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Welcome to Pre-Dental Society

Fall 2026 GMM1



Ella

Position: Co-President

Year: Junior

Major: Neurobiology w/
3D studio art cert

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Year: Senior

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*or dm pds insta

Get to know one another!

1. **Form groups of 4-6, and the exec board will join groups**
2. **Introduce yourself with name + major**
3. **Would you rather question!**
4. **Quickly form new groups**

Would you rather spend a year
completely alone on a silent
planet or live in a crowded room
with 100 people who constantly
chew loudly?

Would you rather lose your phone in Camp Randall or lose your Wiscard and have it posted on the Snapchat story?

Would you rather
accidentally call your dental
school interviewer “Mom” or
realize halfway through you
have food stuck between
your teeth?

Point System

- Active Membership Requires 7 total points & Paid Dues
 - 1 point in each category:
 - Fundraising
 - Volunteer
 - Social
 - General Member Meeting
 - 3 additional points from any category
 - Either repeat some of the categories above or also become involved in mentorship, professional development events, and or social media related activities
- Sign in at each event to get a point!
- Executive Board Positions
 - Heavily favor active membership status and the amount of points earned by a member

Dues

Andy Nguyen

@badgerpds



venmo

Pre-Dental Society

a***9@wisc.edu



zelle

Dues are \$25 for all members

Venmo @badgerpds

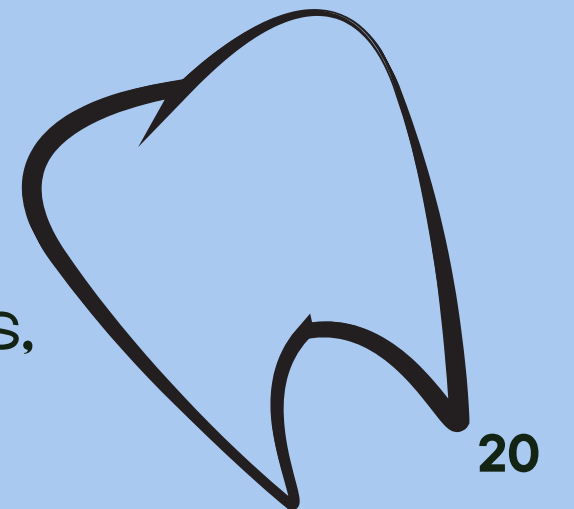
Zelle: amnguyen29@wisc.edu

Include "Your Name + PDS Dues" in the description

What do dues go towards?

- Active member points!
- Chicago Midwinter Meeting
- DAT prep and study material
- Social media and Website Design
- Charities: Operation Smiles
- Social Events
- & Much More!

If you encounter any difficulties paying dues,
please reach out to Courtland or Andy!



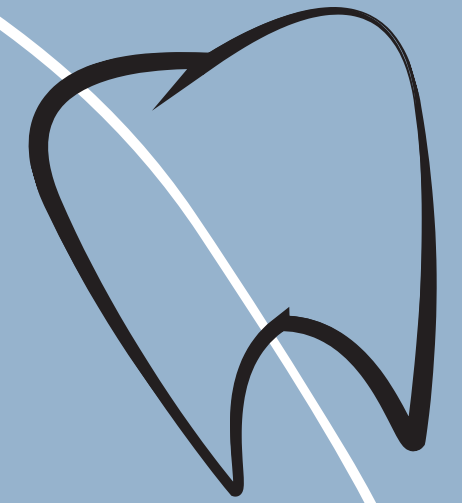
Office Hours

- Stop by and meet the exec!
 - Help with class schedules, dental questions, or just to chat!
- Incredibly helpful resource
- CUBBY #32 is on the fourth floor of the Student Activity Center, on the far side (overlooks Gordon's lawn)
- Will get 1 point for attending



<i>Pre-Dental Society</i>	
<i>Fall 2026 Office Hours</i>	
<i>SAC cubby #32</i>	
M	Mia 10-11am Josh 12-1pm Ella 2:30-3:30pm Mari 3:45-4:45pm
T	Elie 1-2pm Melika 2:30-3:30pm
W	Katelyn 10:30-11:30am Elsa 1-2pm Andy 2-3pm
R	Matthew 2-3pm
F	Lexi 12-1pm Hadley 1:15-2:15pm Courtland 4:30-5:30pm

Volunteering Events



- **Letters of Love cardmaking**
 - Monday, September 28 at 7pm, details on location coming soon
- **Science on the Square with Madison Children's Museum**
 - Thursday, October 15 at 4:30 and 6pm
 - There will be 2 shifts or 4-7 volunteers per shift
- **Trick or Treat on the Square with Madison Children's Museum**
 - Wednesday, October 28 from 5-8pm

You can also get a point for volunteering outside of the club!
Email Hadley (hpfrost@wisc.edu) or Elie (erauen@wisc.edu) with any questions!

Open Seat Food Pantry Sign up Link will be attached to email after this meeting

This is a great place to get in extra volunteering hours on campus, they are located in the student activity center

- sign up for quick 2 hour shifts!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B44AEA72CA3FFC70-61410241-theopen#/>

Madison Smile Initiative



MSI is a program where we:

- Give general presentations on oral health
- Lead interactive dental-related games & activities
- Distribute “goodie bags” w/basic dental supplies
- Interact w/ variety of individuals in Madison area at different after-school programs

Tentative MSI Date: October 23rd, ~4 PM @ Allied Learning Center

We will send out finalized info/sign-ups when they become available!

We are in the process of setting more locations & dates for MSI opportunities:
If you're interested, watch for more information on these events in the near future! ²³

Exposure Events



**Please submit
questions for Dr.
Wright here!**

**Admissions Counselor
Jerry McCombs**

6:00 PM on Wednesday, September 30th

**Orthodontist and Instructor @ MUSoD
Dr. Jane Wright**

7:00 PM on Wednesday, October 7th

**Admissions Counselor @ Marquette University
School of Dentistry, Tzivi Stern
7:00 PM on Monday, October 19th**



**Marquette one-on-one
meetings with Tzivi
Stern, Admissions
Counselor
(very few spots-first come
first serve!)**

Form due
October 9th



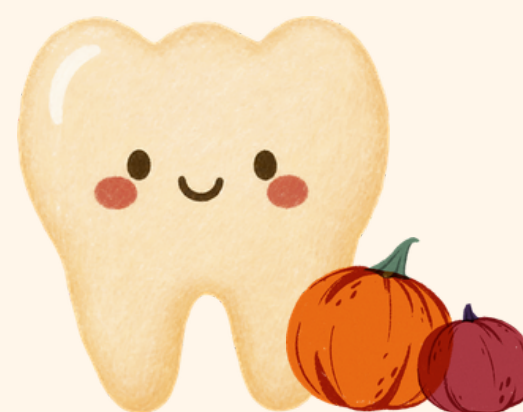
ASDA WAX & RELAX OCTOBER 16TH, 5-7PM

Marquette School of Dentistry-Sim Lab
1801 W Wisconsin Ave

Pizza Provided / FREE / Waxing Activity



Sign up here!



Transportation not provided

Mentor & Mentee Program



Social Events

- **Pizza in the Park** Monday, September 21, 5-7 pm @ James Madison Park
- **Sand Volleyball** Sunday, September 27th Time TBD @ Observatory volleyball courts
- **Fire Pit social** Thursday, October 8th 4:30 – 6:30 pm @ Dejope Fire Circle
- **Study Social** Sunday, October 25th Location TBD
- **Formal** Thursday, November 12, 6-8 pm @ Brats

Fundraising Events

- **Tag's:** September 22nd, all day
- **Canes:** October 20th, 4pm-8pm
- **Chipotle:** November 17th, 5pm-9pm
- **Apparel:** coming soon!!
- for all fundraisers email your receipt to **aridenour@wisc.edu**
- make sure you tell them you are here for PDS!!!

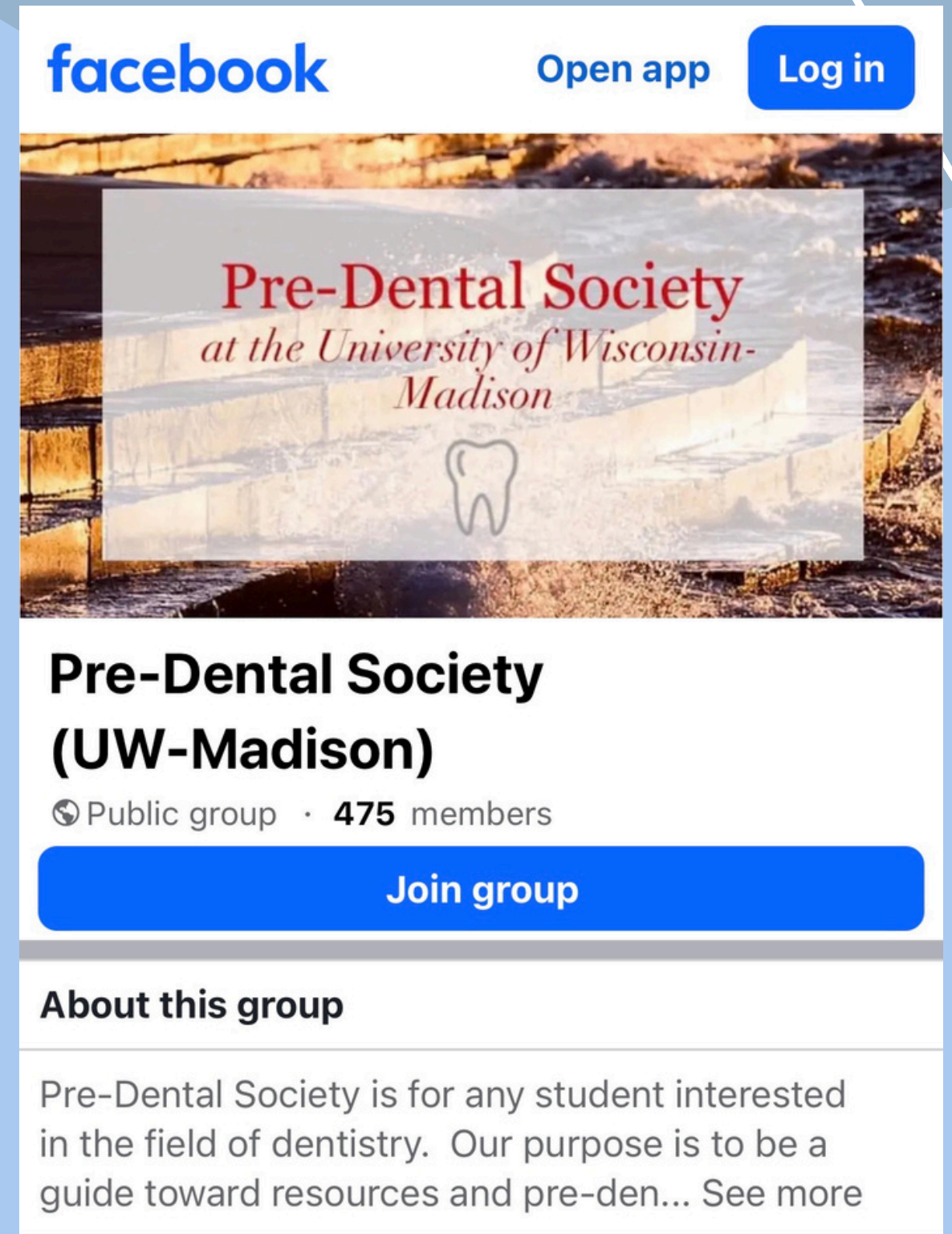
Follow us on socials!



Instagram

@predentalsocietyuw

- updates on PDS events
- giveaways
- pre-dental events at dental schools



Global Dental Brigades BELIZE 2027

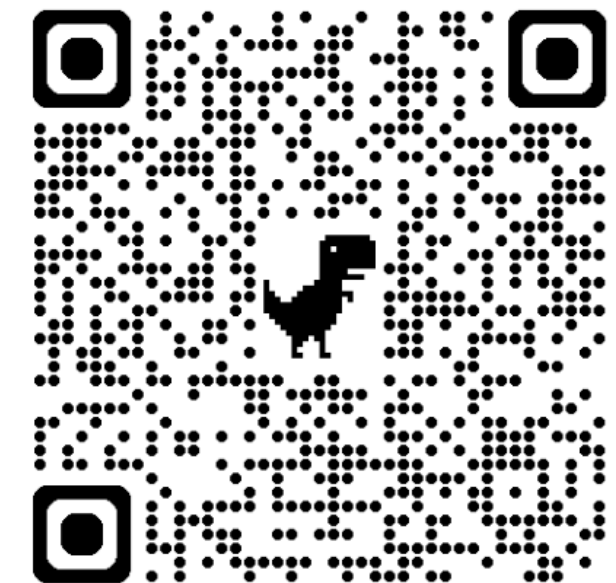
- **January 10-16th 2027**
- Travel to Belize with other Pre-Dental Students
- Volunteer experience
- Shadow licensed dentists, support patient care
- Help provide essential dental services to communities with limited access to healthcare
- Sustainable impact



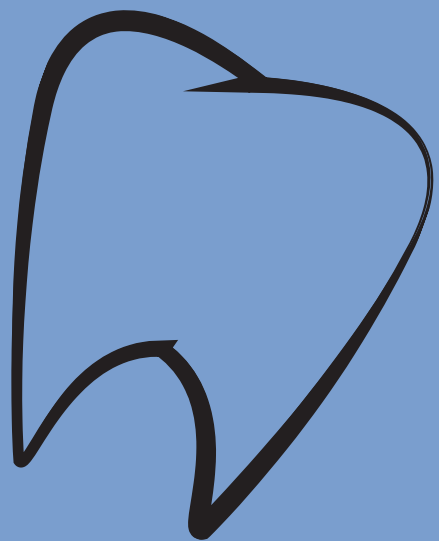
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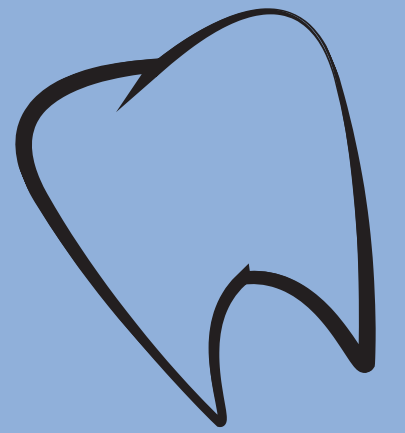
INTEREST FORM



Yearly Timeline

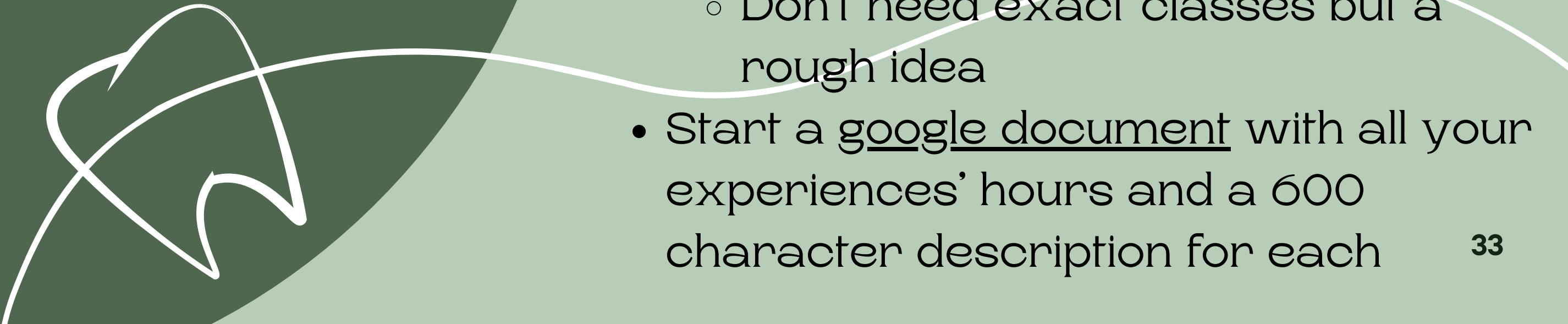


Side Notes



- Everyone has their own unique journey to dental school; there is no correct pathway
- If you are taking a gap year, your timelines for dental experiences, shadowing etc will look different. The DAT and application steps may be a year later
- This 4-year timeline is suggestive – do what makes the most sense for you!
- It is never too late to start
 - If you have not completed points made on the slides, and would like to do so, start now!

Freshman Year

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- Join clubs; including those unrelated to dentistry
- Try to find 1 (or more) consistent volunteer position
- Get involved in research (if it interests you)
- Look for dental shadowing/experience opportunities
- Classes to take:
 - Chem 103/104
 - Math/Psychology/English/GenEds
 - Maybe Bio 151/152
- Draft your 4-year plan
 - Don't need exact classes but a rough idea
- Start a google document with all your experiences' hours and a 600 character description for each

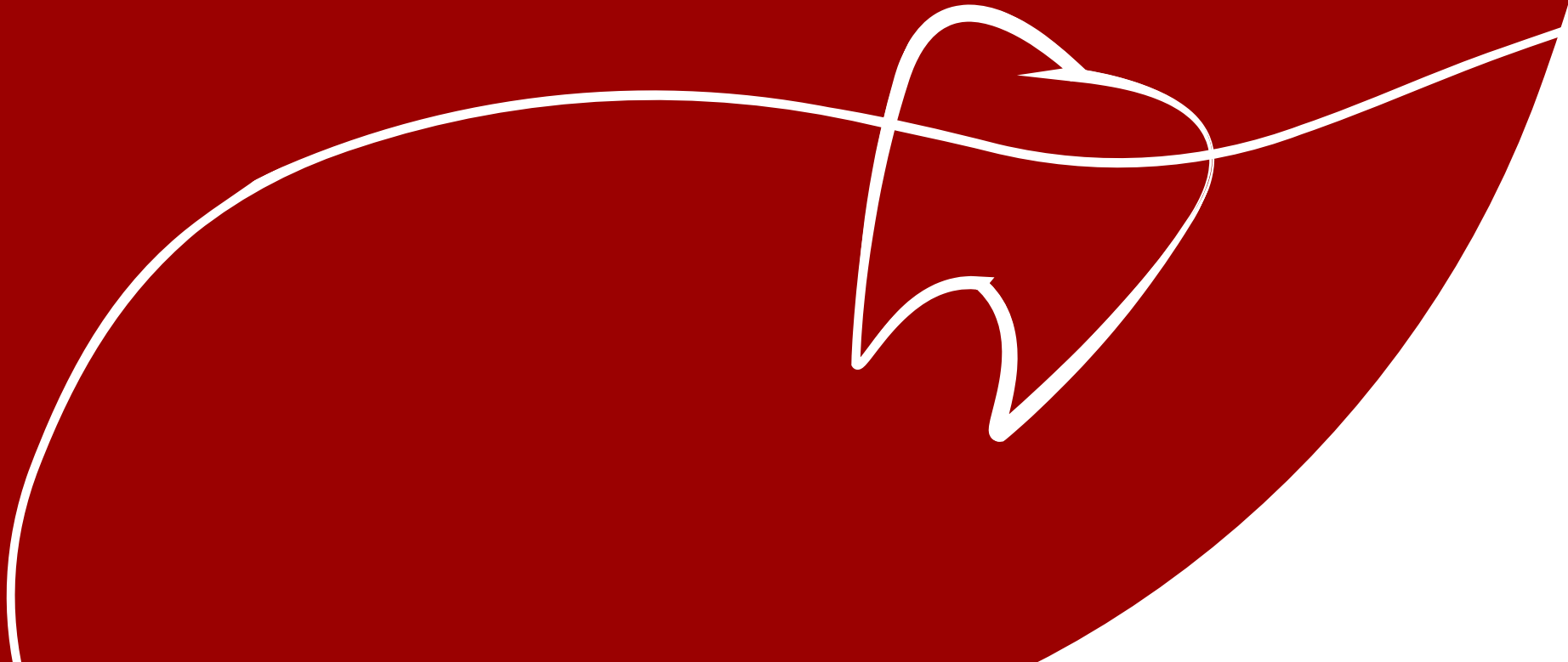
Sophomore Year

- Seek out leadership opportunities
 - Board member in clubs
 - Tutoring
 - Volunteering
- Attend Pre-Dental Day, ASDA, SNDA, Open-House, or ADEA events.
- Classes to Take:
 - Bio 151/152
 - Chem 343/344/345
 - Maybe biochem/microbio/physiology (helpful for DAT)
- LOR from professor during second semester
 - Very helpful to get one early
- Start shadowing dentists
 - Keep in mind you will also need a LOR from a dentist
- In Summer:
 - Take DAT if done w/ chem, bio, and ochem
 - O Chem bootcamp for lab (344)

Junior Year

- Seek out Leadership roles
- Classes to take:
 - Maybe Physics (103&104 or 207&208)
 - Other science classes (Microbio, Biochem, Anat/Phys, etc.)
- Find science professors for LOR (need 2 total, sometimes 3 depending on school)
 - Go to office hours
 - Ask questions during/after lecture
- During winter break
 - Take DAT if not already done, or retake DAT if necessary
 - O CHEM bootcamp offered
 - Draft personal statement
- Towards end of school year or beginning of summer
 - Determine schools you will apply to
 - Finalize experience descriptions
 - Confirm LOR are completed
- Before early June (depends when you want to submit):
 - Input transcript(s)/experiences
 - Request LOR through AADSAS
 - Submit supplementals

Senior Year



- Take Physics if you haven't already
- Take classes that are recommended by schools (immunology, anatomy, microbio, cell biology, etc.)
 - Helps prepare you for classes you will take in dental school
- Continue your experiences
- Interviews!
 - Look on SDN to help prepare
- December 15th is the earliest you can be accepted
- Relax :)



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FOR ALL MEMBERS**

CODE: WISCpds27

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FOR ONE LUCKY GIVEAWAY
WINNER**

Upcoming Events

****through the end of September****

- **Pizza in the Park Social:** Monday, September 21st, 5-7 PM @ James Madison Park
- **Tag's fundraiser:** September 22nd, all day
- **Sand Volleyball:** Sunday, September 27th Time TBD @ Observatory volleyball courts
- **Letters of Love cardmaking:** Monday, September 28 at 7pm
- **Zoom w/ admissions counselor Jerry McCombs:** Wednesday, September 30th at 6:00 PM

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Any
Questions?