schools and research each school's requirement.
- Request official transcripts from every college/university attended.
- Request letters of evaluation from designated evaluators.
- Develop a resume of activities/accomplishments as a college student and beyond.
  - Think about...
    - Scholastic awards and honors earned
    - Job shadowing and volunteer experience in dentistry
    - Extracurricular activities and leadership positions
    - Volunteer and community service activities
    - Work experience
    - Research experience
    - Activities requiring manual dexterity
- Organize your thoughts on why you are seeking a dental education.
- Register to take the Dental Admissions Test (DAT) or Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (CDAT).
- Print the AADSAS Instructions and FAQ's.
- Communicate with your advisor about guidance.
- Resources:
  - Official Guide to Dental School
  - Opportunities for Minority Students in U.S Dental Schools

### Fee Reduction:

- The ADEA-AADSAS Fee Reduction Program (FRP) was created for dental school applicants who demonstrate an **extreme** need for financial assistance.
- The FRP **is not** a fee waiver program.
- All FRP applicants are required to complete an AADSAS application and pay their AADSAS application fees in full  
[http://www.adea.org/WebDocs/AADSAS/FRP\\_Inst\\_08.pdf](http://www.adea.org/WebDocs/AADSAS/FRP_Inst_08.pdf)

### While You Are Applying:

- Submit official transcripts from every college/university attended along with the Transcript Matching Form.
- Make sure you have THOROUGHLY filled out the AADSAS application before submission.
- Thoroughly read ALL instructions on the AADSAS website.
- Visit AADSAS website and log into your application for updates frequently.

- Submit the Letters of Evaluation Matching Form to your evaluator and ask them to attach the form to the letter of evaluation. If submitting a committee letter, provide the name of the individual submitting the letter ONLY. Do not provide the names of individual evaluators whose letters are contained in the committee package. Refer to the instructions for the definition of a committee letter.
- AADSAS will only access and process four letters of evaluation on your behalf. AADSAS recognizes a committee letter/report as 3 letters.
- Review your application before e-submission.
- Contact or check the colleges/universities to make sure you are clear on what information should be sent directly to the school.
- Print a copy of your application and instructions.

### **Completed Your Application:**

- Submit your AADSAS application.
- Make sure payment is received by AADSAS.
- Check status of your application periodically.
- Make sure to check the email address linked to your AADSAS application.
- Keep a record of all emails sent to you from AADSAS and the dental schools for your records.
- Communicate with your designated dental schools about receipt of letters of evaluation and additional documents.
- Make a decision on the dental school you selected if you made a deposit at more than one school.

### **Academic Update:**

- Request Official Transcripts from every college/university you attended that reflect updated course grades or additional courses.
- Make sure to e-submit your application to AADSAS once you have made the necessary changes and additions to your application.