Q. What are the admission requirements for Griffith’s undergraduate Oral Health Therapy and Dental Science programs?
A. 1. Apply to sit the ISAT test or UMAT test.
2. Based on your ISAT or UMAT score and meeting of English language requirements, Griffith University will select candidates to attend an interview.
3. Apply for a place with Griffith International Office (www.griffith.edu.au/international) by 30th September 2009 for the application to be considered for semester 1, 2010. NO late applications will be accepted by, and preferences cannot be changed, after 30th September 2009.

Note: Applicants should also note that academic records must be received by 15th December 2009. Applicants who are unable to provide academic records by this date will need to apply for entry the following year.

Q. Do I have to sit the ISAT (International Students Admission Test) or UMAT (Undergraduate Medical and Health Sciences Admissions Test) and how do I register?
A. Yes. International applicants are required to sit either ISAT OR UMAT. ISAT is conducted by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER). ISAT is a three hour multiple-choice test. It aims to assess candidates’ Critical and Quantitative Reasoning skills. More information on the test is available on the ACER website at www.acer.edu.au/isat

ISAT test is held in over 70 centres around the world on all continents. There are up to 10 available test dates at most centres between March and October (note: to make an application for entry to a Griffith oral health undergraduate program ISAT will need to have been sat before September in order to submit ISAT result to Griffith International Office by 30th September 2009). Register online or contact ACER for further information www.acer.edu.au/isat

Register with ACER (Australian Council for Educational Research) online to sit the UMAT test. UMAT is available in Australia, the UK (London) and Singapore only. Register online http://umatweb.acer.edu.au/ ACER contact details – umat@acer.edu.au

UMAT registrations open in April 2009
UMAT Registration Fee (on time registration) is $160.00
UMAT test date: Wednesday 29 July 2009.

Q. How long are my ISAT or UMAT test results valid for and what are the test cut-offs?
A. Test results are valid two years. If a candidate attempts the test more than once over two years, Griffith will use the higher of the two total scores. ISAT/UMAT cut-offs are not released as they change each year, being dependent on numerous factors such as the number of program places available and the number of applicants and their scores.

Q. How do I advise Griffith University of my ISAT or UMAT score?
A. It is advised that you supply Griffith International Office with a copy of your ISAT or UMAT score.

Q. Are there any prerequisite requirements for entry?
A. Yes. English Language Requirements apply to international applicants and other applicants whose previous study was undertaken in a language other than English. The minimum English language proficiency requirements for such applicants to be eligible for entry into an oral health program is as follows:

- A minimum overall band score of 7.0 on IELTS (International English Language Testing System) with no sub-score of less than 6.5; or
- A minimum score of 580 on TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language); or
- A computerized TOEFL score of 237; or
- An internet-based (iBT) TOEFL score of 92 (no individual score less than 22); or
- No score less than 3+ in each skill of the ISLPR (International Second Language Proficiency Rating).

Note: English test results must be no more than two years old.

Students must also have completed a course in one of Biological Science, Chemistry, Physics, or Maths B, or equivalent.
Q. How do I obtain an invitation to interview and when are the interviews held?
A. Selection of applicants for interview will be made on the basis of the ISAT or UMAT score. In addition to ISAT or UMAT, demonstration of English language proficiency is required before you will be invited to an interview. The interviews will be conducted 30th November – 11th December in 2009, in person at the Gold Coast or by telephone. When by telephone they must be conducted in a Griffith University agent’s office. The interview letter (emailed out mid-November) will advise candidates of the specific date/location of their interview for attendance in person. Offers will be made to successful applicants by the Griffith International Office following the interview.

Q. Is it necessary to pass my interview?
A. Yes. Interviews will be graded and an overall pass or fail awarded. Only those who pass the interview will be eligible to receive an offer into an oral health program. Griffith will NOT be able to inform applicants of their interview grade.

Q. How is the final Selection made?
A. Provided that you are invited to interview and pass, final selection into Oral Health Therapy or Dental Science programs is based on pre-requisites being met and your academic qualification which will be ranked and combined to secondary criteria (ISAT or UMAT score weighted at 50% and interview score weighted at 50%). A sliding scale and preferences will be used to offer places in Dentistry and Oral Health Therapy.

Please note that academic records must be received by 15th December 2009. Applicants who are unable to provide academic records by this date will need to apply for entry for the following year.

Griffith University will not be in a position to provide advice on the outcome of your application prior to the release of offers. If you require any further information about the outcome of your application, please do not hesitate to contact Griffith International Office or the School of Dentistry and Oral Health after offers are released.

Q. When are offers made?
A. Offers may be made mid to late December and may extend into January.

Q. How much is tuition?
A. Please refer to http://www.griffith.edu.au/tuition-fees-charges

Q. How many places are available in these undergraduate programs?
A. Bachelor of Oral Health in Dental Science – 5 places
   Bachelor of Oral Health in Oral Health Therapy – 5 places

Q. Is Dental Science split into two degrees?
A. Yes. It consists of a 3-year undergraduate Bachelor of Oral Health in Dental Science, which, upon successful completion gives automatic entry (upon completion of an application) into a 2-year Graduate Diploma of Dentistry. It is only upon successful completion of both degrees that graduates will be eligible to apply for registration as a Dentist with all the Dental Boards in Australia. The Graduate Diploma of Dentistry is only open to those students who have successfully completed the Bachelor of Oral Health in Dental Science at Griffith University.

Q. Can I defer my place after accepting an offer?
A. No, deferment is not available.

Q. Can I transfer between oral health programs/health programs at Griffith University or from another University?
A. No. Transferring into an oral health program from another Griffith University program is not available. Transferring into an oral health program from another institution is not available. Transferring between Griffith oral health programs is not available. To enter a Griffith University Oral Health program all admission procedures must be met.

Q. Are there any other admission requirements that must be met?
A. Admission to this program is subject to immunisations and criminal checks.

For further information regarding admission procedures and entry requirements please visit the School of Dentistry and Oral Health website: www.griffith.edu.au/school/doh
or email the school at: doh@griffith.edu.au