

1 **Resolution Number:** 304-2025

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3 **Title:** Amendment to the Bylaws Article III, Section 1.B Predental Membership

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5 **Reference Committee Assignment:** Membership

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7 **Sponsor(s):** Max Prince, 2024-25 Predental Task Force Chair, 2024-25 Council on Membership
8 Associate, Boston, alternate delegate

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10 **Financial Impact:** None

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12 **Board of Trustees Comments:** The Board recommends a yes vote.

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14 **Reference Committee Comments:**

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16 **Background:** Per article III, section 1.B of the bylaws, predental membership is available to a
17 person seeking enrollment in a predoctoral program accredited by the Commission on Dental
18 Accreditation, who resides within the United States and its territories and who is not eligible for
19 predoctoral membership.

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21 The Predental Membership Task Force is recommending that the following language be
22 removed from the bylaws: who resides within the United States and its territories

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24 This will allow predental members from other countries to access the information and
25 membership benefits, specifically the Guide to Getting Into Dental School, that is available to all
26 predental members; therefore, be it

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28 **RESOLUTION**

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30 **Resolved,** that Article III, Section 1.B of the Bylaws be amended as follows:

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32 ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

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34 Section 1. Categories

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36 A. Predoctoral Membership

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38 Predoctoral membership is available to a dental student enrolled in a predoctoral program
39 accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation, beginning with the first full membership
40 year following enrollment in dental school. Upon graduation, a predoctoral member maintains
41 membership status until the end of the membership year.

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43 B. Predental Membership

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45 Predental membership is available to a person seeking enrollment in a predoctoral program
46 accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation, ~~who resides within the United States~~
47 ~~and its territories~~ and who is not eligible for predoctoral membership. Upon enrollment into
48 dental school, a predental member maintains membership status until the end of the
49 membership year.

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51 C. International Dental Student Membership

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53 International dental student membership is available to dental students currently enrolled in a
54 dental school outside the United States and its territories that is listed in the World Directory of
55 Dental Schools compiled by the FDI World Federation.

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57 **Action:**