

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

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Important Information for Applicants for Dental Licensure

Please read the following instructions and requirements carefully. Most of your questions concerning application and examination should be answered in these instructions. However, if you have further questions, please contact the Board office at the above address and phone number.

The examination will be held June 7-10, 1983, at the University of Mississippi School of Dentistry located on the campus of University Medical Center, 2500 North State Street, Jackson, Mississippi. The Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners conducts one examination annually.

The Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners grants licenses to practice general dentistry in the State of Mississippi on the basis of examination only. Mississippi does not engage in reciprocity agreements with other states, and no temporary licenses or permits are issued or special examinations given. Those individuals who wish to be licensed in a specialty field of practice must first obtain a general dental license by successful completion of the examination. Specialty licensure may then be requested by making application and presenting proper credentials to the Board.

General Requirements for Application:

An applicant for examination for dental licensure shall: (a) Be a citizen of the United States, except as otherwise provided in Section 73-9-23 of the Mississippi Laws Pertaining to the State Board of Dental Examiners (copy enclosed), be of good moral character, be possessed of a high school education, have attained the age of twenty-one (21) years; and (b) hold a degree from a dental school accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Dental and Dental Auxiliary Education Programs of the American Dental Association, except as otherwise provided in Section 73-9-23 of the Mississippi Laws Pertaining to the State Board of Dental Examiners.

Application should be made to the Secretary of the Board by certified mail with return receipt requested. Application, fees, and all supporting documentation must be received by the Board at least thirty (30) days before the announced date of the examination.

Board fees and clinic fees must be paid in two separate amounts by certified check or money order. No personal checks will be accepted for fees. Examination fees are refunded only if the candidate's application is not accepted by the Board. In the event of illness or an emergency, fees will be applied to the next scheduled Mississippi Board for Licensure providing the Board office is notified no later than three (3) days prior to the examination.

Applicants who are unsuccessful on the examination may re-apply for a future examination and be considered as new applicants.

YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE COMPLETE UPON RECEIPT OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. TYPED application form filled out completely and properly signed and notarized.
2. Certified check or money order in the amount of \$150.00 made payable to the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners. This amount is your Board application fee.
3. Certified check or money order in the amount of \$50.00 made payable to the University of Mississippi School of Dentistry. This amount covers your clinic fees such as necessary materials, anesthetics, and x-ray film.
4. Notarized signatures of two (2) reputable citizens of the state in which the applicant is a resident. (See application form for further information.)
5. Copy of National Board Examination Grade Card. Written examinations will be given to those candidates who have not passed all parts of the National Board Examinations.
6. Copies of official transcripts for each high school, college, and dental school attended. These transcripts must be mailed directly to the Board office by the schools. Transcripts will not be accepted from the candidate. Final dental school transcript must show the degree awarded.
7. For those candidates who are still in dental school at the time of application but who expect to graduate prior to the examination, a letter from the dental dean stating that the applicant is expected to graduate. (Final transcript awarding degree must be received before license may be issued.)
8. Certified statement from the Secretary of the Board of Dental Examiners in each state in which applicant is currently licensed verifying license status and good standing. In states where applicant has been previously licensed, the Secretary of the Board must notify this office as to the reason for license expiration or revocation.
9. Proof of having liability insurance coverage during the State Board examination. (For your convenience, an insurance application is enclosed. However, please feel free to use the insurance company of your choice.)
10. Proof of having completed the Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Course. (This C.P.R. Course is renewable annually and must be current at the time of the examination.)

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR PREPARING FOR THE EXAMINATION:

APPLICANTS MUST FURNISH THEIR OWN PATIENTS AND MUST BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR APPEARANCE ON SCHEDULE. All patient records, x-rays, models, etc. become the property of the Board and will not be released to candidates or patients under any circumstances.

Applicants should present themselves well-groomed and properly attired for the examination. No name plates or monograms denoting the name of the applicant or the school attended may be worn. Each applicant will be assigned a candidate number at the orientation session, and this number must be displayed on the candidate's operatory cubicle and worn on his/her right lapel.

CANDIDATES FOR DENTAL LICENSURE WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS AND CLINICAL PROCEDURES: (The clinical procedures may be performed by the candidate at any time during the three-day clinic schedule.)

1. All candidates are required to PASS a written examination in jurisprudence based on "The Mississippi Laws Pertaining to the State Board of Dental Examiners." Candidates who fail the jurisprudence examination will not be allowed to continue the Board.
2. All candidates will be required to take a practical examination in dental anatomy consisting of identification of fifty (50) extracted teeth.
3. All candidates will be required to take an oral diagnosis examination consisting of identifying structures and lesions on radiographs and slides.
4. Each candidate will be required to do two amalgam restorations. One must be an M.O.D.; the other may be an M.O.D., M.O., or D.O. These restorations must be on either a molar or bicuspid with virgin carious lesions and no prior restorations. There must be opposing teeth in normal occlusion with mesial and distal adjacent teeth in contact to protect and restore.
5. Each candidate will be required to do one Class III Composite. The tooth to be restored must have virgin Class III carious lesion.
6. Each candidate will be required to do an M.O.D. three-surface cast gold inlay or onlay on a molar or bicuspid. There must be opposing teeth in normal occlusion and mesial and distal adjacent teeth with contact to protect and restore. Teeth to be restored with gold INLAY must have virgin carious lesions with no prior restorations. Teeth to be restored with gold ONLAY may have prior restorations. Gold inlay or onlay restoration must be seated and final checked by 5:00 p.m. on the day starting check is given.
7. Each candidate will be required to do one cast gold full or 3/4 crown on a molar or bicuspid. There must be opposing teeth in normal occlusion

with at least one adjacent tooth in contact to protect and restore. For the purpose of this examination, all caries, old bases, and old fillings should be removed from crown preparations. No starting check will be given for a crown on a tooth that has recently been restored or built up to be later crowned or for a tooth that has had endodontic treatment. Also, for the purposes of this examination, the margins of all crowns must be placed subgingivally. Restoration must be seated and final checked by 5:00 p.m. on the day starting check is given.

8. Each candidate will be required to do a full prosthetics set-up on a totally edentulous patient. An upper and lower final or master impression will be taken and stone models made. Candidates will construct wax bite rims and establish vertical and centric relation. Previously prepared primary impressions or custom trays may be used upon request at the time of a starting check. The dental school's laboratory facilities will not be available prior to the examination for preparing custom trays.
9. Each candidate must be prepared to discuss a Diagnosis and Treatment Plan for any of their restorative patients.

General Information for Completing Clinical Portion of the Examination:

1. All teeth to be prepared must have a recent periapical and bitewing x-ray to be presented to an examiner at the time of a starting check.
2. All teeth will be numbered 1 through 32 starting with the upper right third molar and ending with the lower right third molar.
3. Grading: Candidates will be penalized in their operative grade if they are guilty of any of the following poor techniques:
  - a. Unwarranted pulp exposure or mismanagement;
  - b. Adjacent tooth mutilation;
  - c. Remaining caries;
  - d. Casting not seated;
  - e. Poor anatomy and improper contour of casting;
  - f. Overhanging margin;
  - g. Shy or open margins;
  - h. Open contact;
  - i. Over-preparation;
  - j. Under-preparation;
  - k. Inadequate retention;
  - l. Hyperocclusion/Hypoocclusion;
  - m. Mutilation of soft tissue.

NOTE: SEE LAST PAGE OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR X-RAY EXAMPLES OF ACCEPTABLE AND UNACCEPTABLE LESIONS.

4. All candidates will be required to do their own lab work. However, a technician will operate the thermotrol casting machine. Candidates

will do their own wax patterns, investing, and clean up.

5. Auxiliaries provided by the dental school may be used only to assist in impression-taking and cementation. Candidates may assist one another for these procedures. Candidates may not bring an assistant to the clinic.
6. Three alginate impressions and models will be required for each procedure: (a) impression of tooth to be restored after starting check and prior to instrumentation; (b) impression of completed preparation prior to base or build up (if needed); (c) impression of finished restoration. These models will be retained by the Board as a part of your records.
7. A bitewing x-ray of each finished preparation and each finished restoration must be presented to an examiner when being checked. X-ray of the preparation must be made before any base or build up is placed. These x-rays will be retained by the Board as a part of your records.
8. Prior to requesting grading of preparations and finished restorations, candidates must have the appropriate impressions and x-rays available for inspection by the Examiner.
9. Candidates must bring their own instruments, handpieces, and local anesthetic syringe. Air handpiece tubing has 4-hole Midwest-type adapter. Candidates must also bring their own casting gold. The school will furnish all expendibles, however, it may be to the candidate's advantage to furnish his/her own impression material so he/she will be using material to which he/she is accustomed. Hydrocolloid will be available, but candidates must furnish their own trays.
10. One locker will be furnished to each candidate, but candidates must furnish their own locks.

EXAMINATION SCHEDULETUESDAY, JUNE 7, 1983

1:00 p.m.

Orientation session - Room D-114

Jurisprudence written examination;  
Oral Diagnosis examination;  
Dental Anatomy examinationWEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 1983

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Restorative Clinics - 4th floor

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1983

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Restorative Clinics - 4th floor

FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 1983

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Restorative Clinics - 4th floor

Patient Waiting Area:

4th floor

Laboratory:

Room D-408

Locker Rooms:

Male Candidates - Room D-105  
Female Candidates - Room D-115

**TOP ACCEPTABLE**



**TOP UNACCEPTABLE**

