



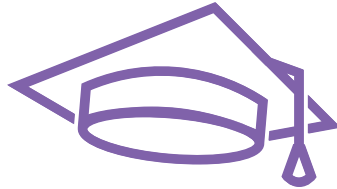
Convocation

Honoring the Classes of 2024



**THE OHIO STATE
UNIVERSITY**

COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY



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May 3, 2024



1:00 p.m.



Mershon Auditorium
Columbus, Ohio

A Special Occasion for the Recognition of Excellence
Dean Carroll Ann Trotman, BDS, MA, MS, presiding



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Program

Processional	“Pomp and Circumstance” by Edward Elgar
National Anthem	Greg Dowse, Dental Class of 2024
Welcome and Introductions	Carroll Ann Trotman, BDS, MA, MS, Dean
	Dignitaries Manish Chopra, DDS, President, Ohio Dental Association Barbara Hickey, President, Ohio Dental Assistants Association Timothy Kyger, DDS, President, Ohio State Dental Board Deborah Stevens, RDH, Past President and Ohio Dental Hygienists’ Association Speaker of the House
Class Acknowledgements	Storm Mohn, President, Dental Class of 2024 Areeba Tanvir, President, Dental Hygiene Class of 2024
Greetings from the OSU Dental Alumni Society	Kelly Divito, BSDH, MS, RDH, President, Dental Alumni Society
Awarding of Division of Dental Hygiene Certificates and Honors	Margo Coates, MEd, Assistant Director, Division of Dental Hygiene
Hooding of Post-Doctoral Candidates	General Practice Residency and Periodontics Lisa Knobloch, DDS, MS <i>Hooded by Mark Wenzel, DDS and Robert Seghi, DDS, MS</i> Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and Periodontics Guo-Liang Cheng, DDS <i>Hooded by Shaun Rotenberg, DDS</i>
Hooding of PhD Candidates	Michelle Beverly <i>Hooded by Purnima Kumar, BDS, PhD</i> Kazune Pax <i>Hooded by Purnima Kumar, BDS, PhD</i>
Hooding of Dental Candidates and Awarding of Certificates and Honors	Carroll Ann Trotman, BDS, MA, MS, Dean Darryl T. Hamamoto, DDS, MS, PhD, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
Honored Hooders	Robert Gardner, DDS Mark Morrison, DDS Leonardo Nassani, DMD, MBA James Stone, DDS
The Dental Hygiene Oath (Page 20)	Erica Culp, Dental Hygiene Class of 2024
The Dentist’s Pledge (Page 21)	Trevor Cubra, President, Student Government Association, 2024
SGA Acknowledgements	Trevor Cubra, President, Student Government Association, 2024
Carmen Ohio (Page 22)	Ryan Burkhart, Dental Class of 2024
Closing	Carroll Ann Trotman, BDS, MA, MS

*Recessional (Audience please rise and remain standing until students and faculty have completely exited the auditorium.)
Reception - Mershon Auditorium lawn - Everyone is welcome.*

The Academic Costume

The colorful ceremonies of The Ohio State University commencements derive from practices originating in the Middle Ages. When European universities were taking form in the 12th and 13th centuries, the scholars were usually clerics, and consequently they adopted costumes similar to those of their monastic orders. Cold halls and drafty buildings called for caps and floor-length capes with attached hoods, and the sobering influence of the church probably influenced the staid character of the caps and gowns.

As the control of the universities gradually passed from the church, some aspects of the costumes took on brighter hues. Old prints and engravings, however, reveal a strong similarity between the regalia worn in early universities and that of the present day.

Academic costume has been in use in the United States since colonial times. To establish a standard of uniformity in regard to the practice, an intercollegiate commission was formed to prepare a code for caps, gowns and hoods that has since been adopted by all academic institutions.

Originally round, the shape of the cap is now the familiar mortarboard square – a shape which, according to ballad folklore, resembles a scholar’s book. Legend also has it that the privilege of wearing a cap was the initial right of a freed Roman slave; the academic cap, therefore, has become a sign of the freedom of scholarship. The flowing gown has become symbolic of the democracy of scholarship, for it covers any dress that might indicate rank or social status. The hood, reserved at The Ohio State University for those receiving doctoral and master’s degrees, not only indicates the type of degree, but also is lined with the official colors of the university.

THE GOWN

Bachelor: The Bachelor gown is black, full cut with long pointed sleeves

Doctor: The Ohio State University dentistry gown is black with lilac velvet panels on the front and three velvet bars on each sleeve.

HONORS EMBLEM

The Ohio State University honors emblem is a scarlet and gray tasseled braid worn over the gown. Students eligible for this curricular honor are those graduating summa cum laude, magna cum laude, and cum laude.

THE HOOD

Doctor: Four feet in length with a five-inch-wide velvet edging and panel at the sides.

The lining of all hoods, which is folded out, bears the official colors of the institution granting the degree. The lilac color of the velvet indicates the field of study.

CAP AND TASSEL

Candidates for degrees at The Ohio State University wear the black mortarboard with a tassel whose color is distinctive of the degree being received. The tassel color of the College of Dentistry is lilac.

Welcome from the Dean



Carroll Ann Trotman, BDS, MA, MS
Dean and Professor

Welcome to this Convocation Ceremony for The Ohio State University College of Dentistry. It is the moment we have all been waiting for!

This celebration represents a milestone in the lives of our students and their friends and family members. This is also the time when we recognize the many accomplishments of our graduating students, along with the contributions made by those who have helped them get to this point today.

To the family and friends of our graduates, you should know that your support, sacrifices, and encouragement have helped make this day possible. All of your efforts are appreciated.

To our graduates, let me say we have been honored by your presence and your talents, and we are grateful that you chose us for your education. I particularly want to thank each of you for your engagement and participation in our college community. Throughout your time with us, we have benefited from your fresh perspectives on many things and you have impacted the experiences of those who will follow you.

I am proud to see you here today, poised for the next step in your lives as dental professionals. You are beginning the careers that will open up a new world of challenges, rewards, and opportunities. As healthcare providers, you will have many privileges, responsibilities, and choices. I am confident that your education has prepared you for all that you will want to do – and for all that you will wish to be. I look forward to hearing great things about you in the near future.

As you leave the college and embark on the next phase of your journey, remember that you are a student for just a few years, but you are an alum forever. I hope you will stay connected to your alma mater as you accomplish your goals and achieve your dreams. And I hope your future *exceeds* all your hopes and expectations!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carroll Ann Trotman".

Dean Carroll Ann Trotman

Dental Alumni Society



Kelly Divito, BSDH, MS, RDH
President, Dental Alumni Society

Kelly Divito BSDH, MS, RDH, is a native of North Ridgeville, Ohio, and an alumna of The Ohio State University College of Dentistry, having graduated with her Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene in 2008. She went on to earn her Master of Science in Organizational Leadership and she is a proud first-generation college graduate. Following her graduation from Ohio State, she married her college sweetheart, had a son, and has been travelling and working all around the U.S. while her spouse serves in the U.S. Army. She has had the opportunity to work in five states and currently holds active RDH licensure in Ohio, Georgia, Virginia, and Maryland. She has practiced clinically in general, periodontal, prosthodontic, orthodontic, and public health settings. She splits her time between working clinically in Maryland and as a professional educator for a dental company. Her passions are education, research, volunteerism, and evidenced-based practice. She published her first continuing education course in 2020. She is a member of the ADHA, VDHA, AAOSH, OSAP, NNHH, and OSU DAS. She is proud to serve as the President of The Ohio State University Dental Alumni Society.

Dentistry Class Acknowledgement



Storm Mohn
President, Dental Class of 2024










































Storm Mohn is the President of the Dental Class of 2024. Storm's entire academic career has been focused around becoming a dentist since he was 12 years old. Storm grew up in Carrollton, a small farm town in northeast Ohio. He attended The Ohio State University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in 2017. He then worked at Nationwide Children's Hospital for three years as a Process and Development researcher focusing on Duchenne muscular dystrophy before returning to The Ohio State University to obtain his DDS. Whenever not at the college, Storm can be found spending time with his wife and two boys or training for some type of fitness competition. After graduation, Storm will be returning to northeast Ohio to work at Carrollton Family Dental in Carrollton and Summit Dental in Canton, Ohio.



Trevor Cubra
President, Student Government Association

Trevor Cubra grew up in Pickerington, Ohio, and received his undergraduate degree from John Carroll University in Cleveland before becoming an Ohio State Buckeye. During his distinguished career as a Buckeye, Trevor's dedication and commitment to excellence can be witnessed by his success in various leadership roles that include President of the Student Government Association (SGA), Legislative Liaison for the American Student Dental Association (ASDA) and Senator for the Inter-Professional Council (IPC). In 2023, Trevor was the singular recipient of the ASDA National Legislative Liaison of the Year Award in Washington, DC for his efforts and engagement in promoting numerous advocacy initiatives. After graduation, Trevor, his wife, Devvin, and their little dog, Gio, are moving to Tucson, Arizona. Trevor is excited to begin practicing as a general dentist while continuing to pursue his love for triathlons alongside his professional endeavors.

Achievement Awards

Academy of General Dentistry Senior Student Dental Award	 Rylan Dunn  Adam Gallatin
Academy of Operative Dentistry Award.....	 Adam Gallatin
Academy of Osseointegration Outstanding Dental Student	 Saeed Zarrabi
American Academy of Implant Dentistry Predoctoral Dental Student Award.....	 Mallory McMurray
American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology Dental Student Award.....	 Robert Wood
American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Certificate of Merit.....	 Matthew Shafron
American Academy of Periodontology Dental Student Award for Achievement in Periodontology.....	 Gabriel Militello
American Association of Endodontists Student Achievement Award in Endodontics.....	 Saeed Zarrabi
American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Dental Implant Student Award.....	 Gabriel Militello
American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Dental Student Award.....	 Austin Clyde
American Association of Orthodontists Student Award.....	 Brandon Graf
American Association of Public Health Dentistry Dental Student Recognition Award.....	 Gabriel Militello
American Association of Women Dentists Eleanor J. Bushee Senior Dental Student Award.....	 Olivia Howard Barger
American College of Dentists Outstanding Student Leader Award.....	 Trevor Cubra
American College of Prosthodontists Predoctoral Student Prosthodontic Achievement Award.....	 Tristan Meyer
American Dental Education Association Dr. Jeanne C. Sinkford Student Leadership Award.....	 Idiris Ibrahim
American Dental Society of Anesthesiology Horace Wells Senior Student Award.....	 Joseph Virga
American Student Dental Association Award of Excellence.....	 Joseph Linser
Award of Excellence in General Dentistry.....	 Arman Ahmadpour  Robert Wood
Award of Excellence in Prosthodontics.....	 Brittany Adams  Alwilleed Kalout
Carl O. Boucher Prosthodontic Conference Senior Student Award.....	 Sana Ghiba
Delta Dental Community Commitment Award.....	 Calli Welker
Dental Lifeline Network Brian D. Stone Memorial Award.....	 Sydney Sherek
Hanau WhipMix Corporation Best of the Best Prosthodontics Award.....	 Joanne Stalker
International Congress of Dentists Humanitarian Award.....	 Alwilleed Kalout
International Congress of Dentists Leadership Award.....	 Matthew Shafron
International Congress of Oral Implantologists Predoctoral Student Achievement Award.....	 Paxton Reisinger
Northeastern Society of Periodontists Senior Student Award.....	 Robert Wood
Outstanding Commitment to Community.....	 Victoria Thurman
Pierre Fauchard Academy Senior Student Award.....	 Michelle Beverly
Quintessence Publishing Award for Clinical Achievement in Periodontology.....	 Mallory McMurray
Quintessence Publishing Award for Clinical Achievement in Restorative Dentistry.....	 Thao Nguyen
Quintessence Publishing Award for Research Achievement.....	 Brandon Graf
Special Care in Dentistry Association Dental Student Award.....	 Sydney Sherek
Student Award of Merit American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry.....	 Andrew Colborn
The Society for Color and Appearance Student Award of Merit.....	 Joseph Van Oss
Toplek Award.....	 Olivia Jackson
U.S. Public Health Service Dental Student Award of Excellence.....	 Jessica Houser

Scholastic Awards

Callahan Memorial Award

 Brandon Graf


Established in 1941 by the Callahan Commission of the Ohio Dental Association, the Callahan Memorial Award is recognized as a primary award for individual student excellence in dentistry. The students who have achieved outstanding academic ratings and who exemplify the highest ideals of the profession are selected for the Callahan Memorial Student Prize. The award includes a certificate from the Callahan Memorial Commission, a cash award, and the engraving of each recipient's name on a plaque displayed in the college.

Harry M. Semans Memorial Award – Dental Alumni Society

 Aina Weinstein and Robert Wood

In 1968, The Ohio State University Class of 1916 established the Harry M. Semans Memorial Scholarship Award, which is endowed by the Ohio State Dental Alumni Society. The award is in memory of Harry M. Semans, Dean of the College of Dentistry, from 1914 to 1938, in recognition of his humanitarian services and his dedication to the College of Dentistry and the profession of dentistry. The award is presented to a senior dental student demonstrating outstanding scholarship and professionalism, and it includes a certificate and a lifetime membership with the Dental Alumni Society and the engraving of the recipient's name on a plaque displayed in the college.

College of Dentistry Veler Scholar

 Rylan Dunn

In 2010, the College of Dentistry received its largest gift ever from the estate of Dr. Richard Veler, a dentistry alumnus from the Class of 1946, and his wife, Betty G. Veler. The Richard C. Veler, D.D.S., and Betty G. Veler Dental Scholarship provides significant annual financial support to four D.D.S. students in the College of Dentistry (one from each class). Scholarship recipients must demonstrate "merit, need, and outstanding moral and ethical character," with the understanding that acceptance of this scholarship represents a commitment to a professional dental education, as well as a lasting commitment to the college and The Ohio State University. Students who receive the Veler scholarship are expected to meet the highest standards of leadership, philanthropy, and a commitment to helping others after graduation.

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Marshall, Virginia
B.S. Virginia Polytechnic
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Baltimore, Maryland

Arman Ahmadpour

East Lansing, Michigan
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Flint
M.S. Michigan State University
General Practice
Columbus, Ohio

Zeenet Ahmed

Gahanna, Ohio
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General Practice
Columbus, Ohio

Joseph Alessi

Columbiana, Ohio
B.S. Youngstown State
University

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Alexandria Andrzejewski

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University
General Practice
Temperance, Michigan

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Newark, Ohio

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Institute
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College of Medicine
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Residency – The University
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General Practice Residency –
Louis Stokes Department
of Veteran Affairs Medical
Center
Cleveland, Ohio

Omicron Kappa Upsilon



🏆 Austin Clyde

🏆 Sana Ghiba

🏆 Brandon Graf

🏆 Olivia Howard Barger

🏆 Olivia Jackson

🏆 Mallory McMurray

🏆 Gabriel Militello

🏆 Kazune Pax

🏆 Matthew Shafron

🏆 Sydney Sherek

🏆 Aina Weinstein

🏆 Robert Wood

The **William S. Kramer Award of Excellence** for 2023 was awarded to **Brandon Graf** and the **Orville E. Russell Award of Excellence** for 2022 was given to **Brandon Graf** for demonstrating scholarship, character, and the potential promise for advancement of dentistry and service to humanity. Omicron Kappa Upsilon had its inception with the Class of 1914 at Northwestern University Dental School. A committee from this group submitted a petition to the faculty of the school which stated that they were “desirous of organizing and founding a national honorary fraternity similar to other honorary fraternities now existing in the leading universities...but which shall consist of dental students exclusively; admission and membership to which shall be based upon scholarship and character as manifested by election by the faculty.”

Advanced Education Graduates

Dental Anesthesiology

Alyzah U. Quereshy
Cleveland, Ohio
DMD, Case Western Reserve University
School of Dental Medicine
MS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Columbus, Ohio

James Kunzler
Medina, Ohio
BS, Kent State University
DDS, The Ohio State University
MS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Denver, Colorado

Endodontics

Jaclyn M. Danko Hadar
Worcester, Massachusetts
BS, Tufts University
DMD, Tufts University
School of Dental Medicine
MS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Portland, Maine

Jenna M. Gaudio Edwards
Columbus, Ohio
BS, The Ohio State University
DDS, The Ohio State University
MS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Columbus, Ohio

William Carter Grine
Pinehurst, North Carolina
BA, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
DMD, East Carolina University
School of Dental Medicine
MS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Greensboro, North Carolina

Marilyn Claire Henry
Independence, Kentucky
BA, Northern Kentucky University
DMD, University of Kentucky
MBA, Northern Kentucky University
MS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Madison, Wisconsin

General Practice

Clay Blackwell
Columbia, South Carolina
BS, Clemson University
DMD, University of Pittsburgh
Private Practice
Columbus, Ohio

Danielle N. D. Frank
Ellicott City, Maryland
BS, University of Maryland
Baltimore County
DDS, University of Maryland
School of Dentistry
Pediatric Dentistry Residency
Children's National Hospital
Washington D.C.

Karishma Gandhi
Modesto, California
BS, University of California- Davis
MS, Case Western Reserve University
DMD, Tufts University
School of Dental Medicine
Private Practice
Detroit, Michigan

Fatima Hanif
Columbus, Ohio
BS, York University
DDS, Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry
Private Practice
Toronto, Ontario

Davern Latoya Dorene Holloway
Dublin, Ohio
BA, Washington Adventist University
DDS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Dayton, Ohio

Casey Seol Kim
Cleveland, Ohio
BS, Cleveland State University
DDS, The Ohio State University
General Practice Residency (Chief Resident)
The Ohio State University
Columbus, Ohio

Rohit Kumar
Shaker Heights, Ohio
BS, University of Toledo
DDS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Columbus, Ohio

Esme Rose Patterson
Carmel, Indiana
BA and BS, Indiana University
DDS, Indiana University
Private Practice
Indianapolis, Indiana

Isa E. Rodriguez
Westerville, Ohio
BA, Mount Holyoke College
DDS, Columbia University
Private Practice
Columbus, Ohio

Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology

Gabrielle Rochelle Dennis
Loma Linda, California
BS, Pacific Union College
DDS, Loma Linda University
MS, The Ohio State University
Academia
Loma Linda University
School of Dentistry
Loma Linda, California

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Michael Baily
Ann Arbor, Michigan
BA, Michigan State University
DMD, Oregon Health and Science University
Private Practice
Seattle, Washington

Katelyn H. Conley
Ashland, Kentucky
BA, University of Louisville
DMD, University of Louisville
Private Practice
Atlanta, Georgia

Advanced Education Graduates

Orthodontics

Pegah Khosravi-Kamrani

Chapel Hill, North Carolina
BA, Columbia University in
the City of New York
DDS, University of North
Carolina Adams School of
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MS, The Ohio State University
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Samantha L. Marks

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DDS, The Ohio State
University
MS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Columbus, Ohio

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DMD, University of
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MS, The Ohio State University
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Private Practice
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Academia

Pediatric Dentistry

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Public Health

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MS, The Ohio State University
MPH, The Ohio State
University
Private Practice and
Academia

Periodontics

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MS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Chicago, Illinois

Priyanka Kodaganallur Pitchumani

Chennai, India
BDS, Tamilnadu DR. M.G.R.
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MS, The Ohio State University
Academia
University of Iowa
College of Dentistry
Iowa City, Iowa

Yuchang Wu

DDS, China Medical
University
MS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Taoyuan, Taiwan

Prosthodontics

Hassan Alamri

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MS, The Ohio State University
Residency
Loma Linda University
Loma Linda, California

Catherine Arreaza

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MS, The Ohio State University
Private Practice
Austin, Texas

Omar Moustafa

Cairo, Egypt
BDS, Cairo University
MSc, Cairo University
MS, The Ohio State University
Academia
The Ohio State University
Columbus, Ohio

Honored Hooders



Robert W. Gardner, DDS
Assistant Professor - Clinical
Division of Restorative and Prosthetic Dentistry

Dr. Gardner has played a major role in our growth as clinicians. He is an excellent restorative faculty member, and now clinic director, who always demonstrates his strong passion for teaching. He strives to expand our dental knowledge and provide us with the tools necessary to treat our patients with quality, long-lasting dental care. His passion for teaching is clear in every interaction, and he teaches his students so much beyond the 'textbook' way of doing things. He has helped us realize our true clinical potential and encourages his students to work efficiently while achieving excellent results. Dr. Gardner has been a mentor to many during our two years in clinic, being known for his approachable nature and his willingness to converse about any topic, within dentistry or beyond. These are just a some of the many reasons that our class selected Dr. Gardner as both an Honorary Hooder and an Outstanding Faculty Member.

He has had a tremendous impact on the Class of 2024; thank for you all that you have done for our class, Dr. Gardner!



Mark T. Morrison, DDS
Assistant Professor - Clinical
Division of Restorative and Prosthetic Dentistry

Dr. Morrison is one of the first faces you meet at the College of Dentistry as he is always very excited to meet the incoming students. He brings years of private practice and academia experience with him to the school and it shows in his ability to connect with pre-clinical and clinical students. We are truly blessed to have such an amazing faculty member throughout our four years. He is one of the few faculty members that you get to see every year of dental school from the "PITS" to our beautiful new clinic building. Dr. Morrison puts trust in his students and nudges them in the right direction when they need help.

Thank you, Dr. Morrison, from the Class of 2024 for being such an important piece in making dental school enjoyable.

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Assistant Dean for Digital Dentistry and Advanced Technology and
Assistant Professor - Clinical
Division of Restorative and Prosthetic Dentistry

Dr. Nassani is one of the leading faculty members in the school's current evolution into digital dentistry. He has made a huge impact on the student body in the short time he has been here. Working as a pre-clinic and clinic instructor, he has taken home numerous awards for the classes. Dr. Nassani brings new viewpoints and a new light to the dental school. He pushes us to think in new ways and prepares us for the real world of dentistry. He goes out of his way to make sure each student he works with he leaves a lasting impression on. Dr. Nassani truly has a passion for dentistry, teaching, and making connections with his student body and it shows.

Thank you, Dr. Nassani, from the Class of 2024. We are more prepared for the future of dentistry because of you.



James B. Stone, DDS

Assistant Professor - Clinical
Division of Restorative and Prosthetic Dentistry

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The Class of 2024 has been grateful and appreciative for all that Dr. Stone has taught us professionally and personally.

2024 Dentistry Outstanding Instructors



Robert J. Davidson, DDS
Assistant Professor - Clinical
Division of Restorative and Prosthetic Dentistry

Dr. Davidson has been instrumental in our clinical education over the past 2 years of dental school. He taught our R&P course during our first year of clinic, where we were introduced to different clinical processes and procedures. This created a foundation for our success and learning in the clinic. As a clinic director, Dr. Davidson has provided us the skills and knowledge to be successful in our clinical dental education. He has been constructive, yet supportive, which has allowed us to make mistakes and learn from them. Dr. Davidson has instilled in us a level of confidence and efficiency that will propel us through our dental careers post-graduation. Clinic 5 is especially grateful for having the opportunity to learn clinical dentistry from such an impactful individual.

We thank Dr. Davidson for all he has done to prepare us for practicing dentistry after dental school.



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Matthew J. Messina, DDS
Assistant Professor - Clinical
Upper Arlington Dental Clinic

Dr. Messina has played a vital role in our education and professional development during our four years. Dr. Messina has dramatically supported our class, from working in the pre-clinic with our class D1 year to teaching our Practice Management classes. He is known for being a humble teacher who often shares his experiences with practice ownership and current OSU Upper Arlington Clinic management. He emphasizes clear communication strategies for student dentists to use with patients. He has worked hard to create lectures to prepare our class to work hand in hand with all the regulatory agencies that control the practice of dentistry. We have learned so much from Dr. Messina, and we will all be taking the life lessons he taught us well beyond dental school.

Thank you, Dr. Messina, for sharing your passion for dentistry with all of us.

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Robert J. Uhlin, DDS

Assistant Professor - Clinical
Division of Restorative and Prosthetic Dentistry

Dr. Uhlin is a reliable, kind, and enthusiastic faculty member. Both students and patients love working with him. He is an authentic person who enjoys sharing the wealth of knowledge he's acquired in his years of experience. Dr. Uhlin challenges us but also equally supports us. He always has our back. He is a life-long learner and has encouraged many students to pursue advanced educational programs.

The Class of 2024 was truly lucky to have you as a faculty member! Thank you!

2024 Dental Hygiene Outstanding Instructors



Mason M. Colón, BSDH, MDH, EFDA
Assistant Professor - Practice
Division of Dental Hygiene

Mr. Colón is one of those instructors that has made our time in this program so special. Since day one, he has been everyone's #1 fan. He has always pushed us to be the best we can be, but always made sure to pick us up on the days we weren't and of course made sure we grabbed chocolate at the end. Not only did he help us grow as students, but we got to see him grow as an instructor. You truly have gone above and beyond to support us and our future careers as hygienists.

You have a whole lot to be proud of and the Class of 2024 wants to thank you for all you have done for us. It definitely has not gone unnoticed and we will forever be grateful for the opportunity to work with you during our time in hygiene school.



Irina A. Novopoltseva BSAS, MS, RDH
Clinic Director & Assistant Professor - Clinical
Division of Dental Hygiene

Mrs. Novopoltseva has been someone we all admire for her bravery, passion, kindness, and ambition. She will never give up on you and strives for the best in each person. Mrs. Novopoltseva will go out of her way to help others succeed, no matter the obstacles. The Class of 2024 can proudly say that her passion for dentistry and her compassion toward others has not only led her to great success but has allowed her students to strive for the best. Her kindness is unmatched in hard times as a student and soon-to-be dental hygienists. No matter the time of day you reach out to her, you will never be left empty-handed. She will always find the best way to help her students reach an outcome they are satisfied with.

Thank you, Mrs. Novopoltseva, for creating an environment where everyone feels heard and safe. We all can proudly say that we were the first class to have Mrs. Novopoltseva as a clinic director. She showed nothing but ambition, optimism, and kindness towards us all. Your efforts in forming us into better humans and clinicians will never go unnoticed.

Dental Hygiene Class Acknowledgements



Areeba Tanvir

President, Dental Hygiene Class of 2024

Areeba Tanvir is The Ohio State Dental Hygiene Class of 2024 President. Areeba has been involved in the dental community since high school when she started dental assisting at a newly opened private practice and, from there, her love for dentistry flourished. Areeba's time at The Ohio State University has allowed her to say that she has chosen a career she is proud to be a part of. She finds immense joy in creating a difference in the lives of others. Outside of Postle Hall, Areeba enjoys exploring cafes around Columbus and spending time with family. After graduation, she plans on joining a private practice in Columbus, Ohio.

Dental Hygiene Scholastic Awards

Academic Scholar Award

🏆 Macy Burchett

This primary award recognizes the senior student who has achieved an outstanding academic rating in dental hygiene. The award consists of an engraved plaque.

College of Dentistry Hummel Family Scholarship

🏆 Suyee Chen, Makenna Foust, and Marisol Varga

The Hummel Family Scholarship was first awarded in 2017 to six Dental Hygiene students in the College of Dentistry (three from each class) with a gift from Dr. and Mrs. Robert Hummel. While studying at the College of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. Hummel was given \$200 toward his tuition and promised that one day he would pay it forward for another college student. Dr. Hummel established this award to help students at universities that have impacted his family. His wife, Carole T. Hummel, is a dental hygiene alumna from the Class of 1958. This scholarship provides support to students who demonstrate leadership skills, financial need, contributions to society, and are part of the first generation of their family to attend college.

Sigma Phi Alpha

🏆 Macy Burchett, Brynn Chaplik, and Justin Villarreal

Sigma Phi Alpha is the national honor society of the dental hygiene profession. The purpose of Sigma Phi Alpha is to promote, recognize, and honor scholarship, service, and character among students and graduates of dental hygiene. Ten percent of the profession is elected into Sigma Phi Alpha.

College of Dentistry Yardley Scholar

🏆 Piper Sullivan

The Yardley Family Endowed Scholarship Fund in Dental Hygiene was established in 2011 with a gift from Lou Ann Moritz Ransom, a dental hygiene alumna from the Class of 1958. This scholarship is named for Ms. Moritz Ransom and her sisters, Jeanne Yardley Bogen and Mary Yardley Giannola, who have each had accomplished careers in dental hygiene. This scholarship provides support to a student who demonstrates financial need and is pursuing a degree in dental hygiene. This scholarship provides significant annual financial support to two dental hygiene students (one in each class). Students who receive the Yardley scholarship are expected to meet the highest standards of academic success, leadership, and commitment to others after graduation.

Dental Hygiene Class of 2024

Hadeel Abu-Rayyan
Ohio

Brynn Chaplik
Austin, Texas

Alissa Kefauver
Columbus, Ohio

Anya Sari
Columbus, Ohio

Sabrina Alrabadi
Westerville, Ohio

Suyee Chen
Columbus, Ohio

Megan Miller
Westerville, Ohio

Piper Sullivan
Ft. Collins, Colorado

Stephanie Andrews
Columbus, Ohio

Allison Colegrove
Columbus, Ohio

Mai Mosalem
Dublin, Ohio

Areeba Tanvir
Columbus, Ohio

Scarlet Barnes
Pataskala, Ohio

Erica Culp
Columbus, Ohio

Nidhi Patel
Hilliard, Ohio

Kyla Theis
Ft. Collins, Colorado

Sasha Bomser
Columbus, Ohio

Nha Doan
Columbus, Ohio

Prathana Patel
Ohio

Marisol Vargas
Columbus, Ohio

Emily Bricker
Columbus, Ohio

Allyson Duncan
Columbus, Ohio

Keeley Presnell
Cambridge, Ohio

Justin Villarreal

Natalie Brown
Columbus, Ohio

Makenna Foust
Findlay, Ohio







Arianna Ryan
Ft. Collins, Colorado

Macy Burchett
Columbus, Ohio

Courtney Gwanzura
Dallas, Texas

Riley Saliga
Macedonia, Ohio

Dental Hygiene Achievement Awards

Astrid Langell Award.....	 Prathana Patel
Dental Hygiene Oral Radiography Award.....	 Sasha Bomser
Honor L. Whitacre Leadership Award.....	 Areeba Tanvir
Hu-Friedy Golden Scaler Award.....	 Justin Villarreal
Kilgore Dental Hygiene Restorative Achievement Award.....	 Suyee Chen
Nancy J. Goorey Research Award.....	 Courtney Gwanzura
Sigma Phi Alpha Wise Award.....	 Brynn Chaplik

Dental Hygiene Oath

In my practice as a dental hygienist,
I affirm my personal and professional commitment
to improve the oral health of the public,
to advance the art and science of dental hygiene,
and to promote high standards of quality care.

I pledge continually to improve
my professional knowledge and skills,
to render a full measure of service
to each patient entrusted to my care,
and to uphold the highest standards
of professional competence and personal conduct
in the interests of the dental hygiene profession
and the public it serves.

The Dentists Pledge

I, (dentist's name), as a member of the dental profession,
shall keep this pledge and these stipulations.

I understand and accept that my primary responsibility
is to my patients, and I shall dedicate myself to render,
to the best of my ability, the highest standard of oral health care
and to maintain a relationship of respect and confidence.

Therefore, let all come to me in the knowledge that
their total health and well-being
are my first considerations.

I shall accept the responsibility that, as a professional,
my competence rests on continuing the attainment of knowledge
and skill in the arts and sciences of dentistry.

I acknowledge my obligation to support and sustain
the honor and integrity of the profession
and to conduct myself in all endeavors such that
I shall merit the respect of my patients, colleagues and my community.
I further commit myself to the betterment of my community
for the benefit of all society.

I shall faithfully observe the
Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct
set forth by the profession.

All this I pledge with pride in my commitment to
the profession and the public it serves.

Carmen Ohio

Oh come let's sing Ohio's praise
And songs to Alma Mater raise
While our hearts rebounding thrill
With joy which death alone can still
Summer's heat or winter's cold
The seasons pass the years will roll
Time and change will surely show
How firm thy friendship . . . O - H I - O

Carmen Ohio

With lyrics written in 1906 by
The Ohio State University freshman Fred Cornell,
Carmen Ohio stands as Ohio State's
oldest school song, and as its alma mater.
No other song expresses better all the reasons
that people love Ohio State; the friends you make here,
the good times you have and the pride you feel
as an Ohio State student or just a fan.
Set to the Christian tune, Spanish Hymn,
the sounds of Carmen Ohio bring a tear to the eye
and a lump in the throat.

Adapted for brass band in 1955
by director Jack Evans and arranger Richard Heine,
the sound of the Orton Hall chimes was added
to the beginning of Carmen Ohio,
and yet another tradition was born.
Built in 1892, the chimes in Orton Hall tower
ring out the hours daily,
and the Carillon is played regularly.
Every Friday at noon,
Carmen Ohio, Buckeye Battle Cry,
Fight the Team Across the Field and
other Ohio State songs peal out of the tower
and float across the Oval,
reminding all that Ohio State
is the best place to be!

College of Dentistry Vision

Making oral health matter through learning, discovery,
and innovative patient care and service.



We Embrace Our Shared Values and strive to be **BOLD**

Being **O**pen to **L**earning and **D**iscussions

College of Dentistry Mission

The College of Dentistry is dedicated to addressing the evolving oral health care needs of communities in Ohio, the nation, and the world.

We do this by:

- ✚ Providing comprehensive oral and craniofacial health care in an inter-professional health science community
- ✚ Educating health care professionals and scientists in a collaborative and diverse academic environment
- ✚ Creating, discovering, and sharing knowledge
- ✚ Preparing socially responsible and engaged citizens
- ✚ Promoting a culture of excellence, respect, and inclusiveness

The Seal

The seal is symbolic of the relationship of the profession of dentistry to education at The Ohio State University.

The “O” with the open book and buckeye leaf are part of the University seal and signify learning at Ohio State.

The “O” also represents the Greek letter Omicron which is the first letter of the word, Odont, meaning tooth.

The triangle representing the Greek letter Delta, together with the cautery and the branches with leaves and berries are symbolic of the profession of dentistry.

The leaves represent the 32 teeth in the permanent dentition, the berries the 20 teeth in the deciduous dentition.



