



INFORMATION FOR **ADVISORS**

1.

DAT Information

- Applicants should expect to study for 8-12 weeks for 30 hours a week in preparation for the DAT. Consider using these resources:
 - ✦ DAT Bootcamp: best for learning the **content** of what you need to know.
 - ✦ DAT Booster: best for the **practice tests**. Some questions were verbatim to the practice tests.
- Studying is a full-time job. Adapt your schedule/ cut down your working hours so you can prioritize studying.
- The DAT Scoring is changing but the content is not. The new system will provide more accurate and precise scoring.
 - ✦ Changing from a two-digit score to a three-digit score. Example: perfect score on old DAT 30, perfect score on new DAT 600.
 - ✦ Our new average score is 420.

<https://www.adea.org/For-Sorting-New/the-admissions-process/updates-to-the-ada-dat-scoring-and-reporting>

2.

Pre- Requisites

ALL Courses Completed with a **C or Better**

- General Biology or General Zoology with Lab (8 semester hours/12 quarter hours)
 - ✦ Cellular or Molecular Biology also count towards this requirement
 - General Chemistry with Lab (8 semester hours/12 quarter hours)
 - Organic Chemistry with Lab (8 semester hours/12 quarter hours)
 - General Physics with Lab, Algebra or Calculus based (8 semester hours/12 quarter hours)
 - Microbiology, Lab not required (3 semester hours/5 quarter hours)
 - General Biochemistry, Lab not required (3 semester hours/5 quarter hours)
 - English Composition (3 semester hours/5 quarter hours)
 - 90 semester hours with at least 30 hours of upper division credit
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3.

Creating a Strong Application

- The personal statement is the space for applicants to tell their story, do not repeat information we can find on your resume or elsewhere on your application. Personal Statement should address the “why” behind pursuing dentistry. Needs to go deeper than helping people, art/science, working with their hands.
 - Things to consider when brainstorming:
 - ✦ What is unique about you?
 - ✦ What are your accomplishments?
 - ✦ What can you offer CU School of Dental Medicine?
 - ✦ What is one thing we should know about you?
- Be mindful of the extracurriculars. Include activities that highlight leadership and commitment to community.

4.

Interview Tips

- Students are being judged the moment they begin interacting with a dental school, make sure the interactions are A+++
- Speak to your specific experiences and your personal mission, visions and values
- Craft a one-minute elevator pitch about you.
- Be yourself

5.

Apply

- Official Transcript that shows all completed prerequisites
- DAT (Dental Admissions Test)
- Letters of Recommendation:
 - a. Two letters from science instructors AND one letter from a non-science instructor, dentist you shadowed or employer, OR
 - b. Pre-Dental Committee letter (must include two science instructors)
- **\$100** supplemental application fee is due to CU SDM
- ADEA AADSAS App Fee

6.

Video Links

Welcome to the CU School of Dental Medicine



Technology in Dental Education: Inspire. Imagine. Impact.



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Why CU

- The city a Mile High!
- ACTS Rotation fully prepares you for clinical settings come post-grad
- Integration of Technology
- Dental Advance Simulation Hub
- Campus Community and Culture
- Faculty Engagement
- Mentorship/Tutoring

DAT Concordance Table (New to Old)

Linking new DAT scores (200 to 600) to the old DAT score reporting scale (1 to 30).

DAT Score (NEW scale)	DAT Score (OLD scale)							
	AA	SNS	BIO	GCH	OCH	PAT	QRT	RCT
200	1	2	4	8	8	4	4	2
210	3	4	11	10	10	12	10	6
220	5	6	11	11	10	12	11	10
230	6	9	11	11	10	13	11	12
240	8	11	12	11	10	13	11	12
250	10	11	12	11	11	13	11	13
260	11	12	12	11	11	13	12	13
270	12	12	12	12	11	14	12	14
280	13	12	13	12	12	14	12	14
290	13	13	13	12	12	14	13	15
300	13	13	13	13	12	15	13	15
310	14	14	14	13	13	15	13	16
320	14	14	14	14	13	15	14	16
330	15	14	15	14	14	16	14	17
340	15	15	15	15	14	16	15	17
350	16	15	16	15	15	16	15	18
360	16	16	16	16	15	17	16	18
370	17	16	17	16	16	17	16	19
380	17	17	17	17	17	18	17	19
390	18	18	18	17	17	18	17	20
400	19	18	18	18	18	19	18	20
410	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	21
420	20	19	20	19	19	20	19	21
430	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	22
440	21	21	21	21	21	20	20	22
450	22	21	22	21	21	21	21	23
460	22	22	22	22	22	21	22	24
470	23	22	23	23	22	22	22	24
480	23	23	24	23	23	22	23	25
490	24	23	24	24	24	23	24	25
500	25	24	25	24	24	23	24	26
510	25	24	25	25	25	23	25	26
520	26	25	26	26	26	24	26	26
530	26	26	26	26	26	24	26	26
540	27	27	27	27	26	25	27	27
550	28	27	27	27	27	25	27	27
560	28	28	27	27	28	25	28	29
570	29	29	28	28	29	26	28	30
580	29	29	28	29	30	26	28	30
590	29	30	29	30	30	28	29	30
600	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30

Interpretation Example:

A Reading Comprehension score of 300 on the new DAT reporting scale is approximately equivalent to a Reading Comprehension score of 15 on the old scale.

AA Academic Average
SNS Survey of Natural Sciences

BIO Biology
GCH General Chemistry
OCH Organic Chemistry
PAT Perceptual Ability
QRT Quantitative Reasoning
RCT Reading Comprehension