

# Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

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The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery combines clinical and didactic training to fit the individual interests, abilities, and development of residents. Its training program for predoctoral students is based in the College of Dentistry, with some clinical assignments in the oral and maxillofacial surgery division at University of Iowa Health Care. Its certificate program is based primarily in the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency program at UI Health Care.

## DDS Student Training

The Doctor of Dental Surgery curriculum in oral and maxillofacial surgery is designed to develop a foundation of professional knowledge and surgical skills that will enable students to diagnose and manage surgical problems related to general dentistry practice. The program emphasizes high ethical standards and the development of good surgical concepts and judgment.

The clinical portion of the curriculum allows students to develop surgical skills and apply the theoretical knowledge acquired in didactic courses. Theory and application of anesthesia-analgesia, intravenous sedation, and nitrous oxide analgesia techniques are presented through didactic and clinical experiences.