Program Description

The Department of Oral Biology, a unit of the College of Dentistry, offers graduate study leading to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy as part of the College of Medicine’s Interdisciplinary Program (IDP) in Biomedical Sciences. The work is designed to provide the degree candidate with a strong background in basic biological principles relevant to the various subspecialties of oral biology, as well as specialized training in various aspects of the diseases and disorders of the oral cavity. Areas of emphasis include application of microbiological, immunological, cellular, and molecular biological concepts and technologies to answer questions about host-pathogen interactions in oral disease; vaccine development; oral microbial physiology; oral bacterial biofilm biology; saliva and salivary gland biology; microbial antibiotic resistance; oral cancer; and autoimmune diseases. More information is available at http://dental.ufl.edu/departments/oral-biology/.

Prerequisites for admission in addition to those of the Graduate School include a broad base of courses in mathematics, physics, organic and analytic chemistry, advanced biology, biochemistry, molecular biology, and statistical methods. Specific requirements can be obtained from the IDP office at http://idp.med.ufl.edu/admissions/.

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