

# ABOUT US

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The University of Texas School Dentistry at Houston (UTSD) has set the standard for oral health excellence since 1905 as the first dental school in Texas and the oldest professional school in Houston. Since then, thousands of dentists, dental hygienists, and dental specialists have been educated at UTSD, whose mission is “to improve human health by providing high-quality education, patient care, and research in oral health for Texas, the nation, and the world.”

The school was founded as the privately-owned Texas Dental College and joined The University of Texas System in 1943. 1955-2011, the school was known as “UT Dental Branch,” but the name “School of Dentistry” was restored in June 2011. The school is part of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth Houston).