Mayo Clinic offers a 2-4 week externship in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. The externship program is designed for junior and senior dental students that desire additional training in oral surgery and exposure to outpatient and hospital-oriented oral and maxillofacial surgical care. For students inclined towards oral and maxillofacial surgery as a career, the externship provides an excellent opportunity for students to participate within the framework of the residency training program. Externs will be supervised by the OMS faculty and residents. No financial compensation is provided.

**Educational Objectives and Requirements:**
- To learn the scope of OMS
- To obtain experience in management of the hospitalized patient
- To obtain experience in ambulatory dentoalveolar surgery
- To obtain experience in the evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment planning of OMS diseases and conditions
- To have the opportunity to evaluate the OMS residency program at Mayo Clinic

**Requirements:**
- Junior/Senior in dental school
- Class rank in the top 15 percent
- Availability of 2 – 4 weeks (1 week may be considered)
- Completion of application through Mayo Clinic Graduate Medical Education (www.mayo.edu/clerkships/)
- Enrolled in a dental school at the time of the externship
- Official copy of dental school transcripts
- We will require a dean’s letter confirming academic good standing
- We will require a letter from an Oral and Maxillofacial surgeon confirming clinical competency.
- No application fee

In general, externships begin on a Monday morning at 8 a.m., checking in with the visiting medical student coordinator, Linda McConahey, MSGME, on Siebens 5 for orientation. No more than one extern will be scheduled at one time on a first-come, first-served basis, depending on qualifications. Summer months and winter break are the most requested times to do externships, so please plan ahead if interested in coming during that time.

Arrangements for room and board must be made by the extern. Moderately priced short-term housing can be found at the Kahler Hotel or Second Street Commons. To make reservations at the Kahler hotel, call 800-533-1655 or 507-282-2581. To make reservations at the Second Street Commons, call 507-285-5082. When making reservations, please indicate that you are a visiting dental student at Mayo Clinic in order to get the special room rates. For other helpful information on lodging, visit the following website: [www.rochestermn.com](http://www.rochestermn.com).

More information about applying can be found on the visiting clerkships website: [http://www.mayo.edu/clerkships/](http://www.mayo.edu/clerkships/). For more information on the OMS program, contact the education coordinator, Marlene Young, at 507-284-4531.