

Council of Interstate Testing Agencies, Inc.
Dental Candidate Qualification Form

Candidates are responsible for meeting all of the ADEX Dental Licensure exam application requirements. By signing below, candidates confirm they meet the requirements of at least one of the following qualifying category statements at the time they take the exam. CITA is not responsible for assuring that Candidates are qualified or meet application or licensure requirements.

Candidates understand and swear that if at any time they no longer meet the requirements to take the ADEX Dental Licensure exam, candidates have an ethical obligation to suspend their testing cycle until they are able to meet one of the testing requirements. CITA will report all discrepancies to CITA member states as well as other testing agencies.

Qualifying Category
(Initial only one)

- I. Candidates who are enrolled in a CODA or CDAC accredited undergraduate dental program and have approval from their school liaison to begin their ADEX Dental Licensure exam during their D3 (junior) and/or D4 (senior) year. D3 students may only take the manikin and DSE parts. D4 students may take all parts of the licensure exam.

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Signature is required if the candidate is a D3 or D4 student and approved to begin the ADEX Dental Licensure exam:

Dental School: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Designated School Signature: _____

- II. Candidates who have graduated from a CODA or CDAC accredited undergraduate dental program may take the ADEX Dental Licensure exam. These candidates may take all parts of the licensure exam. Verification of graduation from a CODA or CDAC accredited undergraduate dental program is required (I.E. diploma, unofficial transcript, letter from the registrar's office) if this is the candidate's initial qualifying category.

INITIAL if APPLIES

- III. Candidates who are international dentists are required to obtain a letter from a State Dental Licensing Board which states that they would qualify for a dental license in that state and they authorize them to take the ADEX Dental Licensure exam. This letter must be mailed directly to the CITA office. See the *Registration and Administrative Guideline Manual* for complete details concerning International dental graduate qualifications.

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I, _____, acknowledge and swear that I qualify under one of the above listed categories to take the ADEX Dental Licensure exam and am reporting my ADEX Dental Licensure Exam history below. The signature from a school (if required) only reflects my standing with that school at the time of signature. I have read the *Registration and Administrative Guidelines Manual* and understand the application process, refund policy, 18 month, and three-time failure rules. Failure to register for the correct exam parts may result in an administrative fee of \$200 for any changes made after initial payment has been made.

Exam History

- I have not taken any part of the ADEX Dental Licensure exam through any other testing agency.
- I have begun my ADEX exam through another testing agency and plan to retake one or more parts of the ADEX exam through CITA.

CITA reserves the right to deny admission to its examination, in CITA's sole discretion, should it have any concern regarding a candidate's mental, physical, or emotional well-being, or questions regarding a candidate's preparedness or educational training to the extent that the candidate may endanger patients engaged in the examination process. By signing this application, I consent to CITA providing to all its member states, ADEX and other testing agencies information about me, including my exam results, any discrepancies, alleged exam misconduct and other pertinent information.

NOTARY

Candidate Signature

Date

State of _____ County of _____

The statements on this document are subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires

Note to International Candidates:

International candidates (other than a Canadian graduate) are required to obtain a letter from a State Dental Licensing Board which states that they would qualify for a dental license in that state and they may therefore take the ADEX Dental Licensure exam. This letter must be mailed directly to the CITA office from the State Dental Licensing Board.

Candidates will upload their Candidate Application Form to the “Proof of Graduation” area in their CITA online profile. CITA will combine their Candidate Application Form and State Board Letter into one file and email it to them along with additional directions on how to add it to their profile for verification.

Additional information about applying as an International Candidate:

Graduates of Canadian dental schools and dental hygiene programs (accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada) have the same eligibility for licensure and regional licensure examinations as United States graduates. These candidates will receive “ADEX Status” after the completion of all parts of their exam.

Graduates of all other international dental and dental hygiene programs are not eligible to take the regional dental and dental hygiene licensure examinations. This applies even if the candidate has earned a subsequent specialty degree or higher level certificate at a U.S. school. This is because licensure in the United States is a state by state responsibility and the states generally base eligibility on the candidate’s entry level dental or dental hygiene degree and not on higher level certificates.

However, each state has the right to authorize an international candidate to take an examination (fully equivalent to the regional examination) for potential licensure in that state alone. As each state has different requirements, any international candidate must apply separately to each state when he/she wishes to obtain a license.

In order for an international candidate (other than a Canadian graduate) to take a dental or dental hygiene licensure examination administered by CITA, he/she needs to contact the state where he/she wishes to practice and have that state officially notify CITA that this individual is authorized to take the licensure examination for that state. As a result, the grades for the examination will only be sent to that state. They will NOT receive ADEX Status when they have completed all parts of the exam.