



Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry
Commencement Ceremony

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024



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ACADEMY OF MUSIC / 240 SOUTH BROAD STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA

AMID I. ISMAIL

Dean and Laura H. Carnell Professor

PROCESSION

“Pomp and Circumstance” by Sir Edward Elgar

“THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER”

by Francis Scott Key

WELCOME AND ADDRESS

Amid I. Ismail, BDS, MPH, MBA, DrPH, Dean and Laura H. Carnell Professor
Kellyn W. Hodges, DMD '92, '94, Board of Trustees

ALUMNI ADDRESS

Michael Bydalek, DMD '89, Alumni Association

FACULTY ADDRESS

Kenneth Boberick, DMD, Associate Professor, Restorative Dentistry

STUDENT SPEAKER

Charles H. Lynam, DMD '24

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES AND SPECIALTY CERTIFICATES

Judith A. Felgoise, Board of Trustees

PRESENTATION OF SPECIALTY CERTIFICATES

Amid I. Ismail, BDS, MPH, MBA, DrPH, Dean and Laura H. Carnell Professor
Louis DiPede, DMD, Associate Dean of Graduate Education

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS AND AWARDS

Amid I. Ismail, BDS, MPH, MBA, DrPH, Dean and Laura H. Carnell Professor
Maria Fornatora, DMD, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs

RECESSIONAL*

Amid I. Ismail, BDS, MPH, MBA, DrPH, Dean and Laura H. Carnell Professor
“Stars and Stripes Forever” by John Philip Sousa

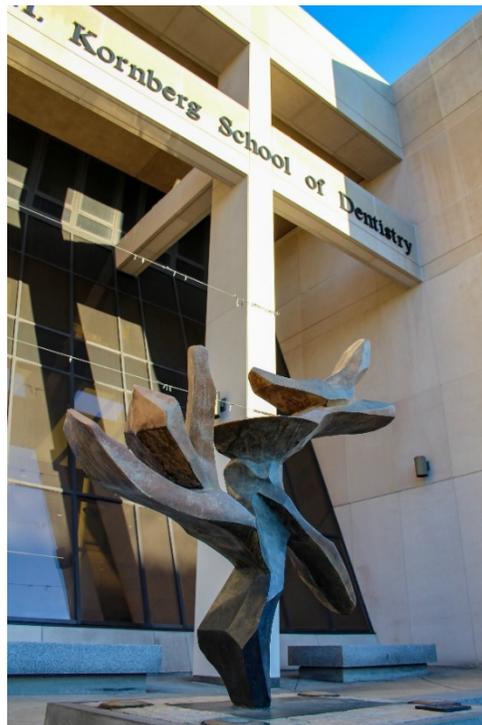
**Audience please stand, if you are able.*

Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry

The Temple University Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry has a rich history rooted in a commitment to excellence in dental education and community service. Established in 1863, it is one of the oldest dental schools in continuous existence in the United States. Originally founded as the Philadelphia Dental College, it became part of Temple University in 1907.

Our Mission: The Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry promotes health and wellness through the comprehensive education of diverse general and specialty dentists utilizing inter-professional collaboration; providing compassionate, comprehensive, patient-centered, evidence-based and outcome-driven oral health care; engaging in research and scholarly activities; and serving the community.

Our Vision: The Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry endeavors to distinguish itself as a dynamic teaching and learning community in which dental students and residents are inspired to become progressive healthcare practitioners, proactive public health advocates, inquisitive life-long learners, and innovative leaders in addressing present and future healthcare challenges.



The "Tree of Peace" sculpture by UNESCO Artist for Peace Hedva Ser.
Donated by alumnus Allen L. Finkelstein.

*"Through dentistry, and our respect for one another,
we will show the world what the true definition of peace is."*

- Allen L. Finkelstein, D.D.S., '69

Amid Ismail,
Dean



Welcome and congratulations, Class of 2024!

Today we celebrate the remarkable achievements of each and every one of you. Graduation is not just a personal triumph but a testament to the resilience, dedication, and hard work that define the Temple Dental community.

Throughout your journey, you have encountered challenges and obstacles, but you have met them head-on with determination and perseverance.

As you embark on the next chapter of your lives, I urge you to carry forward the same spirit of

enthusiasm and passion that has brought you to this moment. Embrace every opportunity that comes your way, and let your actions be guided by compassion, integrity, and a commitment to excellence.

Remember that you are not just graduates of Kornberg, but ambassadors of change and progress in the world. Take pride in the knowledge and skills you have acquired and use them to make a positive impact in your communities and beyond.

As you move forward, never forget the importance of community and camaraderie. Reach out to your fellow Owls, support one another, and together, build a future that is inclusive, compassionate, and equitable for all.

On behalf of the entire Temple Dental family, I extend my congratulations to the Class of 2024.

Faculty and Staff Recognition

I am pleased to share the nominations made by our graduating class, highlighting the outstanding contributions of our faculty and staff members. These individuals have made a profoundly positive impact on the journey of our senior students:

David Bobi Adu, Endo Assistant
Kenneth G. Boberick, Restorative Faculty
Susan M. Chialastri, Periodontology Faculty
Tiffany Collins, Pre-Clinical Lab Manager
Charisa R. Datil, Oral Surgery Scheduler
Mark W. Elice, Restorative Faculty
Charles F. Markocki, GCDL Lab
Patricia Stevens, GCDL Lab

Please join me in extending our sincere gratitude to these exceptional individuals for their unwavering commitment to our dental school community.

Kellyn W. Hodges, DMD '92, '94



Dr. Hodges was born and reared in Philadelphia where she excelled academically and studied opera as a lyric soprano at the Philadelphia High School for Girls. Dr. Hodges then went on to Howard University, where she continued to study voice while majoring in Chemistry, and graduated Phi Beta Kappa and valedictorian of the Chemistry department in 1988. She earned her Doctorate in Dental Medicine and Masters degree in Orthodontics at Temple University, graduating Summa Cum Laude. Dr. Hodges' father, Dr. Edward Williams '72, brother, Dr. Erik Williams '90, spouse, Dr. Eric Hodges '92, son, Dr. Nile Hodges '23, and daughter Paige Hodges is graduating '24, are also Temple University School of Dentistry alumni.

Dr. Hodges founded and operates three orthodontic practices and a full service general dental practice in the greater Philadelphia area. Customized and detailed treatment designed to enhance the natural smile and facial beauty is her sub-specialty. Dr. Hodges is the expert orthodontic consultant to various ERISSA Funds and Unions in the Tri-State area, overseeing and reviewing the orthodontic cases of other orthodontists and assisting in appropriate treatment approaches for their patients. Dr. Hodges truly considers it a privilege not only to be able to help people improve their appearance and health, but also to touch lives in such a positive way. She is currently a member of the Board of Trustees of Temple University and also a member of the Board of Trustees at the Georgia School of Orthodontics, which is the largest and most diverse orthodontic program in the nation. As the Co-founder of the Hodges Family Foundation, she also finds tremendous satisfaction in supporting numerous educational, health and civic efforts.

Dr. Hodges has numerous charities that are dear to her heart and volunteers countless hours with a number of civic organizations mentoring, speaking, planning or serving in whatever capacity is needed. Dr. Hodges is a sought-after speaker in the community who feels called to share her learned insight about self-improvement and empowerment with others who desire to live a life that is positive, productive, balanced and fulfilling. Her most gratifying efforts, however, are building wells for desolate villages in Africa and serving as a missionary dentist in remote and rural areas of Jamaica.

Dr. Hodges is very happily married to Dr. Eric Hodges, a former classmate, and well-known Endodontist in Philadelphia. They have three adult children and currently reside in the Philadelphia area.

It is Dr. Hodges' sincere desire to have a positive impact and influence on all who know her, and she lives her life believing to whom much is given, much is required.

Alumni Association

As a graduate, you are now a member of the [Kornberg School of Dentistry Alumni Association](#)! Your Kornberg experience doesn't stop at graduation. More than 7,000 of our alumni are redefining the field of oral health. Kornberg School of Dentistry alumni are an integral asset to our school community and the communities they serve through the practice of dentistry. Kornberg values the support alumni provide through contributions of time and charitable donations. We strive to foster the ongoing connection between alumni, current students and the dental school. There are many ways for alumni to reconnect or strengthen existing bonds to the school and our students.

Alumni Association Officers

President: Ron Silverman, DDS '72
President Elect: Michael Bydalek, DMD '89
Past President: Rachel Bresler, DMD '14
Treasurer: Cynthia Jetter, DMD '86
Secretary: Tom Howley, DDS '81
Young Alum Rep: Varun Solanki, DMD '21

Assistant Dean, Development and Alumni Affairs: David C. Leach, M.Ed.

Michael Bydalek, DMD '89

After graduating Kornberg School of Dentistry in 1989 and having completed a GPR residency, he opened his privately owned, solo general dentist practice, from scratch, in 1990.

Organized dentistry has played a major role in his dental career. He has held numerous leadership positions within the Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) and the International College of Dentist USA Section (ICD) over the last 30 years. He currently is the immediate Past President of ICD USA-Section Foundation.

He is a Fellow in the Academy of General Dentistry, American College of Dentists, and International College of Dentists.

Dr. Bydalek has stayed connected with Temple Dental throughout his post-graduate years as a Campaign Ambassador, Reunion Ambassador, and a guest speaker to the school's AEGD program. He currently is the President Elect of the Temple Dental Alumni Association.

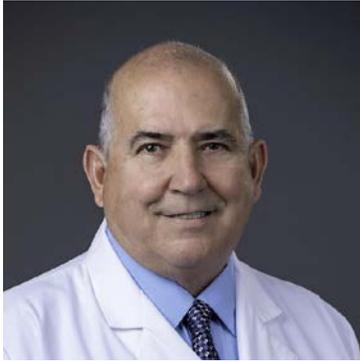
The Temple cherry and white runs deep in the Bydalek family. Dr. Bydalek's father (Raymond) is a retired Air Force dentist and past Associate Dean at KSoD, his older brother (Mark) is a dentist (Temple Dental Class of 1988), and his younger brother (David) is a Temple undergrad graduate. Dr. Bydalek met his wife (Marilyn) while they both were undergraduate students at Temple. Though both their sons (Austin and Ryan) went to Penn State University, Ryan, is a third generation, legacy dental student, Temple Dental Class of 2024.



Alumni Honorees

We value the support that gifts from alumni and friends provide the Kornberg School of Dentistry. These gifts help ensure our continued success. Every donation has a significant impact on our students and the future of the school.

Jorge Blanco, DMD '02



Jorge Luis Blanco was born in pre-Communist Cuba, where he followed his father's footsteps into the dental profession. But life under Communist rule proved oppressive, and eventually Blanco led his family out of Cuba for a new life in the United States.

Without a valid American dental license or the ability to speak English, he struggled to support his family, but remained determined. After a few years, he was able to send his children to college. When his eldest son Kemel was admitted to the Kornberg School of Dentistry, Kemel urged his father to join him in Philadelphia and to refresh his academic credentials so that he could earn a dental license and practice in the U.S.

In 2002, Blanco completed the Kornberg School of Dentistry Advanced Standing Program for Internationally Trained Dentists, allowing him to earn his Doctor of Dental Medicine. He then returned to Miami, obtained his Florida dental license and opened his practice. As of 2022, the Blanco Jamis Dental Group is one of the largest family dental practices in South Florida. Both of his Temple-educated sons, Kemel '03, and Farid '06, partnered with him at the practice. "In no small way, dentistry runs deep in our blood; it defines our family," says Blanco with obvious pride.

In reflection on his life and career, Blanco states that "success has nothing to do with money, offices or assets. It has nothing to do with anything you can hold in your hands. Success is the achievement of any goal, big or small, that you set out to do despite all the obstacles and challenges you've faced along the way."

Doctors Jorge, Kemel, and Farid Blanco and their family have generously funded the gorgeous renovations of lecture hall 388, turning it in from a dark and obsolete space into a model for modern dental learning.



Reem Shafi, DMD '98



Dr. Shafi is a talented dentist and ambitious entrepreneur who is passionate about providing care that's high quality and affordable for each and every one of her patients. In 2004, she opened her first dental practice in Chicago, but quickly realized she wanted to do more.

Dr. Shafi's philosophy is guided by the highest of ethics, excellent patient care, and affordable treatments at no expense to quality. Now, her organization—Two Rivers Dental—is the epitome of modern dentistry and has grown at an impressive rate. Dr. Shafi is most proud that she initiated not only a good professional network but a family of doctors and employees that feel empowered and genuinely proud to provide the highest quality dental care to their patients. Dr. Shafi and her organization have a reputation for excellent service and patient care by several organizations in the dental field.

Achieving great success in establishing her business, she was inducted into the Temple University League for Entrepreneurial Women Hall of Fame in 2013. She also sits on the Kornberg School of Dentistry's Board of Visitors and is a past president for the dental school's alumni association.

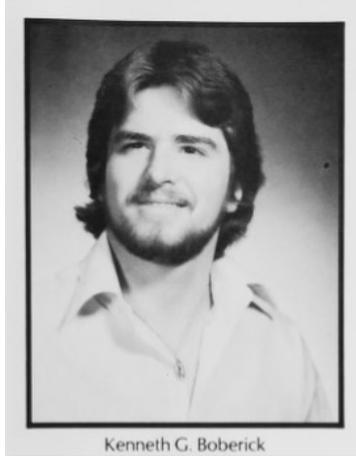
Dr. Shafi has generously funded the Digital Dentistry Lab Room in the pre-clinical lab.



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Faculty Speaker

Kenneth Boberick, DMD



Kenneth G. Boberick

Templar 1981

Dr. Kenneth Boberick graduated summa cum laude in 1981 earning a bachelor's degree in biology from Temple University. He also completed his DMD studies at The University of Pennsylvania in 1985. Immediately after graduation he entered private practice in the Philadelphia suburbs. Four years later, he began his academic career as a part-time adjunct faculty at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine.

In 1994, Dr. Boberick accepted a full-time faculty position at the Kornberg School of Dentistry, earning tenure in 2000. Today, he maintains his private practice while serving as an Associate Professor in Restorative Dentistry. He has co-authored numerous articles in peer reviewed journals.

Dr. Boberick has been the director for the preclinical restorative dentistry course since 1995. The course he teaches is pivotal for the preclinical courses and clinical education that follow.

Dr. Boberick enjoys scuba diving and underwater photography; some of his underwater photographs are displayed on the walls of the school.

Student Speaker

Charles Lynam, DMD, '24

Charles was born and raised in Hunterdon County, New Jersey, did his undergraduate studies at Virginia Tech, and moved down to Pawleys Island, South Carolina shortly after. During his time at Temple, Charles was heavily involved with the Student Council and had the honor of serving as Class President and Student Body President. Charles also served as the Periodontology Study Club President and was an executive board member for the Alpha Omega Fraternity and the Temple Dental Alumni Association.

When he is not studying for an upcoming exam or working in the clinic, Charles enjoys spending time with friends, exercising, sitting down at the piano, and getting out on the golf course.

Following graduation, Charles will be moving back down to the Low Country, South Carolina, to begin practicing as a general dentist.



The Dentist Pledge

I, (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 safe 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 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.

Certificate of Dental Specialties

Advanced Education in General Dentistry

Rusul Albazi+
Tayseer Albustami
Mohand Alruwaili
Christine Ibrahim
Omar Kmala
Aleksandra Komogortseva
Anette Barbara Mirabal
Tariq Mirza
Leela Devi Sivaraj

Dental Public Health

Sirisha Botta
Jaspaljeet Kaur
Saranya Murukutla

Endodontics

Jeffrey Asano+
Wen Hu+
Aysel Iranparvar+
Pil Kwon+
Chloe Lee+

Orthodontics

Katie Alexander+
Nina Golojuch+
Jenna Herr+
Corey Moletsky+
Amanda Noyek+
Daniel Seebold+

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Christopher Smith

Periodontology

Khaled Alnajdi+
Shamus Gartley+
Andriy Leshkiv+
Shane Shafi+

Master of Science

Oras Antwan
Aavishi Arora
Ghazal Ghassemi
Samuel Riad Mina
Ifeyanyi David Okoye
Tanvi Shyamsundar Pangam
Vrunda Patel
Anusha Solanki

+Master of Science

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Doctor of Dental Medicine

Noor Abduraheem
Louis Vincent Abenante*
Adekorede Joan Achraf Adechoubou***
Kripa Sandeep Agarwal***
Bella Busra Akkaya
Mohamad Almalla***
Hanan Alzeer
Kevin Artis**
Talia Ashtyn***
Khrystyna Babenko
Danielle Althea Bassaragh**
Linden Bennetch***
Alexandra N. Bergren
Jasleen Kaur Bhogal***
Megan Bralski***
Stephanie Brooke Braun
Frido William Buschmann
Ryan John Bydalek
Caleb Wayne Campbell***
Megan Carey***
Timothy Carter***
Nhu-Y Nguyen Chau***
Alvin Shi Qiang Chen***
Eric Chen
Taewon Tad Cho**
Pooja Jitendra Chothani***
Jen-Hsuan Chu***
Julia Marie Classen***
Michael Francis Clemens***
Ryanna A. Comelli***
Alexandra Costello
Danny Dahan
James Lee Dalgarn III***
Husain A M R Dashti***
Paula Vanessa Demings*
Trisha Dhimant Desai
Rashmi Ashok Devadiga*
Hiralben Dilipbhai Dholakiya***
Annie Dinh
Skye Elizabeth Douglas***
Dylan Walker Downs
Miraj Dudhat
Vivien Rose Ebert*
John Elias Fadel***
Christian Yeong Fan***
John F. Feril
Andrew Karl Freund**
Orly Shira Freund***
Jaspreet K. Gadia***
Jocelyn Elizabeth George***
David Jose Gonzalez
Melina Good***
Carly Taylor Greenstein***

Jessica Lu Guo
Shawn A. Gupta
Alexander Ian Hamm***
Erik Hans Peder Hansen***
Gun Heo
Kort Alexander Highducheck*
Anthony Tuan Hoang
Paige Alexandria Hodges***
Ho Jung Hwang**
Alexis Cherise Hyacinthe
Mark Hany Iskander**
Ariel Hyemin Jeong***
Jin Xia Jiang***
Won Sik Jung**
Kunal Nirav Kadakia
Thomas Alexander Kadar***
Jack Alden Kalloch
Safa Kamal**
Abdul Walli Kazi
Summer Khan**
Komal Khandelwal***
Hansol Kim***
Jaewoo Kim
Mina Jeongmin Kim
Shinyoung Kim
Zachary Victor Kulliver
Ae Ji Kwon***
Beatriz Lara*
Tam Thi Le
Taylor Leckemby***
Alexander Lee
Tatum Adette Lutz***
Charles Hardin Lynam**
James Martinez**
Beneshia Ann Mathew***
Emily Marie Mathewson***
Anthony Mazzone***
Jessica Melnikov***
Rocco Joseph Mesoraca III***
Jessica Louise Micale*
Deyanira Morgado**
Ahmed Ali Mostafa***
Monica Nashaat Nessim
Teresa Tho O'Brien*
Sophia Oak***
Abiodun Ayomide Oni
Kelechi Adaeze Onyejiaka
Benjamin Kanter Para
Youjin Park***
Alexa Parrish
Pashali Pashaliyev
Aditi Patel
Anu Patel

Bina Patel***
Jaymin Patel
Jigar Patel**
Koonal S. Patel
Ruchi Patel**
Rutvik Patel*
Zachary Thomas Pettoruto**
Joseph Gregory Pirozzi***
Enri Profka***
Evan Morgan Rider
Eric Rockwell
Belinda Beatriz Rodriguez
Maria Del Pilar Rodriguez Acosta***
Taylor Renee Runkle
Hasan Sandhu
Kara Elaine Sanford**
Sonam Ragini Saxena*
Douglas S. Schultz
Kailea Elizabeth Schwartz***
Fauzia Sedaa***
Shivani Shah
Mohammad Saboor Shahid
Faizan Rafique Shaikh***
Mahad Nadeem Shamsi
Leonardo Nicolas Shin**
Abhikumar Ashokkumar Shingala
Kadiatou Sow***
Patrick John Speitel
Theresa Stefaniak
Madeleine McKnight Taylor***
Theodore Thakesh Udaipaul
David Joseph Vaccaro
Evan Voss
Hannah Michele Wagner***
Lakshmi Vineela Yenikepati***
Timothy P. Yi
Allison Yu
Jaclyn Grace Zaccaro***
Tal Zamir***
Markiyan Zaporozhets
Priya Samir Zaveri***

*** summa cum laude

** magna cum laude

* cum laude

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Award Recipients

Academy of General Dentistry
presented to two students who have shown the
greatest promise of being outstanding
general practitioners
MIRAJ J. DUDHAT • JAEWOO KIM

**Academy of Osseointegration
Outstanding Student
in Implant Dentistry Award**
presented to the most outstanding student
in implant dentistry
TAYLOR RENEE RUNKLE

**American Academy
of Esthetic Dentistry Student Award**
for outstanding achievement in the pursuit of
excellence in the undergraduate study
of esthetic dentistry
MOHAMAD ALMALLA

**American Academy
of Implant Dentistry Award**
presented the student for outstanding
achievement, both academically and clinically,
in implant dentistry
FAUZIA KHALED SEDAA

**American Academy of Oral &
Maxillofacial Pathology Award**
presented to the student for exemplary aptitude
and achievement in oral and
maxillofacial pathology
FAUZIA KHALED SEDAA

**American Academy of Oral &
Maxillofacial Radiology Award**
presented to the student who has shown
exceptional interest and accomplishment
in oral and maxillofacial radiology
FAUZIA KHALED SEDAA

**American Academy
of Oral Medicine Award**
presented to the student who has shown the
greatest achievement, proficiency and promise
in the field of oral medicine
MEGAN CAREY

**American Academy
of Pediatric Dentistry Award**
presented to the student who is the most
outstanding in the field of pediatric dentistry
as chosen by the faculty
TAL ZAMIR

**American Academy
of Periodontology Dental
Student Achievement Award**
presented to the student who has displayed the
highest level of academic and
clinical excellence in periodontics
ALVIN CHEN

**American Association
of Endodontists Award**
presented to the student demonstrating
exceptional ability in the area of endodontics
CALEB WAYNE CAMPBELL

**American Association
of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons
Dental Student Award**
presented to a student for outstanding
performance in undergraduate study and clinical
training in the area of implant placement
JULIA MARIE CLASSEN

**American Association
of Orthodontists Award**
presented to the student who has demonstrated
exceptional interest in the development of the
oro-facial complex
PAIGE ALEXANDRIA HODGES

Award Recipients

**American Association
of Public Health Dentistry Award**
presented to the student who has demonstrated
special interest and achievement in community
dentistry and dental public health
PAULA VANESSA DEMINNGS

**American College of Dentists
Outstanding Student Leader Award**
presented to the student who has displayed
outstanding leadership, scholastic performance,
and potential for impact on the profession of
dentistry while a dental student
MEGAN CAREY

**American College
of Prosthodontists Award**
presented to the student who has shown high
academic and clinical proficiency
in prosthodontics
CALEB WAYNE CAMPBELL

**American Dental Society
of Anesthesiology
“Horace Wells” Award**
presented to the student who has demonstrated
proficiency in the field
of dental anesthesiology
SHAWN GUPTA

**American Prosthodontic Society
Student of Merit Award**
presented to the student who has demonstrated
the highest level of clinical proficiency and
greatest interest in prosthodontic dentistry
TAYLOR RENEE RUNKLE

**Cary Klimen, D.D.S.
Class of 1966 Ethics Award**
presented to the student who exhibits personal
values and actions that demonstrate
integrity and ethics
RYAN JOHN BYDALEK

**Dean’s Award for Exemplary Care
for Patients in Cluster 1**
JASPREET GADRIA

**Dean’s Award for Exemplary Care
for Patients in Cluster 2A**
TIMOTHY CARTER

**Dean’s Award for Exemplary Care
for Patients in Cluster 2B**
BENESHIA ANN MATHEW

**Dean’s Award for Exemplary Care
for Patients in Cluster 3**
JOSEPH GREGORY PIROZZI

**Delaware Valley Society of Oral &
Maxillofacial Surgeons Award
for Clinical Excellence**
presented to the student who has displayed
superior clinical excellence in the discipline of
oral and maxillofacial surgery
CALEB WAYNE CAMPBELL

**Delaware Valley Society of Oral &
Maxillofacial Surgeons Award
for Implantology**
presented to the student who has displayed
clinical excellence in the area of oral and
maxillofacial implantology
TAEWON CHO

**Dental Lifeline Network
Brian D. Stone Memorial Award**
presented to the student who has exhibited a
proven commitment to community volunteerism
or helping people with special needs
ABIODUN AYOMIDE ONI

**Dr. Allen L. Finkelstein D.D.S.
Tree of Peace Award**
presented to the student who
embodies the spirit behind the Tree of Peace
JIN XIA JIANG

Award Recipients

**Dr. Anthony A. Campanella
Scholarship Award**

presented to a graduating dental student from New Jersey who has demonstrated academic achievement and intends to practice general dentistry
MICHAEL CLEMENS

Dr. Benjamin D. Homer Award

presented to the student who has demonstrated scholastic excellence and who exemplifies the qualities and ideals of integrity and civility by which Dr. Benjamin D. Homer lived
CALEB WAYNE CAMPBELL

**Dr. Gregory A. Kurman Award
for Compassionate Care**

presented to a student who exemplifies compassion and empathy and who provides superior dental care
ALEX COSTELLO

Dr. Jay H. Eshleman Award

presented to a student who demonstrated an exemplary lifestyle during their four years of study, taking into account scholarship, department ethics and pre-professional demeanor, in preparation to enter the profession of dentistry
TAL ZAMIR

**Dr. Jeanne Craig Sinkford
Student Leadership Award**

for demonstrating effective leadership and a commitment to serving diverse communities
CHARLES LYNAM

**Edward B. & Arnold R. Cook
Prize in Dentistry**

awarded to two students who have demonstrated exceptional ability in the field of pediatric dentistry
**ZACHARY KULLIVER
PRIYA SAMIR ZAVERI**

**Howard Carson, D.M.D., Award
for Excellence in Oral &
Maxillofacial Surgery**

presented to the student who has excelled in oral and maxillofacial surgery, and will continue on to an oral and maxillofacial surgery residency
KEVIN ARTIS

**International College of Dentists,
USA Section Humanitarian Award**

presented to the student who is an outstanding example of altruistic leadership in promoting and serving humanitarian projects
TIMOTHY CARTER

**International College of Dentists,
USA Section Leadership Award**

presented to the student who has demonstrated the greatest professional growth, development, and outstanding leadership during four years of dental school
AE JI KWON

**International Congress
of Oral Implantologists**

Student Achievement Award

presented to the student who displayed the greatest interest and commitment to oral implantology and implant dentistry
CALEB WAYNE CAMPBELL

**Irving P. Shire, D.D.S.,
Memorial Award**

presented to a student who has demonstrated the highest level of clinical proficiency and integrity and who is entering one of the federal dental services
YOUJIN PARK

Isadore Auerbach Memorial Award

presented to the student whose academic record, clinical excellence, and moral character most nearly exemplify Dr. Isadore Auerbach
FAUZIA KHALED SEDAA

Award Recipients

**Martin N. Kravitt, D.D.S.,
Class Of 1944 Award**

presented to the student displaying excellence
in clinical ability

ALVIN CHEN

**Northeastern Society
of Periodontists Award**

presented to the student that has
excelled in the field of periodontics

RYANNA COMELLI

**Omicron Kappa Upsilon
Dental Honor Society Award**

for scholastic achievement and exemplary character

JOAN ACHRAF ADECHOUBOU

CALEB WAYNE CAMPBELL

MEGAN CAREY

TIMOTHY CARTER

ALVIN CHEN

JULIA MARIE CLASSEN

ALEX COSTELLO

JAMES LEE DALGARN III

MELINA GOOD

PAIGE ALEXANDRIA HODGES

JIN XIA JIANG

JESSICA MELNIKOV

AHMED MOSTAFA

MARIA RODRIGUEZ ACOSTA

HANNAH MICHELE WAGNER

ALLISON YU

JACLYN GRACE ZACCARO

TAL ZAMIR

**Philadelphia County
Dental Society Student Award**

presented to the most outstanding member of the
Class of 2024, as determined by the faculty

JAMES LEE DALGARN III

**R. Ralph Bresler, M.D.,
Memorial Award**

presented to the student who has exhibited
outstanding empathy for pediatric patients and a
desire to put patients first

KAILEA ELIZABETH SCHWARTZ

**Sharon X. Wang, D.M.D.,
Memorial Dental Award**

presented to a female student who has displayed
academic excellence during her four years of
dental school and plans to practice
general dentistry

BENESHIA ANN MATHEW

**Sigma Epsilon Delta
Dental Fraternity's**

Dr. Leon S. Brenner Award

presented to a student who has excelled
in operative dentistry

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