



COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE

2023

POSTDOCTORAL
GRADUATION CEREMONY

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023

The Armory
Columbia University Irving Medical Center

Program

Presiding	James B. Fine, DMD <i>Professor of Dental Medicine at Columbia University Irving Medical Center Senior Associate Dean, Postdoctoral Academic & Student Affairs</i>
Invocation	Rabbi Yonah Hain <i>Campus Rabbi, Columbia University Office of Religious Life</i>
Welcome	Christian S. Stohler, DMD, DrMedDent <i>Professor and Dean, College of Dental Medicine Senior Vice President, Columbia University Irving Medical Center</i>
Greetings from Alumni Association	Thomas Magnani, DDS '80 <i>Assistant Clinical Professor of Dental Medicine</i>
Presentation of Allan J. Formicola Teaching Award	RECIPIENT: Faranak Vossughi, DDS <i>Instructor in Clinical Dental Medicine Division of Periodontics</i> PRESENTED BY: Letty Moss-Salentijn, DDS, PhD <i>Edward V. Zegarelli Professor of Dental Medicine Vice Dean, Curricular Innovation and Interprofessional Education</i>
Commencement Address	B. Gunnar Hasselgren, DDS, PhD <i>Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Irving Medical Center</i>
Presentation of Certificates and Degrees	
Closing Remarks	James B. Fine, DMD <i>Professor of Dental Medicine at Columbia University Medical Center Senior Associate Dean, Postdoctoral Academic and Student Affairs</i>
Benediction	Rabbi Yonah Hain <i>Campus Rabbi, Columbia University Office of Religious Life</i>

Presentation of Certificates and Master of Science Degrees

Certificate in Endodontics

Sahng G. Kim, DDS, MS
*Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at
the Columbia University Medical Center
Director, Postdoctoral Endodontics Program*

Albert Chang, DDS
Julia Y. Cheung, DMD
Giyong Cho, DMD
Anjali K. Dave, DDS
Christopher D. Higgins, DDS
Johnny J. Kim, DDS

REMARKS: Julia Y. Cheung, DMD &
Anjali K. Dave, DDS
Postdoctoral Endodontics Program

Master of Science in Orthodontics

Jing Chen, DDS, PhD
*Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at
the Columbia University Medical Center
Director, Postdoctoral Orthodontics Program*

Ashleigh Alex, DDS
Saahil Brahmbhatt, DDS
Taylor Finn, DDS
Kateryna Huz, DMD
Daniel Kim, DDS
Mythilee Kugathanan, DMD
Taylor Paek, DDS

REMARKS: Saahil Brahmbhatt, DDS &
Taylor Paek, DDS
*Chief Residents,
Postdoctoral Orthodontics Program*

Master of Science in Periodontics

Philip Y. Kang, DDS
*Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at
the Columbia University Medical Center
Director, Postdoctoral Periodontics Program*

Gretel Gisela Pellegrini, PhD, DDS
Constance Kang Ting Teoh, BDS
Zixiang Xu, DDS

Certificate in Periodontics

Nam Jun Cho, DDS
Richard Hong, DMD
Meghan Pandya, DMD

REMARKS: Panos N. Papapanou, DDS, PhD
*Professor of Dental Medicine
Chair, Section of Oral Diagnostic &
Rehabilitation Sciences
Director, Division of Periodontics*

REMARKS: Gretel Gisela Pellegrini, PhD, DDS
*Chief Resident,
Postdoctoral Periodontics Program*

Master of Science in Prosthodontics

Luiz Pimenta, DMD, MS
*Assistant Professor of Dental Medicine at
the Columbia University Medical Center*

Desi Matthews, DDS
Maria Vlock, DDS

REMARKS: Desi Matthews, DDS & Maria Vlock, DDS
*Chief Residents, Postdoctoral
Prosthodontics program*

**Certificate
in Advanced
Education in
General Dentistry**

Vicky Evangelidis-Sakellson, DDS, MPH
*Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University
Medical Center*
*Director, Postdoctoral Advanced Education in General
Dentistry Program*

**Advanced Education in
General Dentistry I**

Mohammed Al Azzawi, DDS
Karelyn Germosen-Then, DDS
Jonathan Guzman, DDS
Jovanny J. Guzman, DDS
Sang Hoon Kim, DMD
Chan Young Moon, DDS
Dianet Ruiz, DDS
Isabela Souza, BDS
Zafrin Tanni, BDS

**Advanced Education in
General Dentistry II**

Yasmeen Abugharbiyeh, DDS
Dima Abuhamda, BDS
Leslie Andujar, DDS
Akaanksha Bhatia, BDS
Myhla Dancel-Beal, DDS
Maria De Moya, DDS
Miriannys Fiffe Gonzalez, DDS
Yeritza Jaquez Gomez, DDS
Asheline Marmolejos, DDS
Juan Martinez, DDS
Carlis Santiago, DDS
Catherine Ventura-Monzon, DDS

**Advanced Education in
General Dentistry Residency Program**

Medgine C. Etienne, DDS
Erin Kang, DMD
Joo Hee Kang, DMD
Maria G. Moya Ledesma, DMD
Peter T. Popek, DDS
Erica Y. Tsao, DDS

REMARKS: Juan R. Martinez, DDS
*Chief Resident, Advanced Education in
General Dentistry*

NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital and Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital of NewYork-Presbyterian Residency Programs

Certificate in General Practice Residency

Gregory N. Bunza, DDS, MS
*Assistant Professor of Dental Medicine at
the Columbia University Medical Center
Director, General Practice Residency Program*

General Practice Residency I

Emily Cohen-Malka, DMD
Vicky Yu Kei Yau, DDS
Bruce Kim Youm, DDS, MPH
Corey Dickson, DDS

General Practice Residency II

Isra Munir, DDS
Michael Mariano, DDS

REMARKS: Michael Mariano, DDS
*Chief Resident, General Practice
Residency Program*

Certificate in Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology

Elizabeth Philipone, DMD
*Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at
the Columbia University Medical Center
Director, Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology
Residency Program*

Khanh Trinh, DMD

REMARKS: Khanh Trinh, DMD
*Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology
Residency Program*

Certificate in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery- MD Integration

Alia Koch, DDS, MD, FACS
*Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at
the Columbia University Medical Center
Director, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Residency Program*

Kevin Lee, DDS, MD
Tyler Zenga, DDS, MD

**Certificate in
Pediatric Dentistry**

Richard K. Yoon, DDS
*Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at
the Columbia University Medical Center
Director, Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program*

Marlena Adamczyk, DDS
Jennifer K. Chou, DMD
Shivani Saith, DDS
Sydney Shapiro, DDS, MPH
Shreya Sood, DDS

REMARKS: Shreya Sood, DDS
*Chief Resident, Pediatric Dentistry
Residency Program*

Please join us for a reception