Penn Dental Medicine is launching a new graduate degree program – Master of Advanced Dental Studies (MADS).

PROGRAM OVERVIEW
The MADS program offers advanced training in dental specialties through a carefully designed hybrid program that includes an interactive (synchronous and asynchronous) online platform as well as on-campus clinical rotations. Directed to both domestic and international dentists, MADS is designed for clinicians who wish to enhance their knowledge in a clinical discipline or improve their qualifications when applying to U.S. residency programs. The program also serves international dentists with U.S. specialty degrees whose home country requires a Master’s degree for recognition of the specialty or U.S. graduates of specialty programs who wish to refresh their knowledge in their field through a structured program.

The MADS program is unique among U.S. dental schools, allowing dentists to pursue professional enrichment to enhance their career while providing the flexibility to do so while continuing their dental practice or training. Participants will learn to operate in an integrated healthcare system, communicate effectively with multiple clinical disciplines and develop targeted preventive and therapeutic strategies which are supported by evidence. Applicants are required to have a dental degree (BDS, DDS, DMD or equivalent).

PROGRAM STRUCTURE
The MADS is a one-year program (September-August) consisting of both synchronous and asynchronous online courses as well as in-person clinical rotations. In the clinical rotations, students work with specialty program residents to review cases, develop diagnosis and treatment planning, and assist in various clinical procedures. At the end of the clinical rotations, the students will be required to present comprehensive case reports demonstrating the synthesis of relevant literature for diagnoses and treatment planning. Each student is assigned a mentor within their specialty with whom they video chat monthly to monitor progress and assess individual needs. Students can pursue a MADS in the following specialty areas:

- Endodontics
- Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
- Oral Medicine
- Orthodontics
- Pedodontics
- Periodontics
- Prosthodontics

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