Pre-Dentistry January Interim Career Exploration Opportunity

January Interim 2016 Application

This learning opportunity is designed specifically for Gustavus students to follow and observe the patient/provider relationship and subsequent interactions, diagnostics and treatment. During an observation experience, the student will not touch, diagnose, treat, or otherwise participate in patient care. **The experience is observation only.**

If you are interested in the dentistry field, this Pre-Dentistry Career Exploration is a unique opportunity to spend 30+ hours per week in a variety of dental settings for the January Interim Term. Gustavus has partnered with four local sites to offer this exclusive opportunity for selected Gustavus students.

This learning opportunity is designed specifically for Gustavus students to observe a variety of dental professionals. Below offers a listing of the rotation areas available. **If selected, please familiarize yourself with the sites and locations.**

**Anderson Orthodontics**, [www.andersonbracesmn.com](http://www.andersonbracesmn.com)
302 Valley Green Square, Le Sueur, MN and 202 Walnut Street, St Peter, MN

304 Belle Avenue, Mankato, MN

**St. Peter Family Dental**, [www.stpeterfamilydentalcenter.com](http://www.stpeterfamilydentalcenter.com)
402 Sunrise Drive, Saint Peter, MN

1302 Marshall St., St. Peter, MN

**Requirements:**
1. Cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0

2. Sophomore, junior or senior standing, sophomores are particularly encouraged to apply.

3. Good standing with the College and not on any type of College probation.

4. Completed application and one-page statement submitted by, **Wednesday, October 14, 2015**

5. If selected complete the Interim Career Exploration registration form for academic credit. The **Interim 2015 Term: Monday, January 4- Friday, January 29**. You will be at three of the sites Monday-Thursday from approximately 8am-5pm, and one site Tuesday- Friday from approximately 8am-5pm. These dates and times are set and are not flexible or negotiable; it is important that you understand the commitment when applying for this opportunity. Some Friday morning sessions will be added to the calendar for group reflection, exact dates and times TBA.

6. You will be responsible for your own transportation.
Anderson Orthodontics, www.andersonbracesmn.com
Dr. Jason Anderson strives to provide the highest quality of orthodontic care to our patients in and around the Le Sueur, Belle Plaine, St. Peter, Arlington, Jordan and Montgomery, Minnesota areas. We know what a significant difference in health and self-esteem a beautiful smile can make, which is why we are dedicated to giving each of our patients the beautiful, straight smile they deserve!

As oral and maxillofacial surgeons, our doctors manage a wide variety of problems relating to the mouth, teeth and facial regions. We practice a full scope of oral and maxillofacial surgery with expertise ranging from dental implant surgery and wisdom tooth removal to corrective jaw surgery. This also includes techniques designed to rebuild bone structure with minimal surgical intervention and optimal patient comfort. We can also diagnose and treat facial pain, facial injuries, and fractures.

St. Peter Family Dental, www.stpeterfamilydentalcenter.com
Mission Statement: At St. Peter Family Dental Center your comfort is truly our number one concern. We strive to provide state of the art dentistry in the most comfortable and safe environment possible. Our staff pays close attention to detail and treats each patient with respect. We are here to make sure you leave our office smiling.

Valley View Dental, http://jennymillerdds.com/
Welcome to Valley View Dental in St. Peter, Minnesota. We are a family dental practice that offers a wide variety of dental services, including sleep apnea treatment and implant dentistry. While in our office, you will notice that above all, we prioritize your comfort. Our exam rooms are equipped with state of the art technology to provide the most accurate diagnosis and gentle treatment. Upon early arrival, relax in your very own massage chair. We also invite you to enjoy a beverage provided in our welcoming waiting area.
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Name: ___________________________ Student ID: ___________________________

Phone: __________________________ Email: ___________________________

Cumulative GPA: __________________________ Major: __________________________

You are currently: __________________________ sophomore __________________________ junior __________________________ senior __________________________

Are you on any type of College probation at this time? YES or NO

Do you have your own transportation? *Carpooling may be available YES or NO

Previous experience in Dental Care: (check all that apply)

______ Volunteer ______ Shadowing ______ Informational interview

______Other, please briefly explain:

Academic reference contact information of a Gustavus faculty member:

Name: __________________________ Email: __________________________

Your academic reference listed should be able to speak to your reliability, level of contribution, professionalism and ability to communicate and interact effectively with others.

Attach to this application:

1. Unofficial copy of your transcript; if transfer credits earned are not reflected on the Gustavus transcript, include a copy of the transcript from your previous institution.

2. A one-page statement addressing the following:

   • Why are you interested in this opportunity?

   • What past experience or personal qualities make you a strong candidate?

This is a competitive program for four selected Gustavus students; these professional, curious, and motivated students will be representing Gustavus at our premier local dental sites. If you have questions or need additional information please contact Heather Banks, Health Professions Coordinator, hbanks@gustavus.edu