Oral Science

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**Graduate degrees:** M.S. in oral science; Ph.D. in oral science

**Faculty:** [https://dentistry.uiowa.edu/directory](https://dentistry.uiowa.edu/directory)

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Graduate programs in oral science require that students complete courses from a core curriculum and conduct independent research leading to a thesis. The programs prepare graduates for a variety of career options. They are intended to equip graduates for a variety of career options for which the ability to conduct research or understand the principles of scientific inquiry are essential.

Students must enroll in a professional certificate program offered by a College of Dentistry department in order to enroll in the Master of Science program in oral science. The following departments offer their certificate students the opportunity to earn M.S. degrees in oral science: endodontics, prosthodontics, operative dentistry, periodontics, and oral pathology, radiology, and medicine.