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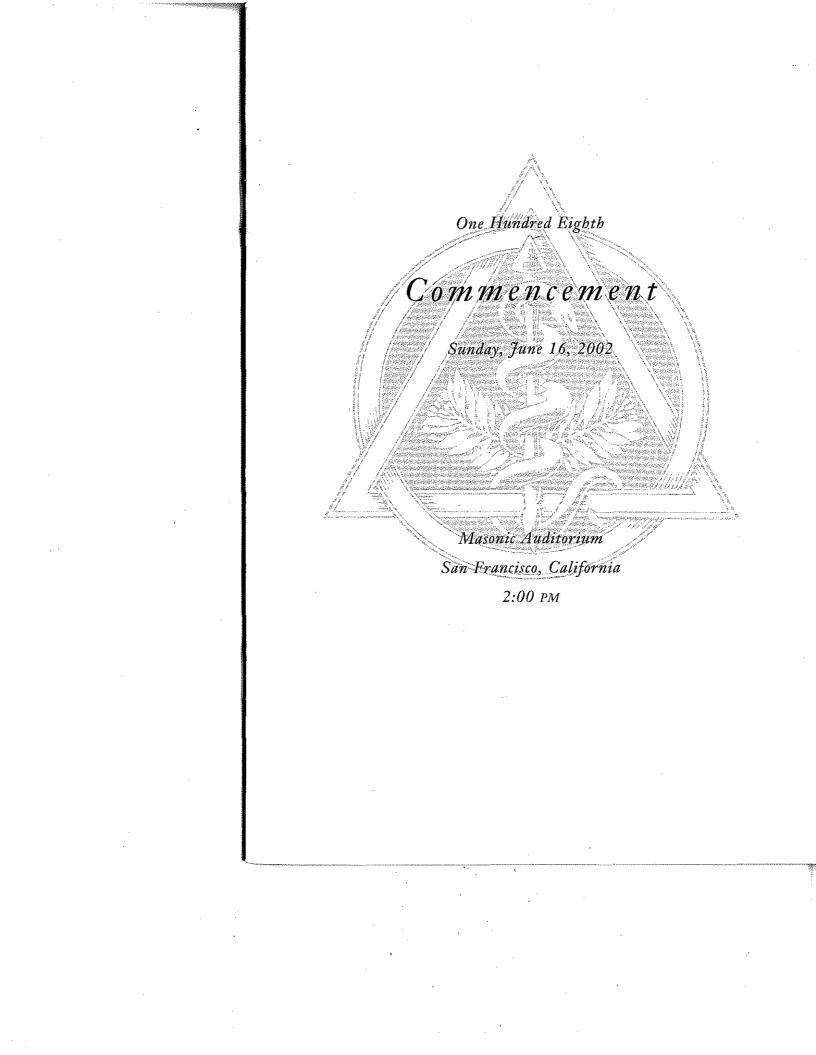
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he University of the Pacific School of Dentistry, is one of the premiere dental schools in the nation and has served the Bay Area community for one hundred and six years. The years surrounding the turn of the twentieth century were packed with potential. Momentous experiments heralded both the fulfillment of dreams and the beginning of creations that promised to forever change the world around them. In 1895, for example, Marconi introduced the wireless telegraph, ushering in a new age of communication. That same year, Roentgen discovered x-rays; and a scant eight years later, Orville Wright took the first airplane ride. Something momentous was also about to take flight in San Francisco. A local war hero named Dr. Charles Boxton came home to nurture his dream of founding a high quality private dental school.

Founded in 1896 as the College of Physicians and Surgeons (known as P&S), the school's curriculum originally included programs in dentistry, medicine, and pharmacy. The college announced to its Northern California public and to the world, "It will, at all times, be the purpose of this school to elevate the profession through its students." Dr. Boxton presided as the first dean of P&S and served briefly as mayor of San Francisco. In 1918, during Dr. Boxton's tenure as dean, the college focused its educational program solely on dentistry.

The school grew and developed right along with its city, its students, and the profession. In the one hundred and six years since Dr. Boxton drove his horse and buggy down a cobble stoned Market Street, of course, much has changed in the city. Highrise buildings now punctuate the skyline, and world-famous bridges span across our waters. In fact, if the first dean were to visit us today, he would not recognize the advanced equipment, the high-tech instruments, or the gleaming state-of-the-art facility; and he certainly would have a hard time parking that buggy on Sacramento or Webster Streets. The one thing Dr. Boxton would not be surprised to see is how his dental school has prospered.

The original P&S campus, located at Fourth and Howard Streets near the present day Moscone Center, was completely destroyed by the 1906 earthquake and fire. As a result, the campus moved to its Fourteenth Street location in the heart of the Mission District, where it operated from 1906 until 1967. In 1962, the College of Physicians and Surgeons amalgamated with the University of the Pacific. A new facility for the new University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry, was constructed in 1967 on the corner of Sacramento and Webster Streets in San Francisco, where the school stands today. It was the first complete replacement of a dental school facility to be dedicated in the University federal aid-to-education funds.

With a remarkable capacity for innovation and adaptation, the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry has thrived through earthquakes and wars, legislation and depression, to forge and maintain its longstanding reputation for producing excellence in scientific and clinical training. At the same time, the school has built a parallel reputation for encouraging diversity, accessibility, and opportunity, which has formed a strong sense of community. This translates to a special concern for people which prevails among students, faculty, alumni, and supporters. Today, both of these traditions of

excellence and of caring combines to form UOP's guiding philosophy of humanism. A model of humanistic education that is second to none! Where professors teach, faculty care, and students learn.

"Every piece of marble has a statue in it waiting to be released by someone of sufficient skills to chip away the unnecessary parts. Just as a sculptor is to marble, so is education to the soul. It releases it. For only the educated are free. You cannot create a statue by smashing the marble with a hammer, and you cannot by force of arms release the spirit of the soul (of a student)." —Confucius

We are proud of the technical and scientific progress we have achieved at the School of Dentistry, but we are just as proud of the respect for people maintained at every level. The success nurtured and cultivated by the School of Dentistry is a result not only of fine minds but also of fine attitudes. These attitudes are captured in two words—caring and service. Our mission simply is to "build people—along the way, we make them doctors who serve the public."

Today, under the direction of Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni, dean and P&S alumnus, the School of Dentistry is a leader among dental schools, in curriculum, clinical excellence and technology. Students learn through the "humanistic" model of education in a technologically-advanced setting. Dean Dugoni has successfully guided the remodeling of both the facilities and the curriculum and is leading the school into the twentyfirst century dedicated to excellence.

In addition to UOP's strong educational reputation, its dental clinics handle over 200,000 patient visits per year and offer comprehensive dental care in a variety of specialties including pediatric care, orthodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery, periodontics, endodontics, pathology and medicine, prosthodontics, and implants.

## The Dentist's Pledge

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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 safe in the knowledge that their total health and well-being are my first consideration.

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 of 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.

(Approved by the American Dental Association House of Delegates)

## Order of Exercises

PROCESSIONAL Military March No. 1 in D Major, Opus 39 (Pomp and Circumstance) — Sir Edward Elgar

> WELCOME COMMENTS Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni Dean, School of Dentistry

INVOCATION Reverend Joy Preisser Chaplain, University of the Pacific

CHARGE TO THE GRADUATING CLASS Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni Dean, School of Dentistry "Seize the Moment"

### **INTRODUCTION OF THE PLATFORM GUESTS**

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS Dr. Herbert K. Yee Regent, University of the Pacific "Positive Power of an Ideal"

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS AND CONFERRING OF DEGREES Dr. Donald V. DeRosa President, University of the Pacific

> Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni Dean, School of Dentistry

VALEDICTORY ADDRESS Andrew S. Kouvaris

**BENEDICTION** Reverend Joy Preisser *Chaplain, University of the Pacific* 

### RECESSIONAL

Triumphant March from Aida — Giuseppe Verdi David Hunsberger, Organist

## Historical Background of the Mace

Originally a weapon of offense used by a medieval king or great noble, the mace has been refined to symbolize authority during ceremonial occasions. The mace was first used as an academic symbol in the 16th century when Queen Elizabeth I presented a replica of her royal mace to the University of Oxford in 1589, ordering that it be used in all ceremonies to represent the royal presence.

The University of the Pacific instituted use of the mace in its academic ceremonies on Founder's Day, March 6, 1966. Constructed by Stuart Devlin, internationally known silver designer, the four-foot long, 15-pound mace is comprised of silver with gold plating. It was a gift to the University from Mrs. Winifred Raney, University Regent.

## Significance of Academic Regalia

Academic dress was worn daily by university faculties of the Middle Ages. In more recent times, use of complete academic dress has been reserved for ceremonial occasions. While European universities exhibit considerable variation in academic regalia, a standard pattern was adopted for use in the United States more than a half-century ago. Gowns generally are black. A few universities adopted other colors for doctoral gowns: Harvard, crimson; Yale, blue; Chicago, maroon; Dartmouth, forest green.

The field of learning in which the degree was awarded is shown by the color of the edging of the hood and, in some cases, by the color of the facing and crossbars on doctors' gowns. Some of the more frequently seen colors are: white (Arts and Letters), pink (Music), dark blue (Philosophy), light blue (Education), scarlet (Divinity), golden yellow (Science), green (Medicine), olive green (Pharmacy), purple (Law) and lilac (Dentistry).

Colors lining the hood are those of the institutions that awarded the degree. For example, the University of California colors are gold and blue; Stanford University, cardinal; University of Michigan, maize and azure blue; University of the Pacific, burnt orange and black.

An individual's degree is revealed by the type of gown and the width of edging on the hood. Designs are of three kinds:

BACHELORS' GOWNS have full pointed sleeves with no trimming, and the hoods have a twoinch edging.

MASTERS' GOWNS have full sleeves with no trimming, and the hoods have a three-inch edging.

**DOCTORS' GOWNS** are of silk, with rounded sleeves, velvet facing down the front, and three velvet crossbars on each sleeve. Hoods have side panels and a five-inch facing.

Tassels on bachelors' and masters' caps are ordinarily black, but they may be of the color of the field in which the degree was awarded. Doctors' tassels generally are gold. Tassels are properly worn on the left side of the front of the mortarboard.

## Honors

### HIGHEST HONORS

*Valedictorian*, the graduating student with the highest overall grade point average in didactic and clinical courses combined over the entire program.

Andrew S. Kouvaris

### HIGH HONORS

*Omicron Kappa Upsilon*, the national dental honor society, was chartered the Delta Delta Chapter at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1934. The society's purpose is to encourage scholarship and advance ethical standards of the dental profession. Membership is limited to twelve percent of the graduating class on the basis of scholarship and character. Members elected from the Class of 2002:

Charles D. Brodsky Michael D. Brown David W. Butler Cory J. Costanzo Thomas S. Ellerhorst Kerri Font Janmohamed Jaffer Joanne M. Jensen Andrew S. Kouvaris Alexander S. Lim Amy K. Lowe Jonathan D. Miles Rick J. Rawson Kris H. Rosander Sohail Saghezchi Michael D. Trudeau

Member elected from the International Dental Studies Program, Class of 2002:

Elonia Lasku, D.D.S.

### Honors

*Tau Kappa Omega*, an undergraduate honor society in dentistry, was organized at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1927 for promotion of honor and service to the Alma Mater. Students are admitted on the basis of ideals, scholarship, and character. Members elected from the Class of 2002:

Joel A. Abougoush Rene R. Alingog Charles D. Brodsky Michael D. Brown Jared T. Buck David W. Butler Cory J. Costanzo Steven Y. Dodobara Thomas S. Ellerhorst Sean M. Feely Michelle Feliciano-Turner Kerri Font Nava M. Gabbay Brooks B. Horan Lee T. Iverson Janmohamed Jaffer Amin Javid Joanne M. Jensen Eric R. Jewell Thomas A. Kobylarz Andrew S. Kouvaris Nancy K. Kwon Alexander S. Lim Caressa W. Louie Amy K. Lowe Rita Lui Rebecca A. Marsh Joel A. McFaul Julia M. McGary Arvin T. Mehta Jonathan D. Miles Anthony H. Nguyen Madelyn C. Olson Natalie A. Polon Rick J. Rawson Jeffrey J. Rosa Kris H. Rosander Sohail Saghezchi Kenneth J. Schweifler Lance A. Smagalski Phillip J. Sutton Michael D. Trudeau Bartel Van Oostendorp Leah M. Walker Betty Wong

Members elected from the International Dental Studies Program, Class of 2002:

Savita S. Brenner, B.D.S. Smita R. Gala, B.D.S. Elonia Lasku, D.D.S. Minoo Makassebi, D.D.S. Minal Jaydip Mehta, B.D.S.

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## Honors

### HIGH HONORS

*Phi Kappa Phi*, an undergraduate honor society in higher education, was founded in 1897 at the University of Maine. It is the oldest and largest interdisciplinary honor society in existence. Admission to the Honor Society is by invitation only and requires both superior scholarship and good character as criteria for membership. The name Phi Kappa Phi comes from the initial letters of the Greek words forming its adopted motto: Philosophia Krateito Photon, "Let the love of learning rule humanity." Members elected from the Class of 2002:

Michael D. Brown David W. Butler Cory J. Costanzo Thomas S. Ellerhorst Andrew S. Kouvaris Sohail Saghezchi

Member from the International Dental Studies Class of 2002:

Elonia Lasku, D.D.S.

### Joel Audyl Abougoush (honors)

B.S., University of Calgary Future Plans: partnership at Abougoush & Brown Dental Clinic in Calgary, Alberta Canada

Brian Russell Adams B.S., California State Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo Future Plans: private practice

Rene Ricardo Alingog (honors) B.S., University of the Pacific Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry

James Cannon Allen Idabo State University Future Plans: associateship in Pocatello, Idaho

**Farnoush Athari** *B.A., University of the Pacific* Future Plans: private practice

**Douglas Burton Ball** B.A., Brigham Young University B.S., Brigham Young University Future Plans: associateship in Orem, Utah

Judd Frederick Boehme B.S., Brigham Young University Future Plans: purchasing a solo practice in Arizona

Christine Thunhan Boyer A.S., Footbill College Future Plans: associateship in Northern California

**Steven Reed Braithwaite** Brigham Young University Future Plans: associateship or solo practice in Provo, Utah **Charles David Brodsky (high honors)** *University of the Pacific* Future Plans: Graduate Orthodontic program at Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts

Michael Dustin Brown (high honors) B.S., University of Notre Dame Future Plans: Graduate Endodontic program at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

### Jared Thomas Buck (honors)

University of California, Santa Barbara Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of Florida, Jacksonville Clinic

Robert Michael Bull, II B.S., Brigham Young University Future Plans: private practice in Belmont, California

David Walter Butler (high honors) University of the Pacific Future Plans: Graduate Endodontic program at Tufts University, Boston, Massachusetts

Daniel Michael Capponi Saint Mary's College of California Future Plans: associateship with Dr. John Woodward '67 in Napa, California

Christopher Theodore Chan B.S., University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: associateship with his father, Dr. Wesley K. Chan, in San Jose, California

Krithika S. Chellappa B.S., University of California, Irvine Future Plans: associateship

**Jason Chiu Chen** B.S., University of California, Davis Future Plans: associateship in Pleasanton, California

Stanley Phillip Chin B.A., California State University, Long Beach Future Plans: associateship

Jennifer Yun Choi B.S., University of California, Davis Future Plans: private practice

### Paul Chu

B.S., University of California, Davis Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at Columbia University's Presbyterian Hospital, New York

Alexander Borisovich Chukreeff B.S., University of the Pacific Future Plans: associateship

### David Barrett Collier

*B.A., University of Washington* Future Plans: associateship or private practice

## Cory James Costanzo (high honors)

B.S., Santa Clara University Future Plans: Graduate Orthodontic program at the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry

### Steven Yutaka Dodobara (honors)

B.S., Santa Clara University Future Plans: associateship with his father, Dr. Gary Dodobara, in Federal Way, Washington

### Joel Donald Drexel

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: associateship in Los Gatos, California

### Kevin Brian Duquette

*B.A.*, Sonoma State University Future Plans: associateship or private practice

### Thomas Salvatore Ellerhorst (high honors)

B.S., University of San Francisco Future Plans: Graduate Orthodontic program at the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry

## Jeffrey Michael Erickson

B.S., University of Oregon Future Plans: General Practice Residency program at the University of Colorado, Denver, Colorado

## Paul Jen-yao Fan 😗 🖗

B.S., California State Polytechnic University, Pomona Future Plans: associateship in Los Angeles, California

### Sean Michael Feely (honors) University of the Pacific Future Plans: associateship in Orange, California

Michelle Lee Feliciano-Turner (honors) B.A., California State University, Hayward Future Plans: associateship in Danville, California and instructor in the Preclinical Removable Dentistry Department at the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry

### Jason Matthew Fligor

B.S., Whitworth College Future Plans: associateship in Seattle, Washington

### Kerri Font (high honors)

B.S., San Diego State University Future Plans: Graduate Periodontic program in the United States Air Force at Wilfred Hall Medical Center, Texas

### James Alexander Forester

B.S., University of California, Davis Future Plans: associateship

### Joseph Derek Fridgen

B.A., Michigan State University Future Plans: Graduate Pediatric Residency program at Boston University's Goldman School of Dentistry, Boston, Massachusetts

Nava Mahnaz Gabbay (honors) B.A., University of California, Berkeley Future Plans: associateship in San Mateo, California

### Kurt Geisel

B.S., Northern Arizona University Future Plans: associateship in Flagstaff, Arizona

### Neetu Kumari.Gupta

University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at Baylor University, Dallas, Texas

**Renu Gupta** 4.64 B.S., University of California, Irvine Future Plans: associateship

### Kimberly Suzanne Haas

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry

Michael David Hamblin B.A., Sonoma State University Future Plans: associateship or private practice

**Shaya Hamid** *B.S., University of California, Davis* Future Plans: associateship in Oakland, California

Leng Chung Haong University of the Pacific Future Plans: associateship or private practice

### Sepand Hokmabadi

*B.A.*, *University of California*, *Davis* Future Plans: associateship in the San Francisco Bay Area

### Jeffrey David Hom

B.S., University of California, Irvine Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, California

Joshua Sung Bùm Hong B.S., University of Arizona Future Plans: associateships in Mesa and Phoenix, Arizona

### Brooks Bradley Horan (honors)

B.S., University of Washington Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program in the United States Navy, San Diego, California

**Stephen Glenn Howard** *A.A., Ricks College* Future Plans: associateship

Eric W. Hwang 5<sup>CC</sup> B.S., University of the Pacific Future Plans: General Practice Residency program at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California

Kain Kuan-Lin I University of the Pacific Future Plans: associateship or private practice

Lee Todd Iverson (honors) B.S., University of Utah Future Plans: associateship or private practice

Janmohamed Jaffer (high honors) University of the Pacific Future Plans: associateship with his father, Dr. Noralli Jaffer, at Ranchlands Dental Clinic, Calgary, Alberta, Canada

### Amin Javid (honors)

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: associateship in Valencia, California

### Joanne Marie Jensen (high honors)

B.A., University of California, Berkeley Future Plans: General Practice Residency program at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

### Eric Richard Jewell (honors)

B.S., University of Washington Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry

### Monica Prakagh Jhaveri

B.S., University of Southern California Future Plans: associateship in San Diego, California

Lindsay Michelle Johnson B.A., Brigham Young University Future Plans: associateship or private practice

**David Euy-yeol Jou** B.S., University of California, San Diego Future Plans: associateship or private practice

Norman Steven Junio & B.S., University of the Pacific Future Plans: associateship

### Kayvan Kafayi B.S., San Francisco State University Future Plans: associateship in San Francisco, California

### Jean Young Kang

B.A., University of California, Berkeley Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, California

### **Doug Dean Karwoski** *B.S., Plymouth State College* Future Plans: associateship first, then solo practice in the future

### Keith Dewel Kennedy

Mesa Community College Future Plans: associateship with Drs. Driggs and Turley '80 in Mesa, Arizona

### Yeong Woo Kim

B.S., University of California, Davis Future Plans: associateship

### Shellese Antoinette King

B.S., University of California, Irvine Future Plans: General Practice Residency program at the Greater Los Angeles Veteran's Administration Medical Center, Los Angeles, California

### Thomas Allen Kobylarz (honors)

B.S., Montana State University Future Plans: General Practice Residency program at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center, San Francisco, California

Andrew Sokratis Kouvaris (highest honors) B.S., Santa Clara University Future Plans: Graduate Orthodontic program at the University of the Pacific,

### Jane Yi-Cheng Kuo B.S., University of the Pacific Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of the

School of Dentistry

San Francisco

Pacific, School of Dentistry Nancy Kyu Kwon (honors) B.A., University of California, Berkeley Future Plans: Graduate Pediatric Residency program at the University of California,

Michael Hoyeung Lai B.S., University of the Pacific Future Plans: associateship

Laura Daria Cristina Lawson B.S., University of California, Santa Barbara Future Plans: associateship

### Alexander See Lim (high honors)

University of the Pacific Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry

**Caressa Wei Louie (honors)** *B.S., University of the Pacific* Future Plans: solo practice

Amy Kathleen Lowe (high honors) University of Utab Future Plans: associateship or private practice

### Rita Lui

B.S., University of California, Irvine Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of California, San Francisco, California

### Jennifer Quyen Luu

University of California, Davis Future Plans: associateship in Cupertino, California

### Peter Mani

B.S., University of the Pacific Future Plans: associateship

### Rebecca Anne Marsh (honors)

University of California, Davis Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry Michael Vernon McEntire, II Mesa Community College Future Plans: solo practice in Pinetop, Arizona

Joel Arthur McFaul (honors) University of San Diego Future Plans: associateship or private practice

### Julia Marie McGary (honors) A.S., Everett Community College Future Plans: associateship in Granite Falls, Washington

### Arvin Tinish Mehta (honors)

University of the Pacific Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry

### Jonathan David Miles (high honors)

Utab State University Future Plans: solo practice in Smithfield, Utah

### Zahra Modaressi

B.S., Shiraz University of Medical Sciences, Iran Future Plans: associateship

### Nazanin Montakhab

University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of California, San Francisco.

### Sydney June Moore

B.S., California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo Future Plans: Graduate Pediatric Residency program at Boston University's Goldman School of Dentistry, Boston, Massachusetts

Daniel S. Nam B.A., University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: associateship

Maryam A. Nassiri B.A., San Francisco State University Future Plans: associateship

Carter Kar Tat Ng B.S., Fraser University Future Plans: associateship in Vancouver, British Columbia

Anthony Hoang Nguyen (honors) B.A., University of California, Berkeley Future Plans: associateships in Foster City and San Mateo, California

Nam Hoai Nguyen University of California, Davis Future Plans: associateship or private practice

Madelyn Carol Olson (honors) B.A., University of California, Berkeley Future Plans: associateship

Russell Benjamin Cooper Owens B.S., University of California, San Diego Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program in the United States Air Force at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio

**Steve Hung-Yi Pai** B.S., San Diego State University Future Plans: associateship or private practice

Susan Mekyung Park B.A., Bowdoin College Future Plans: Graduate Periodontic program at Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, Oregon Nancy Pashayan B.S., University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: associateship in Los Angeles, California

Naman Bhailal Patel University of the Pacific Future Plans: working for one year in an underserved county of California through the Delta Dental Outreach program

Natalie Ann Polon (honors) B.S., University of California, San Diego Future Plans: Graduate Pediatric Residency program at Cincinnati Children's Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio

Steven Richard Pulido University of California, Davis Future Plans: associateship/partnership in the San Francisco Bay Area

Rick James Rawson (high honors) B.A., University of California, Berkeley Future Plans: Graduate Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery program at Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, California

**Gregory Michael Ray** B.S., University of Arizona Future Plans: associateship

Elyse Susan Resnick B.A., University of Colorado, Boulder Future Plans: associateship in the Los Angeles, California area

Roena Uriarte Romero B.S., University of California, San Diego Future Plans: associateship

Jeffrey Jason Rosa (honors) B.A., University of California, Santa Barbara Future Plans: associateship with his father, Dr. Martyn Rosa '65 in Sacramento, California

### **Benjamin Abillar Rosales**

University of the Pacific Future Plans: General Practice Residency program at the University Medical Center, Fresno, California

### Kris Hall Rosander (high honors)

B.S., Brigham Young University Future Plans: associateship in Salt Lake City, Utah

### Sohail Saghezchi (high honors)

University of California, Davis Future Plans: private practice with his father, Dr. Khalil Saghezchi '88 in Cupertino, California

### Eleazar Viray Santiago

*B.A., California State University, Hayward* Future Plans: associateship or private practice

# Joy Marie Schuitman Marie San Jose State University

Future Plans: associateship in Virginia Beach, Virginia

### Kenneth John Schweifler (honors)

B.S., California State Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo Future Plans: private practice

### **Ruth Miri Shifman**

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: start-up practice in Simi Valley, California

### Harveen Kaur Singh

*University of the Pacific* Future Plans: associateship or private practice

### Lance Aron Smagalski (honors)

University of California, Santa Barbara Future Plans: Graduate Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery program at Washington Hospital Center, Washington, D.C.

### Matthew Aaron Stratman

B.S., University of Arizona Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at El Rio Health Center, Tucson, Arizona

### Allen William Summerlin

A.A., Arkansas State University, Beebe Future Plans: associateship at the Cherokee Nation Tribal Health Redbird Clinic, Sallisaw, Oklahoma

### Pooja Suresh

B.S., Arizona State University Future Plans: associateship with her parents, Drs. Mysore & Usha Suresh, in Chandler, Arizona

### Phillip Jonathan Sutton (honors)

B.S., Brigham Yoùng University Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program in the United States Navy, Parris Island, South Carolina

### David Hy Khan Tran

B.S., University of California, Irvine Future Plans: associateship in the Los Angeles County area

Michael Dan Trudeau (high honors)

Dentistry program in the United States Navy, San Diego, California

### Anh-Thu Ngoc Truong

University of California, Irvine Future Plans: associateship in Southern California

### Wandy Wan-Lang Tsai

B.S., University of Washington Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of the Pacific, School of Dentistry

### Linh Ngoc Van

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: Graduate Pediatric Residency program at Boston University's Goldman School of Dentistry, Boston, Massachusetts

### Bartel Van Oostendorp (honors)

Mesa Community College Future Plans: partnership with Dr. Matt Baker '90 at Gilbert Road Dental Care in Mesa, Arizona

### Ashish Jayprakash Vashi

B.S., University of California, San Diego Future Plans: associateship

Jonathon 'Tyler Wagner B.S., University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: associateship

### Leah Marie Walker (honors)

B.S., University of Southern California Future Plans: associateship at the Gallatin Dental Group in Downey, California

### Roger Hsieh West

B.S., Brigham Young University Future Plans: associateship with his mother, Dr. Amy Hsieh West in San Gabriel, California

### Max Phillip Wilson

University of the Pacific Future Plans: associateship in the San Francisco Bay Area

### Scott Paul Wilson

B.S., Brigham Young University Future Plans: group practice in Las Vegas, Nevada

### Betty Wong (honors)

B.S., University of California, Berkeley Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at Baylor College of Dentistry, Dallas, Texas

### Lynne My-Linh Wong

B.S., San Francisco State University Future Plans: associateship

### **Candice Lorraine Yee**

B.S., Pacific Union College Future Plans: associateship with her family at Yee Dental Care in Sacramento, California

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### SCHOLARSHIP

Arthur Roscoe McDowell Award Highest scholarship Andrew S. Kouvaris

Dean's Award Second highest scholarship Sohail Saghezchi

Harry H. Hilp Award Third bigbest scholarship Michael D. Brown David W. Butler

### Clinical Excellence Award Highest clinical scholarship Michael D. Brown David W. Butler

**Restorative Dentistry Award** *Highest restorative dentistry scholarship* Andrew S. Kouvaris

### **OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AND SERVICE**

Academy of Dental Materials Greatest promise in dental materials Nava M. Gabbay

Academy of Dentistry for Persons with Disabilities/Special Care Dentistry Award Exceptional demonstrated competence in treating patients with HIV Arvin T. Mehta

Academy of General Dentistry Greatest promise in general dentistry Jared T. Buck

Academy of Operative Dentistry Outstanding achievement Anthony H. Nguyen

Cecil Adams Award Outstanding achievement in oral and maxillofacial surgery Rick J. Rawson

Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity Bay Area Alumni Award Andrew S. Kouvaris Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity Highest scholarship Andrew S. Kouvaris

American Academy of Dental Practice Administration Outstanding achievement Jennifer Y. Choi

American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry Exceptional interest and achievement Lee T. Iverson

American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology Exceptional interest and accomplishment Rebecca A. Marsh

American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Exceptional interest and accomplishment Paul Chu

American Academy of Oral Medicine Outstanding achievement Joanne M. Jensen

American Academy of Orofacial Pain Excellence in the management of temporomandibular disorders and orofacial pain Scott P. Wilson

American Academy of Periodontology Outstanding performance Kerri Font

American Association of Endodontists Clinical endodontics Michael D. Brown

American Association of Oral Biologists Greatest achievement and potential in oral biology Sohail Saghezchi

American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Exemplary aptitude and achievement Rick J. Rawson

American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Outstanding achievement in the study of implants in dentistry Kevin B. Duquette

American Association of Orthodontists Interest in orofacial development Charles D. Brodsky

American Association of Public Health Dentistry Interest and achievement in community dentistry Michelle L. Feliciano-Turner

American College of Dentists, Northern California Section Exemplary professionalism Janmohamed Jaffer American College of Prosthodontists, California Section Academic excellence in prosthodontics Jared T. Buck

American Dental Society of Anesthesiology Ability in pain control Charles D. Brodsky

American Equilibration Society Occlusion and temporomandibular joint function Michael D. Trudeau

American Society of Dentistry for Children Clinical pediatric dentistry Natalie A. Polon

American Student Dental Association Award Outstanding leadership and service Paul Chu

Louise C. Ball Leadership Award Leadership and service Brian R. Adams

Eleanor Bushee American Association of Women Dentists Award Academic excellence and outstanding leadership Amy K. Lowe

Eric B. Bystrom Memorial Pediatric Dentistry Award Excellence in dentistry for children Michelle L. Feliciano-Turner

California Dental Association Professional attitude, integrity, and promise of leadership Michael D. Brown

James A. Campbell, Jr. Omicron Kappa Upsilon Award Demonstrated excellence in dental radiology Paul Chu

Kevin Campbell Alumni Service Award Outstanding service Judd F. Boehme

Colgate-Palmolive Clinical Research Award Outstanding capabilities in clinical research Amy K. Lowe

Community Service Award Significant contributions to community outreach programs Brian R. Adams Krithika S. Chellapa Paul Chu Michelle L. Feliciano-Turner Neetu K. Gupta Renu Gupta Joel A. McFaul Ruth M. Shifman Linh N. Van Candice L. Yee

Comprehensive Patient Care Awards Outstanding performance James C. Allen Amy K. Lowe

**Delta Sigma Delta Dental Fraternity** Nu Nu member(s) with outstanding character, qualifications, and attitude Michael D. Brown

Dental Auxiliary Utilization Award Four handed dentistry Joel A. Abougoush

F. Gene Dixon Delta Dental Award Leadership, service and scholarship Brian A. Adams Dentsply/ADA Student Clinician Program Award Outstanding clinical research Sohail Saghezchi

Charles A. Ertola Award Clinical removable prosthodontics Bartel Van Oostendorp

Pierre Fauchard Academy Senior Student Award Leadership and dedication to the advancement of dentistry Michelle L. Feliciano-Turner

**Pierre Fauchard Academy Foundation Scholarship** One of the five selected nationally as a potential leader of the profession Jared T. Buck

Pierre Fauchard Academy Student Scholarship Award Outstanding leadership and service Jeffrey J. Rosa

William W. Y. Goon Omicron Kappa Upsilon Award Excellence in endodontics, interdisciplinary clinical sciences, and student scholarship Andrew S. Kouvaris

Norma T. and Robert G. Grosso Endowment Award Interest and promise as a dental educator Brian R. Adams Ashish J. Vashi

Garrett Guess Valedictorian Award Highest scholarship Andrew S. Kouvaris

Thomas B. Hartzell Award Clinical periodontics Thomas S. Ellerhorst

Hawaiian Award Outstanding clinical performance Arvin T. Mehta

International College of Dentists, U.S.A. Section Greatest professional growth and development Lee T. Iverson

International Congress of Oral Implantologists Highest commitment and interest in oral implantology and implant dentistry Amy K. Lowe

Lasky Family Endowment Pediatric Award Outstanding student planning to pursue a career in pediatric dentistry Natalie A. Polon

Charles G. Lee Award Management and dentistry for children Janmohamed Jaffer

### National Dean's List Award

Exceptional scholastic achievement Charles D. Brodsky Michael D. Brown David W. Butler Cory J. Costanzo Thomas S. Ellerhorst Kerri Font Janmohamed Jaffer Joanne M. Jensen Andrew S. Kouvaris Alexander S. Lim Amy K. Lowe Jonathan D. Miles Kris H. Rosander Rick J. Rawson Sohail Saghezchi

Northern California Academy of Endodontists Outstanding capabilities in endodontics David W. Butler

Organization of Teachers of Oral Diagnosis Excellence and promise in the field of oral diagnosis Thomas S. Ellerhorst

Orthodontic Alumni Award Outstanding interest, accomplishment, and promise in orthodontics Thomas S. Ellerhorst

Pacific Oral Pathology Laboratory Award Interest, accomplishment, and promise Rebecca A. Marsh

Quintessence Book Awards Research achievement Sohail Saghezchi Clinical periodontics Michelle L. Feliciano-Turner Clinical restorative dentistry Kris H. Rosander

Radiology Faculty Award Outstanding performance in radiology James C. Allen

**San Francisco Dental Society Ethics Award** *Ethics and professionalism in the care and treatment of patients* Kenneth J. Schweifler

Student Research Competition Awards First Place Sohail Saghezchi Second Place

Alexander S. Lim

Charles, Charles, Jr. and Joe Sweet Pedodontic Award Dentistry for children David W. Butler Minal L. Fichadia Joseph D. Fridgen Brooks B. Horan Nancy K. Kwon Sydney J. Moore Natalie A. Polon Linh N. Van

**Teledyne-Water Pik Award** 

Excellence in prosthodontics Amy K. Lowe

Dr. Arden Velasek Memorial Award

Interest and accomplishment in the field of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Lance A. Smalgaski

A. W. Ward Award Excellence in clinical fixed prosthodontics Jonathan D. Miles Frederick T. West Orthodontic Award Clinical and didactic excellence in orthodontics Cory J. Costanzo

### Fred T. West Research Award

Outstanding commitment to and capability in orthodontic research Andrew S. Kouvaris

Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities Scholarship and leadership Natalie A. Polon

Xi Psi Phi Supreme Chapter Award Highest grade point average in the chapter Rene R. Alingog

Herbert K. Yee Scholarship Awards Need, character, and scholarship Michael D. Brown David W. Butler Andrew S. Kouvaris Amy K. Lowe Jonathan D. Miles Sohail Saghezchi

## International Dental Studies Program Doctor of Dental Surgery 2002

Olga M. Belova D.D.S., MMI of Stomatology, Russia Future Plans: associateship in the Sunnyvale/San Jose area

**Rikramjit Brar** B.D.S., K.L.E., Society's Institute of Dental Sciences, India Future Plans: partnership in Las Vegas, Nevada

Savita Suryawanshi Brenner (honors) B.D.S., Government Dental College and Hospital, India Future Plans: associateship

Aman Dhillon B.D.S., College of Dental Surgery, India Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, California

Smita Rupesh Gala (honors) B.D.S., Bharti Vidyapeeth's Dental College and Hospital, India Future Plans: associateship in the San Francisco Bay Area

Anagha Sudhakar Joshi B.D.S., Bharati Vidyapeeth's Dental College and Hospital, India Future Plans: associateship

Shakeela Nawaz Khan B.D.S., De-Monthorency College of Dentistry, Pakistan Future Plans: associateship in Fremont, California

**Dorina Kramer** D.M.D., University of Medicine & Pharmacology School of Dental Studies, Romania Future Plans: private practice in Germany Elonia Lasku (highest honors) D.D.S., University of Tirana, Albania Future Plans: associateship in Arizona

Minoo Makassebi (honors) 10 D.D.S., Mashhad University School of Dentistry, Iran Future Plans: associateship

Anne Mathew B.D.S., College of Dental Surgery, Mangalore University, India Future Plans: associateship

Minal Jaydip Mehta (honors) B.D.S., Nair Hospital Dental College, India Future Plans: associateship or private practice

Iselsa Josafina Mota D.D.S., University Central of the East, Dominican Republic Future Plans: associateship or private practice

Allan Paolo Vitug Pineda D.M.D., Centro Escolar University College of Dentistry, Philippines Future Plans: associateship at Pier One Dental Office in Chicago, Illinois

**Preet Sahota** B.D.S., Bapuji Dental College and Hospital, India Future Plans: associateship or private practice

Sandra Claire Spengler D.M.D., University of the East, Philippines Future Plans: associateship or partnership in Las Vegas or Reno, Nevada

## International Dental Studies Program Awards

Dean's Award Highest Scholarship Elonia Lasku, D.D.S.

International Dental Studies Award Outstanding diplomacy and leadership Elonia Lasku, D.D.S.

**Comprehensive Patient Care Award** *Outstanding performance* Smita R. Gala, B.D.S.

Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities Scholarship and leadership, International Dental Studies Program Elonia Lasku, D.D.S.

## Advanced Education in General Dentistry Certificate 2002

### Jeremy Ryan Bold

B.S., University of Arizona D.D.S., University of the Pacific AEGD Certificate, University of the Pacific Future plans: associateship or private practice

### Charles Drury

B.S., University of California, Riverside D.D.S., University of the Pacific Future plans: private practice in California

### Nhi Nguyen

B.S., University of California, Irvine D.D.S., Northwestern University Future plans: associateship or private practice

### Jun Young Park

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles D.D.S., Northwestern University AEGD Certificate, University of the Pacific Future plans: associateship or private practice

### Nancy Dung Phan

B.S., University of California, Davis D.D.S., University of California, San Francisco Future plans: Graduate Orthodontics program at St. Barnabas Hospital in New York, New York

### **Stephanie Salter**

*B.A., Vanderbilt University D.D.S., Northwestern University* Future plans: moving to Tennessee, hopes to work at Fort Campbell, Kentucky

### John Michael Savko

B.S., California Lutheran University D.D.S., University of the Pacific Future plans: associateship or private practice

### Tanvi Shah

B.A., University of California, Berkeley D.D.S., Columbia University Future plans: general practice in the Bay Area

### William Francis Wight

B.S., University of California, Davis D.D.S., University of the Pacific Future plans: associateship or private practice



## Advanced Education in General Dentistry Program Awards

AEGD Special Patient Award Greatest dedication to care of special patients Stephanie Salter, D.D.S.

AEGD Outstanding Resident Award Highest degree of professionalism John M. Savko, D.D.S.

### AEGD Outstanding Second Year Resident Award

Greatest dedication to patient care and teaching in the AEGD and predoctoral programs Jun Y. Park, D.D.S.

## Master of Science in Dentistry Certificate in Orthodontics 2002

### Leonard Scott Chong

B.A., University of the California, Berkeley D.D.S., University of the Pacific Future plans: practice with his father in Union City, California

### Masoud Haghi

D.M.D., University of Wuraburg M.S., University of Wuraburg Future plans: private practices in Vancouver, B.C. and Yellowknife N.W. territories and part-time instructor at University of British Colombia

### William S. Lieber

B.S., Tuft University D.M.D., University of Pennsylvania Future plans: Either twenty-eight more years in practice or...retirement!

### Paul John Lund

B.S., Santa Clara University M.P.H., San Jose State University D.D.S., University of the Pacific Future plans: private practice west of the Mississippi

### Stephen Donald O'Hara

B.S., Fresno State University D.D.S., University of the Pacific Future plans: private practice in Central California

### Jeffery Alan Roberts

B.A., Indiana University D.D.S., Indiana University Future plans: private practice in the East Bay

### Shahryar Sefidpour

B.S., San Jose State University M.S., San Jose State University D.D.S., University of California, San Francisco Future plans: private practice in the South Bay

## Graduate Orthodontic Program Awards

### **Sheldon Baumrind**

**Excellence in Clinical Research Award** *Excellence in clinical research* Leonard S. Chong, D.D.S.

Arthur A. Dugoni Excellence in Clinical Care Award Outstanding clinical care Masoud Haghi, D.M.D.

Donald R. Poulton Scholarship Award Dedication to patient care in the field of orthodontics Shahryar Sefidpour, D.D.S. W. Eugene Roberts Basic Science Research Award Outstanding basic science research Stephen D. O'Hara, D.D.S.

Irwin Marcus Predoctoral Orthodontic Teaching Award Superior seminar and clinical teaching with undergraduate dental students Jeffrey A. Roberts, D.D.S.

Frederick T. West Leadership Award Outstanding leadership Paul J. Lund, D.D.S.

## Advanced Education Program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Certificate 2002

Michael L. Beckley B.S., Texas Christian University D.D.S., Baylor College of Dentistry Future Plans: associateship in the Bay Area

### **Bassem Farids**

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles D.D.S., University of California, Los Angeles Future Plans: associateship

## 2002 Teaching Awards

Outstanding first-year faculty member Marc J. Geissberger, D.D.S., M.Ed.

Outstanding second-year faculty member Shannon Wong, D.D.S., M.S.

Outstanding third-year faculty member Dudley Cheu, D.D.S.

Outstanding International Dental Studies Program faculty member Joseph V. Levy, Ph.D. Outstanding Advanced Education in General Dentistry Program faculty members Kerry D. Hanson, D.D.S. Shannon Wong, D.D.S, M.S.

The Richard Remmel Rutter Award for Service and Excellence for the Orthodontic Class Harry Hatasaka, D.D.S.

Lucien Szmyd Memorial Award Excellence in Teaching Award, 2002 Mark Hagge, D.M.D.

The listing of a candidate's name in the commencement program is presumptive evidence of graduation, but is not to be regarded as conclusive.

"Take time to work-it is the price of success. Take time to think-it is the source of power: Take time to play-it is the secret of perpetual youth. Take time to read-it is the foundation of wisdom. Take time to be friendly-it is the road to bappiness. Take time to dream-it is hitching your wagon to a star. Take time to love and be loved-it is the privilege of the Gods. Take time to look around-the day is too short to be wasteful. Take time to laugh-it is the music of the soul. Take time to give-it is too short a day to be selfish. Take time to pray-it is the greatest power on Earth."

An Old Irish Prayer

A he University of the Pacific was established by pioneer Methodist ministers in 1851 as the first chartered institution of higher learning in California. Originally founded in Santa Clara, the institution later moved to San Jose and in 1924 to its present location in Stockton.

In 1996, the Board of Regents established that "the University of the Pacific's mission is to provide a superior, student-centered learning environment integrating liberal arts and professional education and preparing individuals for lasting achievement and responsible leadership in their careers and communities."

Throughout its history Pacific has been recognized as a leader in educational innovation. It provided the West Coast with its first medical school in 1858 (it later became part of Stanford and today is the California Pacific Medical Center), its first coeducational campus in 1871, its first conservatory of music in 1878, its first "cluster colleges," and its first and only fouryear private institution in the Central Valley. Pacific was first in the nation to offer an undergraduate teacher corps program, the first to send an entire class to an overseas campus and the first to establish a Spanish-speaking inter-american college.

Since the move to Stockton in 1924, only five presidents have headed the administration of the University. Tully C. Knoles presided during the move from San Jose and served until he was succeeded by Dr. Robert E. Burns in 1946. Dr. Burns served as president until his death in 1971. Dr. Stanley E. McCaffrey was named president in 1971. When he retired in 1987, he was succeeded by Dr. Bill L. Atchley, who served until 1995. Dr. Donald V. DeRosa began his service as the 23rd president in 1995.

The School of Education was established shortly after the move to Stockton in 1924. It was renamed the Gladys L. Benerd School of Education in 1992 in honor of the alumna's endowed gift. The University experienced its greatest growth and a broadening of its base under the administration of Dr. Burns. In 1955 it opened its School of Pharmacy and in 1956 its Graduate School. The School of Engineering was established in 1957. In 1962, the College of Physicians and Surgeons, a school of dentistry founded in San Francisco in 1896, merged with the University of the Pacific and became the University's San Francisco Campus.

In recognition of this growth, the name of the institution was changed in 1961 from the "College" of the Pacific to the "University" of the Pacific. The name "College of the Pacific" was retained for the University's central liberal arts college. A new concept in higher education in the United States found expression in the establishment of the first "cluster" college, Raymond College, in 1962. This was followed in 1963 with the opening of the second, Elbert Covell College, the first bilingual-bicultural college in the country. McGeorge College of Law, and independent law school founded in Sacramento in 1924, amalgamated with the University in 1966 as its School of Law. The third cluster college, focusing on non-western studies and featuring a year of study in an Asian culture, began in 1967 as Callison College. The cluster colleges were ended in 1982. However these concentrations in global study became our School of Business and Public Administration. In 1995 it was renamed Eberhardt School of Business in honor of the Eberhardt family's endowed gifts. University College, a unit of the University designed specifically for the adult "re-entry" student, was reorganized and revitalized in 1985.

In 1995, Pacific issued the first four-year guarantee whereby students are assured completion of the B.A. degree in four years. Accelerated programs announced by President DeRosa enable a student to complete undergraduate studies in combination with a law degree in "3+3" years. The School of Dentistry and School of Pharmacy offer similar accelerated programs. In this spirit of innovation, Pacific is currently shaping bold new plans for the years ahead.

The Vision Statement, adopted by the Board of Regents in 1997 to lead the University to its sesquicentennial, pledges "to continue to link liberal arts and professional education through innovative curricular and co-curricular programs of exceptional quality and high value. The University will strengthen its visibility and take full advantage of the rich resources of Northern California. Pacific will become a national leader in the creative use of internships and leadership development programs. These distinctive features will be shaped by our commitment to equip Pacific graduates for success in a multicultural and international society."