

SUMMER STUDENT PRACTITIONER PROGRAM

Bring Another to Practice

The Summer Student Practitioner Program (SSPP) allows incoming fourth-year students to practice dentistry within approved competencies for up to seven weeks in any city across BC. Students receive a temporary license and are paired with a practicing dentist, allowing them to experience the day-to-day operation and management of a dental practice. The SSPP encourages students to explore dentistry beyond Metro Vancouver, specifically in more rural BC communities.

Four major donors—Pacific Dental Conference Trust, CDSPI, Synergy Business Lawyers and Scotiabank Healthcare+—provide summer travel and accommodation expenses for students with placements outside of Metro Vancouver.

The success of the SSPP lies in the dentist's valuable onsite mentorship and support, helping students enter clinical practice and establishing a successful foundation for their final year at UBC.

RELIEVE YOUR BACKLOG

Students can perform a wide range of patient services under the dentist's supervision, including examinations, endodontic and operative procedures and more.

TEST RUN AN ASSOCIATE

The SSPP is a great way to introduce a student to your community and attract new graduates to all areas of BC. If you are considering retirement, your practice could be an ideal purchase for a recent graduate and a perfect way to continue providing dental care to your community.

BE PART OF THE LEARNING

Students bring their learning from UBC to your practice, helping you stay up-to-date on your knowledge and best practices.

Explore the opportunity to have a student at your practice this summer!

Learn more at dentistry.ubc.ca/sspp



"All of my placements gave me the opportunity to learn about time management and patient communication, as well as hands-on skills. Getting in the repetitions and having one-on-one mentorship is so beneficial. I gained so much confidence by participating in this program."

—GRACE MOORE, DMD 2023



"There were tips and tricks that took me years to learn on the job that I could share, which I think was really valuable. Having a young mind around was also motivational for me, and I learned a few things. I graduated 12 years ago, so there's always something new to learn."

—KENNETH CHOI, DMD 2010, SPARWOOD DENTAL CLINIC

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