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One Hundred Twelfth
Commencement
Sunday, June 11, 2006



Masonic Auditorium
San Francisco, California
2:00 PM

University of the Pacific, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry is one of the premier dental schools in the nation and has served the Bay Area community for one hundred and ten 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 Boxtton 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. Boxtton presided as the first dean of P&S and served briefly as mayor of San Francisco. In 1918, during Dr. Boxtton'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 ten years since Dr. Boxtton drove his horse and buggy down a cobblestoned Market Street, of course, much has changed in the city. High-rise 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. Boxtton 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 United States using federal aid-to-education funds.

With a remarkable capacity for innovation and adaptation, the University of the Pacific, Arthur A. Dugoni 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 combine to form Pacific'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 twenty-first century dedicated to excellence.

In addition to Pacific'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 dental implants.

The Dentist's 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 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)

“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 happiness.

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

Order of Exercises

PROCESSIONAL

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

WELCOME

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

INVOCATION

Reverend Joy Preisser
Chaplain, University of the Pacific

INTRODUCTION OF THE PLATFORM GUESTS

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni
Dean, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
"Live a Life That Matters"

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS AND CONFERRING OF THE ORDER OF PACIFIC AND DEGREES

Dr. Donald V. DeRosa
President, University of the Pacific

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

VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

Dr. Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

BENEDICTION

Reverend Joy Preisser
Chaplain, University of the Pacific

RECESSIONAL

Triumphant March from Aida — *Giuseppe Verdi*
Brian Swager, Organist

Historical Background of the Mace

Originally a weapon of offense used in medieval warfare by a king or a noble, the mace has been refined to a symbolic device used on ceremonial occasions. The mace, as an academic symbol, dates back to 16th century England when Queen Elizabeth I presented a replica of her own royal mace to the corporation of the University of Oxford. She ordered that it be used in all ceremonies to represent the royal presence and the authority given to the university to grant degrees under the royal insignia. King Charles I made a similar gift to Cambridge University in 1625.

Robert E. Burns, Pacific president from 1946 -1971, asked Stuart Devlin, an internationally known London silver designer, to create the University of the Pacific Mace. It was commissioned in recognition of the University's transition from a college to a university with several colleges and professional schools that were to be modeled after Oxford and Cambridge.

It was first used at a Founder's Day ceremony on March 6, 1966, and is constructed entirely of silver with a gold plated seal of the University in its head. The mace is approximately four feet long and weighs 15 pounds. It was a gift from Mrs. Winifred Olson Raney, a former regent of the University. The mace is displayed at all official University functions and generally is carried by the chair of the Academic Council at Convocation and Commencement ceremonies.

Significance of Academic Regalia

Distinctive academic dress can be traced back to the universities of the Middle Ages when students and faculty of universities wore the robes of the clergy. Today three ranks of degrees are distinguished through variations in the robes, which also indicate the discipline and the university that awarded the degree.

In the United States, gowns generally are black, although a few universities have adopted other colors for their doctoral gowns: Harvard, crimson; Yale, blue; Chicago, maroon; Dartmouth, forest green. The field of learning in which the degree is 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 the doctoral gown. 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), lilac (Dentistry), olive green (Pharmacy), and purple (Law).

The colors of the lining of the hood are those of the institution awarding the degree. For example, University of California colors are gold and blue; Stanford University, cardinal red; University of Michigan, maize and azure blue; University of the Pacific, burnt orange and black. An olive green tassel is often worn on the cap to signify the field of Pharmacy, although generally bachelor's and master's tassels are black. Doctoral tassels generally are gold. The left side of the mortarboard is the proper side to wear the tassel after graduation.

An individual's degree is revealed by the type of gown and width of the edging on the hood.

Bachelor's gowns have full, pointed sleeves with no trimming. The hoods have a two-inch edging.

Master's gowns prior to 1960 had full, closed sleeves with the arm emerging through a slit at the elbow. The gown was the despair of wearers because, no matter how hot the day, a coat must be worn under it. In 1960, however, the gown was modified; in place of the elbow slit, an opening was made at the wrist and the gown was made to close. The hoods have a three-inch edging.

Doctor's gowns are of silk, have rounded sleeves, velvet facing down the front, and three velvet crossbars on each sleeve. The hoods have side panels and a five-inch facing.

School and College Banners

School and college banners signifying each of the academic units of the University precede a unit's faculty in the procession and are displayed during the ceremony. Each banner contains symbolism that relates to the various disciplines. The white field at the center symbolizes the arts and letters, which form a basis for all academic programs of the University. The primary color of the banner symbolizes the specific academic discipline. Within the white field is the official emblem of each school or college.

COLLEGE OF THE PACIFIC The gold field of this banner signifies the sciences, which combined with the arts and letters, forms the basis for the liberal arts programs offered in the central division of the University. The torch emblem is symbolic of the lamp of knowledge and served as a predecessor to the Mace in the Seal of the University. The emblem also contains a cross which signifies the role of the Methodist Church in the founding of the college in 1851.

CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC The pink field is the accepted color for all disciplines relating to music. The emblem, a contemporary graphic of a musical symbol, was developed in 1987 to signify new directions for the Conservatory, which is the oldest university affiliated conservatory in the West. It was founded in 1878.

ARTHUR A. DUGONI SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY The lilac colors of Dentistry form the field for this banner. The emblem of the dental caduceus surrounded by a triangle represents the three corners of Dentistry's program: education, research and service.

McGEORGE SCHOOL OF LAW The purple color of law surrounds the logo of McGeorge School of Law, depicting a law book and judicial column symbolizing the study and practice of law.

GLADYS L. BENERD SCHOOL OF EDUCATION The blue field shows disciplines related to education. The lamp of learning forms an emblem for the school, which was founded in 1924 when the University moved to Stockton.

THOMAS J. LONG SCHOOL OF PHARMACY AND HEALTH SCIENCES The green field depicts the pharmacy profession. It surrounds the emblem for the school, the Bowl of Hygeia, who was the Greek goddess of health and is the traditional emblem of pharmacy much as the caduceus represents medicine. The school's modernized version is an adaptation of the official emblem of the American Pharmaceutical Association. Pharmacy and Health Sciences was established in 1955.

School and College Banners

RESEARCH & GRADUATE STUDIES Although graduate degrees were offered early in the history of the University, a formal organization was not established until 1956. The banner combines the elements of the arts and letters and sciences with the orange and black colors of the University. It shows a portion of the University seal.

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & COMPUTER SCIENCE The orange field surrounds the symbol which reflects the major areas of study within the school: a wheel signifies mechanical engineering; the bridge is for civil engineering; and the center figure illustrates the combined fields of electrical and computer engineering. The School of Engineering and Computer Science was founded in 1958 from a department that dates to the 1930s.

EBERHARDT SCHOOL OF BUSINESS The beige colors of business provide a background for this banner. The emblem was selected from several submitted in a competition among students when the school was renamed in honor of Robert M. Eberhardt, the Eberhardt Family and the Bank of Stockton in 1955, in recognition of a long and enthusiastic support of Pacific.

SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES The gold on this banner, coupled with white, reflects the arts and letters and sciences just as they do in the COP flag. The blue globe shows the international nature of the programs that include study-abroad opportunities in more than 100 locations. The school opened in 1987.

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY This banner's emblems are a key and a book, symbolic of knowledge and wisdom. The lemon-yellow background is representative of the Library Science discipline. The Library's faculty and staff have served all academic areas of the University since its founding in 1851. Collections and services include a variety of print, audiovisual and electronic resources. Original papers and sketches of materials relating to the Gold Rush along with many other special collections are a primary attraction for researchers from around the world.

Honors

HIGHEST HONORS

Valedictorian, the graduating student with the highest overall grade point average in didactic and clinical courses combined over the entire program, Class of 2006:

Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

Member of the International Dental Studies Program with the highest overall grade point average in didactic and clinical courses combined over the entire program, Class of 2006:

Priyanka Moonka, B.D.S.

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 2006:

Adam J. Barr	David P. Forester	Aurora A. Patiño
Nathan R. Baxter	Roger K. Harding	Ruth Candy Tan-Chi
Ryan G. Bott	Spencer P. Hinckley	Jared M. Theurer
Jesse L. Cole	Elizabeth L. Manov	Stephen T. Wat
Zachary T. Dodson	Nicholas G. Mooberry	Mark J. Young
Jernell Escobar	Goli Najafzadeh	

Members elected from the International Dental Studies Program, Class of 2006:

Marianae D. Apetroaei, D.D.S.

Priyanka Moonka, B.D.S.

Phi Kappa Phi, an honor society in higher education with a chapter at the University of the Pacific in Stockton, was founded in 1897 at the University of Maine. It is the oldest and largest interdisciplinary honor society in existence. Admission to this 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 2006:

Zachary T. Dodson	Nicholas G. Mooberry
David P. Forester	Jared M. Theurer
Spencer P. Hinckley	Ruth Candy Tan-Chi
Elizabeth L. Manov	Mark J. Young

Member elected from the International Dental Studies Class of 2006:

Gurpeet K. Bir, B.D.S.

Honors

HONORS

Tau Kappa Omega, an 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 2006:

Damon M. Barbieri	James L. Mann
Adam J. Barr	Elizabeth L. Manov
Nathan R. Baxter	Marina V. Mokrushin
Ryan G. Bott	Nicholas G. Mooberry
Phyllis G. Chan	Goli Najafzadeh
Jesse L. Cole	April M. Nelson
Sabrina K. Dhanjal	Rick Nelson
Zachary T. Dodson	Gregory G. Olsen
Nathan A. Eberle	Alexander E. Pagonis
Jernell Escobar	Aurora A. Patiño
David P. Forester	Erin E. Renna
Brent M. Furumoto	Sean M. Rockwell
Steven W. Gajda	Austin E. Schellinck
Jennifer L. Graves	Lloyd E. Sisson, Jr.
Michelle N. Haglund	Ruth Candy Tan-Chi
Travis G. Hammons	Jared M. Theurer
Roger K. Harding	Jeffrey A. Thomas
David A. Herald	Frank D. Tran
Spencer P. Hinckley	Johnny H. Tran
Ryan N. Kerr	Stephen T. Wat
Quyen T. Lee	Mark J. Young
Brett B. Lund	

Members elected from the International Dental Studies Program, Class of 2006:

Marianae D. Apetroaei, D.D.S.
Gurpreet K. Bir, B.D.S.
Farhana H. Chinikamwalla, B.D.S.
Priyanka Moonka, B.D.S.
Jessica Rivas-Plata, B.D.S.

Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene, 2006

Editha Fernandez Abayan

B.A., Centro Escolar University

Future Plans: private practice (RDHAP)
in the San Francisco Bay Area

Mahnaz Brenda Ahangar

B.A., University of California, Riverside

Future Plans: private practice in
Los Angeles, CA

Christy Lynn Carter

Mira Costa College

Future Plans: private practice (RDHAP) in
San Diego, CA

Nicole Marie Dafnis

Arizona State University

Future Plans: private practice in the
San Francisco Bay Area

Kimberly Ann Senise

B.A., University of the Pacific

Future Plans: private practice in the
San Francisco Bay Area

Sukhjeet Kaur Sandhu

B.S., California State University, East Bay

Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Cara Leigh Hicks-Beach

San Diego State University

Future Plans: private practice in the
Las Vegas/Henderson, NV area

Kimi Hideko Kan

B.S., San Francisco State University

Future Plans: private practice (RDHAP) in
Stockton or Elk Grove, CA

Maggie Lo

B.S., University of California, Irvine

Future Plans: private practice in
Northern California

Crissy Lynn Lucas

A.S., Sierra College

Future Plans: private practice in Roseville, CA

Karen Denise Marston

Fresno Pacific College

Future Plans: private practice in Stockton, CA

Laura-Ashley Maurer

University of the Pacific

Future Plans: private practice in San Diego, CA

Heather Linn McIntosh

Santa Rosa Junior College

Future Plans: private practice in Santa Rosa, CA

Jennifer A. Monce

City College of San Francisco

Future Plans: private practice in the
San Francisco Bay Area and advanced
education in RDHAP

Rachel Elizabeth Parr Noblitt

University of the Pacific

Future Plans: private practice in
Northern California

Abigail Lorraine Odom

Contra Costa College

Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Natalia Peña-Varela

University of the Pacific

Future Plans: private practice in the
San Francisco Bay Area

Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene, 2006

Lindsey Woods Ristuben

Sierra College

Future Plans: private practice in the
Sacramento area

Katharine Scarlett Rossi

San Joaquin Delta College

Future Plans: private practice in
San Francisco, CA

Farshad Rouhani

A.S., Mesa Community College

Future Plans: private practice in Arizona

Vichet Sam-An

B.A., California State University, Sacramento

Future Plans: private practice in Modesto, CA

Megan Marion Smith

University of the Pacific

Future Plans: private practice in
Las Cruces, NM

Marlene Bravo Tamayo

Sierra College

Future Plans: private practice in
Northern California

Minh H. Trieu

B.S., California State University, Sacramento

Future Plans: private practice in
Sacramento, CA

Dental Hygiene Program Awards

**The American Association of Public Health
Dentistry Award for Achievement in
Community Dentistry and
Dental Public Health**

*In recognition of outstanding coordination of dental
hygiene student volunteer outreach events in the
extended community*

Kimi H. Kan

**Award for Outstanding
Clinical Achievement**

*In recognition of overall excellence in the delivery of
dental hygiene patient care*

Karen D. Marston

**California Dental Hygiene Student
Leadership Award**

*In recognition of leadership as the class representative
to the Student American Dental Hygiene Association*

Kimberly A. Senise

Outstanding Academic Achievement Award

*Recognizing the dental hygiene students who
demonstrated the strongest academic performance
in the program*

Editha A. Abayan
Mahnaz B. Ahangar
Abigail L. Odom
Farshad Rouhani

**Dental Hygiene Student Total
Achievement Award**

*In recognition of leadership, community service,
excellence in patient care, and dedication to the
hygiene profession*

Marlene B. Tamayo

Master of Science in Dentistry and Certificate in Orthodontics, 2006

Christopher M. Anderson

*B.S., Santa Clara University
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: private practice in the San
Francisco Bay Area*

David Alan Chenin

*B.A., University of the Pacific
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: private practice in
Henderson, NV*

Jae-Sik Hur

*Seoul National University, College of Natural
Sciences, Department of Dentistry
D.D.S., Seoul National University,
College of Dentistry
Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, CA and
part-time faculty at University of the Pacific*

Joseph Ryan Kolody

*B.S., California State University, Stanislaus
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: private practice*

Baokhanh Hoang Nguyen

*B.S., San Jose State University
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, CA*

Brad Edward Pezoldt

*University of California, Davis
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: private practice in
Northern California*

Leah Marie Walker

*B.S., University of Southern California
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: private practice in Southern
California*

Jamson C. Wu

*B.S., University of California, Los Angeles
D.D.S., University of California, Los Angeles,
School of Dentistry
Future Plans: private practice in Elk Grove, CA*

*Advanced Education Program in Oral and
Maxillofacial Surgery Certificate, 2006*

Craig Xi Alpha

B.A., Grimmell College

D.D.S., University of Iowa

Future Plans: private practice in
Sacramento, CA

Anna Lu

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles

D.M.D., Boston University

Future Plans: private practice in
Southern California

*Advanced Education Program in Oral and
Maxillofacial Surgery Program Awards*

Outstanding Oral Surgery Resident Award

Highest degree of professionalism

Craig X. Alpha, D.D.S.

Advanced Education in General Dentistry Certificate, 2006

Michelle Yvonne Bittner

University of the Pacific
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: private practice in San Jose, CA

Irene Chen

B.S., Barnard College
D.M.D., Boston University
Future Plans: associateship in the San Francisco Bay Area

Ayman A. Fayyad

B.S., Michigan State University
D.D.S., Case Western School of Dental Medicine
Future Plans: private practice in California or Michigan

Erin Colleen Flanigan

B.S., University of Oregon
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: associateship

Chau Bao Hoang

M.S., University of California, Riverside
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: associateship in Southern California

Malia Lynn Johnson

B.S., California State Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo
D.M.D., Tufts University
Future Plans: private practice in San Luis Obispo, CA

Harjit Connie Khehra

B.S., University of California, Riverside
D.D.S., University of California, San Francisco
Future Plans: private practice in San Jose, CA

Cindy H. Ly

B.S., University of California, San Diego
D.D.S., University of California, San Francisco
Future Plans: private practice or associateship in Southern California

Monica MacVane-Pearson

B.S., Mount Allison University, Canada
D.M.D., McGill University
Future Plans: associateship

Upendra J. Patel

B.S., University of the Pacific
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: associateship in Northern California

Praveena Permalla

B.D.S., Cukavarga University, India
D.D.S., University of California, San Francisco
Future Plans: associateship in the San Francisco Bay Area

Edward Po

B.S., University of California, Davis
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: private practice or associateship in the East Bay

Jason Kenji Reyda

B.S., University of the Pacific
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: private practice in Santa Rosa, CA

Sam Soltani

B.S., University of California, Davis
D.D.S., University of the Pacific,
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Future Plans: private practice

*Advanced Education in General
Dentistry Certificate, 2006*

Tara Tappuni

B.S., University of Toronto

D.D.S., University of Toronto

Future Plans: associateship in the San Francisco
Bay Area

Barbara G. Wu

B.S., San Francisco State University

D.D.S., University of California, San Francisco

Future Plans: associateship in
San Francisco, CA

Siam Zokaie

B.S., San Diego State University

D.D.S., University of California, San Francisco

Future Plans: associateship in San Diego, CA

Advanced Education in General Dentistry Program Awards

**AEGD Outstanding Resident Award,
San Francisco**

Highest degree of professionalism
Jason Kenji Reyda, D.D.S.

**AEGD Outstanding Resident Award,
Union City**

Highest degree of professionalism
Tara Tappuni, D.D.S.

**AEGD Outstanding Resident Award,
Stockton**

Highest degree of professionalism
Upendra J. Patel, D.D.S.

**OKU Clinical Excellence Award
AEGD Section**

First Place
Irene Chen, D.M.D.
Praveena Permalla, D.D.S.

International Dental Studies Program

Doctor of Dental Surgery, 2006

Marianae Demetra Apetroaei (high honors)

B.D.S., Gr. T. Popa University of Medicine & Pharmacy, Iasi, Romania

Future Plans: private practice in Anchorage, AK

Gurpreet K. Bir (high honors)

B.D.S., Manipal Academy of Higher Education, College of Dental Surgery, Manipal, India

Future Plans: associateship in California

Farhana H. Chinikamwalla (honors)

B.D.S., University of Mumbai, Dr. D.Y. Patel Dental College & Hospital, Mumbai, India

Future Plans: associateship in the East Bay

Mandeep K. Dhani

B.D.S., Kurukshetra University, B.R.S. Institute of Medical Sciences, Haryana, India

Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Unnati Bhautik Doshi

B.D.S., Bharati Vidyapeeth Dental College & Hospital, Pune, India

Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Sneha Innes

B.D.S., University of Mysore, J.S.S. Dental College & Hospital, Mysore, India

Future Plans: associateship in San Francisco, CA

Gurpreet Singh Khairah

B.D.S., K.L.E. Society's Institute of Dental Sciences

Future Plans: associateship in Modesto, CA

Gustavo Lores

B.D.S., Universidad San Martin de Porres, Faculty of Dentistry, Lima, Peru

Future Plans: private practice in Miami Shores, FL

Priyanka Moonka (highest honors)

B.D.S., Thai Moogambiogai Dental College & Hospital, Chennai, India

Future Plans: associateship

Dipty P. Parikh

B.D.S., Bharati Vidyapeeth Dental College & Hospital, Pune, India

Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, CA

Nagashree Prakash

B.D.S., M.S. Ramaiah Dental College & Hospital, Bangalore, India

Future Plans: associateship in Santa Clara, CA

Jessica Rivas-Plata (honors)

D.D.S., Universidad San Martin de Porres, Faculty of Dentistry, Lima, Peru

Future Plans: private practice in North Miami Beach, FL

Navdeep Singh Sandhu

B.D.S., Dashmesh Institute of Research & Dental Sciences, Faridkot, India

Future Plans: associateship

Ma. Teresa Santana Herasme

D.D.S., Universidad Iberoamericana Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Nathalie Chandini Selvanathan

B.D.S., Pondicherry University, Mahatma Gandhi Dental College & Hospital, Pondicherry, India

Future plans: associateship in Fresno, CA

Neelima Gudapaty Vadlapatla

B.D.S., Ranjiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, College of Dental Science, Davangere, India

Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, CA

International Dental Studies Program Awards

Dean's Valedictorian Award

Highest overall scholarship

Priyanka Moonka, B.D.S.

Dean's Salutorian Award

Second highest overall scholarship

Gurpreet K. Bir, B.D.S.

Community Service Award

*Demonstrated commitment to and participation
in community health care*

Jessica Rivas-Plata, D.D.S.

Nathalie C. Selvanathan, B.D.S.

Frederick T. West Basic Science Research Award

*For excellence in design and execution of a
research project*

Marianae D. Apetroaei, D.D.S.

Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities

Outstanding merit and accomplishment

Marianae D. Apetroaei, D.D.S.

Herbert K. Yee Scholarship Awards

*Outstanding students selected on the basis of
scholarship, character and need*

Gurpreet K. Bir, B.D.S.

Jessica Rivas-Plata, D.D.S.

Doctor of Dental Surgery 2006

Poolak Afshar Zand

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

Richard Houseal Albright III

B.A., Bucknell University
Future Plans: Orthodontics Residency at
Temple University

James Patrick Alderete II

B.A., University of California, Santa Barbara
Future Plans: General Practice Residency
with the U.S. Navy

Christopher Jon Allemand

B.S., University of Washington
Future Plans: associateship in Washington state

Bernadette Alvarez Alvear

B.S., University of the Pacific
Future Plans: private practice with father,
Dr. Manuel Alvear, in Pittsburg, CA

Meetu Bala

B.S., University of California, San Diego
Future Plans: Advanced Education in General
Dentistry Residency at University of California,
Los Angeles

Damon Matthew Barbieri (honors)

B.A., University of Colorado, Denver
Future Plans: associateship in
San Luis Obispo, CA

Adam Justin Barr (high honors)

B.S., Brigham Young University
Future Plans: private practice in San Jose, CA

Nathan R. Baxter (high honors)

B.A., University of Utah
Future Plans: General Practice Residency at
Fresno University Medical Center

Chris Beal

B.A., Middlebury College
Future Plans: associateship

Aimee Lynne Bernardez-Fu

University of the Pacific
Future Plans: General Practice Residency at
Denver Health Medical Center

Jasmine D. Bhurva

University of California, Davis
Future Plans: General Practice Residency at
Harvard University

Sven Erik Bone

B.S., Montana State University
Future Plans: private practice in
Bozeman, MT

Ryan George Bott (high honors)

San Francisco State University
Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Katherine A. Bracy

B.S., University of Illinois, Urbana
Future Plans: private practice

Evelyn Joyce Cabauatan

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

Phyllis Geesum Chan (honors)

B.S., University of the Pacific
Future Plans: U.S. Army Dental Corps

John H. Cho

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

Jesse L. Cole (high honors)

B.S., Brigham Young University
Future Plans: private practice in Moscow, ID

Kevin James Coolidge

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

Doctor of Dental Surgery 2006

Daniel Rhomberg Copp

B.S., University of Oregon

Future Plans: associateship in Portland, OR

Miranda Elizabeth Davis

University of California, Los Angeles

Future Plans: Public health and private practice

Garrick Wallace Denny

B.S., California State Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo

Future Plans: associateship in Los Angeles, CA

Sabrina Kaur Dhanjal (honors)

Grand Canyon University

Future Plans: private practice with father in Avondale, AZ

Dorian Arthur Dodds

California State University, Chico

Future Plans: private practice in Chico, CA

Zachary Thomas Dodson (high honors)

University of the Pacific

Future Plans: Endodontics Residency at Tufts University

Andy Phu Hao Duong

B.S., University of California, Davis

Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residency at the University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA

Nathan Garth Eames

Utah Valley State College

Future Plans: private practice in Boise, ID

Nathan Andrew Eberle (honors)

B.A., University of Iowa

Future Plans: Oral Surgery Residency at University of Florida

Jernell Escobar (high honors)

B.A., San Jose State University

Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, CA

Bryan S. Euzent

B.S., University of the Pacific

Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Jesse Michael Fa

B.S., University of Notre Dame

Future Plans: General Practice Residency in Long Beach, CA

Lindsey Ann Feaster

B.A., University of Washington

Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Jennifer Alicia Fong

B.S., California Institute of Technology

Future Plans: associateship in Fremont, CA

David Paul Forester (high honors)

B.S., University of California, Davis

Future Plans: private practice in Fresno, CA

Brent M. Furumoto (honors)

B.A., University of California, Irvine

Future Plans: associateship in Diamond Bar, CA

Steven W. Gajda (honors)

B.A., Case Western Reserve University

Future plans: Orthodontics Residency in Indiana

Todd Thomas Gandy

B.S., University of California, Davis

Future Plans: private practice in Redding, CA

Garrett David Gast

B.S., University of Oregon

Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residency at the University of the Pacific, Union City, CA

Arby Gutierrez

B.S., California State University, Long Beach

Future Plans: private practice in California

Doctor of Dental Surgery 2006

Michelle Nicole Haglund (honors)
B.A., University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Future Plans: associateship in Salem, OR

Aja H. Hall
B.S., University of the Pacific
Future Plans: associateship in
San Francisco, CA

Travis Glen Hammons (honors)
Arizona State University
Future Plans: U.S. Army Dental Corps

Roger K. Harding (high honors)
B.S., Brigham Young University
Future Plans: private practice in Orem, UT

David A. Herald (honors)
B.S., University of Rhode Island
Future Plans: associateship in Sedona, AZ

Christopher M. Herman
B.S., California State University, San Bernardino
Future Plans: associateship in California

Douglas Martin Herrera
B.S., University of Toronto
Future Plans: Advanced Education in
General Dentistry Residency at Nova
Southeastern University

Jared John Hill
Brigham Young University
Future plans: private practice in Boise, ID

Spencer P. Hinckley (high honors)
B.S., University of Phoenix
Future Plans: Endodontics Residency at the
University of Pennsylvania

Von Joseph Holbrook
University of California, Santa Barbara
Future Plans: private practice in
Santa Barbara, CA

Christopher Sanchez Hong
B.S., University of the Pacific
Future Plans: private practice in Fremont, CA

Curtis L. Howard
B.A., University of California, Los Angeles
Future Plans: private practice in San Diego, CA

Billisu Inikpi Idakoji
B.S., University of the Pacific
Future Plans: General Practice Residency at
Brookdale Hospital, Brooklyn, NY

Ryan Creig Johnstun
B.A., University of Washington
Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Justin Larry Jones
University of the Pacific
Future Plans: private practice in Enid, OK

William Clinton Kenner V
University of Washington
Future Plans: private practice in Seattle, WA

Ryan Newland Kerr (honors)
B.A.A.S., University of the Pacific
Future Plans: associateship in Tehachapi, CA

Amy Marie Kiesselbach
B.A., University of Puget Sound
Future Plans: Advanced Education in General
Dentistry Residency at Nova Southeastern
University

Kenneth J. Killpack
B.A.A.S., University of the Pacific
Future Plans: community clinic practice in
Seattle, WA

Andrew Y. Kim
B.S., University of California, Los Angeles
Future plans: private practice in
Los Angeles, CA

Doctor of Dental Surgery 2006

Na-Ree Kim Malan

B.S., Brigham Young University

Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residency at the University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA

Leland B. Kimball

B.S., Utah Valley State College

Future Plans: U.S. Army Dental Corps

Alexandr S. Klimushkin

B.S., University of California, Davis

Future Plans: associateship in California

James R. Kolstad

B.S., Montana State University

Future Plans: private practice in Montana

Andrew Woosung Kwon

B.S., University of California, San Diego

Future Plans: associateship with father, Dr. Michael J. Kwon, in Los Angeles, CA

Cyrus Dot Kwong

University of the Pacific

Future Plans: private practice in Sacramento, CA

Daniel Ethan Lapidus

B.S., University of the Pacific

Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residency with the U.S. Air Force

Steven Scott Lawson

B.A., University of California, Santa Barbara

Future Plans: associateship in Santa Barbara, CA

Tyson Sumner Lechner

B.S., University of California, Davis

Future Plans: private practice and associateship Sacramento, CA

Daniel T. Lee

B.S., University of California, Santa Barbara

Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, CA

Quyen Thi Lee (honors)

B.S., University of California, Davis

Future plans: U.S. Army Dental Corps

Abrey Kála Lopez

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles

Future Plans: associateship in Los Angeles, CA

Brian John Lord

University of Utah

Future Plans: private practice in Utah

Brett Bingham Lund (honors)

B.S., Utah State University

Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Kelly Noelle Lynott

B.S., University of the Pacific

Future Plans: associateship

James Lester Mann (honors)

B.S., University of Nevada, Reno

Future Plans: private practice in Reno, NV

Elizabeth L. Manov (high honors)

B.S., University of the Pacific

Future Plans: private practice in Scottsdale, AZ

Daniel Jeremy McMillan

B.S., Brigham Young University

Future Plans: associateship in Walnut Creek, CA

Chad Fredrick Merrill

B.S., Brigham Young University

Future Plans: private practice in Phoenix, AZ

Marina Vladimirovna Mokrushin (honors)

University of the Pacific

Future Plans: associateship in Elk Grove, CA

Nicholas George Mooberry (high honors)

Northern Arizona University

Future Plans: private practice in Tucson, AZ

Doctor of Dental Surgery 2006

Jennifer Lynn Graves (honors)

A.A., San Joaquin Delta College

Future Plans: private practice

Jeffrey Norman Nagel

M.A., University of Hawaii, Manoa

Future Plans: Orthodontics Residency at University of California, Los Angeles

Goli Najafzadeh (high honors)

Tehran University, Iran

Future Plans: Pediatric Dentistry Residency at Loma Linda University

Darin Kei Nakamura

B.A., University of California, Berkeley

Future plans: associateship in the San Francisco Bay Area

April Marie Nelson (honors)

B.A., University of Puget Sound

Future Plans: Pediatric Dentistry Residency at Boston University

Rick Nelson (honors)

B.S., University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Future Plans: associateship in Las Vegas, NV

Gregory G. Olsen (honors)

B.A., University of Montana

Future Plans: Oral Surgery Residency at Cook County Hospital, Chicago, IL

Alexander Epaminondas Pagonis (honors)

B.S., University of Arizona

Future Plans: private practice in Cupertino, CA

Aurora Andrea Patiño (high honors)

B.A.S., University of California, Davis

Future Plans: Orthodontics Residency at University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Andrew Marvin Petersen

Arizona State University

Future Plans: private practice or associateship in Gilbert, AZ

John J. Petrini, Jr.

A.A., Brigham Young University

Future Plans: Prosthodontics Residency in Bethesda, MD

Van Bich Pham

B.S., California State University, Sacramento

Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, CA

Christine Git Lin Pong

B.A., University of Washington

Future Plans: associateship in Honolulu, HI

Kia Ramezani

San Francisco State University

Future Plans: private practice in San Jose, CA

Anisha Ranchhod

B.S., University of the Pacific

Future Plans: General Practice Residency at Cedar Sinai Hospital

Erin Elizabeth Renna (honors)

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles

Future plans: private practice or associateship

Anthony Robert Rizzuti

B.S., University of Notre Dame

Future Plans: General Practice Residency at Saint John's Mercy Medical Center, Saint Louis, MO

Blake B. Robison

B.S., Brigham Young University

Future Plans: pursue a doctorate in education at Pacific and private practice in San Francisco, CA

Sean Michael Rockwell (honors)

B.S., California State University, Fullerton

Future Plans: associateship in Red Bluff, CA

Christopher Michael Rosenthal

B.A.A.S., University of the Pacific

Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Doctor of Dental Surgery 2006

Shannon Sydney Russell

B.S., California State University, Fresno
Future Plans: private practice in California

Austin Edward Schellinck (honors)

B.S., University of the Pacific
Future Plans: Periodontics Residency at Baylor College of Dentistry, TX

Blake William Scott

B.A., University of California, San Diego
Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residency with the U.S. Navy

Alex Ming Shaw, Jr.

M.S., University of Southern California
Future Plans: associateship in San Francisco, CA

Patricia Denise Sheran

University of California, Los Angeles
Future Plans: General Practice Residency at Rancho Los Amigos Rehabilitation Center, Downey, CA

Kathryn Anne Siemens

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

Andrew Dominic Silvestri

San Diego State University
Future plans: General Practice Residency with the U.S. Navy

Caroline Marie Rhodes Sisson

B.S., University of Southern California
Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residency with the U.S. Air Force

Lloyd E. Sisson, Jr. (honors)

B.A., Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Future Plans: General Practice Residency with the U.S. Air Force

Sara Soleimani

University of Washington
Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Robert Leigh Stebbins

B.S., Rochester Institute of Technology
Future Plans: private practice in Ashland, OR

Ruth Candy Tan-Chi (highest honors)

B.A.A.S., University of the Pacific
Future Plans: General Practice Residency at the VA Hospital, Palo Alto, CA

Azin Tarifard

B.S., University of the Pacific
Future Plans: Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residency at University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA

Jared Michael Theurer (high honors)

B.S., University of Utah
Future Plans: private practice in Salt Lake City, UT

Jeffrey A. Thomas (honors)

B.S., Brigham Young University
Future Plans: associateship in Utah or New Mexico

Ricky Tin

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

Frank Dan Tran (honors)

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles
Future Plans: private practice in Gilroy, CA and associateship in Morgan Hill, CA

Ho-Thao Thuy Tran

B.A., Tufis University
Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Johnny Hoang Tran (honors)

B.S., University of California, Santa Barbara
Future Plans: private practice or associateship

Doctor of Dental Surgery 2006

Chung Ngoc Truong

B.S., University of California, Davis
Future plans: associateship in Salinas and
Watsonville, CA

Maurice Armstrong Trusas

*B.S., California State Polytechnic University,
San Luis Obispo*
Future Plans: associateship in Redding, CA

Nicole Elyse Ulrich Pagonis

*B.S., California State Polytechnic University,
San Luis Obispo*
Future Plans: associateship in the San Francisco
Bay Area

Jared D. Utley

University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Future Plans: U.S. Army Dental Corps

LittleJohn K. VanHorn

B.S., University of Nevada, Reno
Future Plans: associateship near Reno, NV

Nathan Edward Vick

University of California, Davis
Future Plans: associateship in Fresno, CA

Anthony P. Vitarelli

B.A., California State University, Sacramento
Future Plans: associateship in Santa Clara, CA

Stephen Takashi Gong Wat (high honors)

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles
Future Plans: Oral Surgery Residency at
Highland Hospital, University of the Pacific

Morgan Ann Weaver

B.S., University of Washington
Future Plans: General Practice Residency at
Veterans Medical Center, Portland, OR

Seth Thomas Williams

B.A., Brigham Young University
Future Plans: Advanced Education in General
Dentistry Residency at San Diego Naval
Medical Center

Gregory Scott Winslow

B.S., Brigham Young University
Future Plans: Advanced Education in General
Dentistry Residency with the U.S. Navy

Joshua Wong

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

Mark Alan Wong

B.S., University of California, Davis
Future plans: associateship in Sacramento, CA

Melissa C. Woo

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

Sussi Ai Yamaguchi

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

Nathaniel K. Yang

B.S., University of California, Davis
Future Plans: Advanced Education in General
Dentistry Residency at University of the Pacific,
Union City, CA

Mark J. Young (high honors)

University of the Pacific
Future Plans: Endodontics Residency at
Harvard University

Mojgan G. Yousefzadeh

B.A., California State University, Sacramento
Future Plans: private practice in San Jose, CA

Brendon Joe Zeidler

B.A., Rice University
Future Plans: associateship in San Jose, CA

Shirley Jing Yu Zhao

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

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

Doctor of Dental Surgery Program Awards

SCHOLARSHIP

Dean's Valedictorian Award

Highest overall scholarship

Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

Clinical Excellence Award

Highest overall clinical scholarship

Nicholas G. Mooberry

Dean's Salutorian Award

Second highest overall scholarship

Nicholas G. Mooberry

Garrett M. Guess Valedictorian Award

Highest overall scholarship

Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

Dean's Award

Third highest overall scholarship

Elizabeth L. Manov

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AND SERVICE

Academy of Dentistry for Persons with Disabilities

*Sincere interest and concern for persons with
disabilities and for special patients*

Erin E. Renna

Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity Award

*Highest scholastic achievement for the entire
dental program*

Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

Academy of General Dentistry Award

*Greatest interest, knowledge and proficiency in
general dentistry during the final year*

Jesse L. Cole

American Academy of Craniofacial Pain

Interest in occlusion or TMJ dysfunction

Nathan A. Eberle

Academy of Operative Dentistry Award

Outstanding achievement

Elizabeth L. Manov

American Academy of Dental Practice Administration Award

Excellence in dental practice administration

Mark A. Wong

Academy of Osseointegration

*Most deserving student in the field
of implants*

James R. Kolstad

American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry

*Demonstration of superior clinical proficiency and
interest in esthetic dentistry during the final year of
the program*

Brett B. Lund

Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity

Bay Area Alumni Award

Outstanding Alpha Omegan, Kappa Chapter

Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

American Academy of Implant Dentistry

*Most interest, academically and clinically, in
implant dentistry*

Elizabeth L. Manov

Doctor of Dental Surgery Program Awards

**American Academy of Oral and
Maxillofacial Pathology Award**

Exemplary aptitude and achievement
Goli Najafzadeh

**American Academy of Oral and
Maxillofacial Radiology Award**

Exceptional interest and accomplishment
Jesse L. Cole

American Academy of Oral Medicine Award

Exceptional promise, achievement, and interest
Nicholas G. Mooberry

American Academy of Orofacial Pain

Greatest commitment and interest in temporomandibular disorders and orofacial pain
Stephen T. Wat

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry

Most promise in pediatric dentistry
Goli Najafzadeh

**American Academy of
Periodontology Award**

Most promise in periodontics
Austin E. Schellinck

American Association of Endodontists

Outstanding ability in the field of endodontics
Zachary T. Dodson

**American Association of Oral
Biologists Award**

Greatest achievement and potential in oral biology
Mark J. Young

**American Association of
Orthodontists Award**

Exceptional interest in development of the orofacial complex
Jeffrey N. Nagel

**American Association of Public Health
Dentistry Award**

Outstanding interest and achievement in community public health dentistry
Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

**American College of Dentists,
Northern California Award**

Exemplary professionalism, integrity and community service
Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

American Dental Society of Anesthesiology

Outstanding achievement in anesthesiology
William C. Kenner

American Equilibration Society Award

Outstanding performance in occlusion and temporomandibular joint function
David P. Forester

**American Student Dental Association
Award of Excellence**

Outstanding leadership and service
Blake B. Robison

Excellence in Anatomy Award

Outstanding achievement
Goli Najafzadeh

Excellence in Biochemistry Award

Outstanding achievement
Kenneth J. Killpack

Eric B. Bystrom Memorial OKU Award

Member of the graduating class who represents the spirit and enthusiasm of Dr. Eric Bystrom
Damon M. Barbieri

**California Association of Oral and
Maxillofacial Surgeons Award**

Excellent performance in oral surgery
Nathan A. Eberle

California Dental Association Award

Contributions to and leadership in organized dentistry
Sean M. Rockwell

**Kevin Campbell Alumni Association
Service Award**

Outstanding service to the dental school community
Nathan R. Baxter

Doctor of Dental Surgery Program Awards

Community Service Award

*Demonstrated commitment to and participation in
community health care*

Aimee L. Bernardez-Fu
Miranda E. Davis
Jennifer L. Graves
Douglas M. Herrera
Tyson S. Lechner
Jeffrey N. Nagel
Alexander E. Pagonis
Aurora A. Patiño
Erin E. Renna
Sara Soleimani
Ruth Candy Tan-Chi
Stephen T. Wat
Mark A. Wong
Sussi A. Yamaguchi
Nathan K. Yang

Delta Dental Plan of California Student Leadership Award

Leadership, service, and scholarship
Blake B. Robison

Dentsply/ADA Student Research Program Award

Excellence in research

First Place

Mark J. Young

Second Place

Spencer P. Hinckley

Third Place

Katherine A. Bracy

Charles A. Ertola Award

*Outstanding performance in clinical
removable prosthodontics*

Alex M. Shaw, Jr.

Pierre Fauchard Academy, Northern California Section Scholarship Award

Leadership and community service

Daniel R. Copp

Pierre Fauchard Academy Senior Student Award

*Leadership and dedication to the advancement
of dentistry*

Nathan K. Yang

Pierre Fauchard Academy Foundation Scholarship

Potential leadership of the profession

Sean M. Rockwell

Fixed Prosthodontics Incentive Award

*For outstanding performance in third-year
clinical fixed prosthodontics*

Jernell Escobar

William W. Y. Goon

OKU Award

*Excellence in endodontology, interdisciplinary clinical
sciences, and student scholarship*

Spencer P. Hinckley

Norma T. and Robert G. Grosso Endowment Award

Interest and promise as a dental educator

Jernell Escobar

Blake B. Robison

Austin E. Schellinck

Nathan K. Yang

Thomas B. Hartzell Award

Outstanding performance in clinical periodontics

Jesse M. Fa

Excellence in Implants Award

Outstanding achievement

Jared M. Theurer

International College of Dentists, USA Section Award

Most professional growth and development

Jared M. Theurer

Doctor of Dental Surgery Program Awards

International Congress of Oral Implantologists Award

*Greatest interest in and commitment to oral
implantology and implant dentistry*
Alex M. Shaw, Jr.

Inesi Award in Physiology

Highest scholarship in physiology
Jennifer A. Fong
Nicholas G. Mooberry
Goli Najafzadeh
Mark J. Young

Lasky Family Endowment Pediatric Award

*Outstanding student planning to pursue a career in
pediatric dentistry*
Goli Najafzadeh

Excellence in Microbiology Award

Outstanding achievement
Goli Najafzadeh

Northern California Academy of Endodontics

Outstanding capabilities in endodontics
Jared M. Theurer

OKU Clinical Excellence Award 2005 Second-Year Competition

First Place
Jernell Escobar
Second Place
Blake B. Robison

OKU Clinical Excellence Awards Case Presentation

First Place
Alex M. Shaw, Jr.
Second Place
Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

Aesthetic Dentistry

First Place
Christopher S. Hong
Second Place
Marina V. Mokrushin

Removable Prosthodontics

First Place
Damon M. Barbieri
Second Place
Bernadette A. Alvear

Restorative Dentistry

First Place
David P. Forester
Second Place
Jernell Escobar

Implant Dentistry

First Place
Alex M. Shaw, Jr.
Second Place
David P. Forester

Supportive Therapy

First Place
Frank D. Tran
Second Place
Jared M. Theurer

Excellence in Oral Diagnosis Award

Outstanding achievement
Nathan R. Baxter

Excellence in Oral Pathology

Outstanding achievement
Elizabeth L. Manov

Excellence in Oral Surgery (pre-doctoral)

Outstanding achievement
Stephen T. Wat

Orthodontic Alumni Association Award

*Outstanding interest, accomplishment, and promise
in orthodontics*
Jared M. Theurer

Pacific Coast Society of Prosthodontics/ Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry Award

Demonstrated excellence in prosthodontics
James R. Kolstad

Doctor of Dental Surgery Program Awards

Proctor & Gamble Radiology Award

Excellence in radiology
Alexandr S. Klimushkin

Proctor & Gamble Research Award

Excellence in research
Erin E. Renna

Quintessence Periodontics Award

Achievement in clinical periodontics
Caroline M. Rhodes Sisson

Quintessence Research Achievement Award

Outstanding research achievement
Mark J. Young

Quintessence Restorative Award

Outstanding performance in clinical restorative dentistry
Jernell Escobar

Removable Prosthodontics Incentive Award

For outstanding performance in third-year clinical removable prosthodontics
Alex M. Shaw, Jr.

San Francisco Dental Society Ethics Award

Ethics and professionalism in the care and treatment of patients
David P. Forester

Student Research Competition Awards

First Place
Spencer P. Hinckley
Second Place
Kenneth J. Killpack

Charles, Charles, Jr. and Joe Sweet Pedodontic Award

Excellence in dentistry for children
Goli Najafzadeh
April M. Nelson

Charles, Charles, Jr. and Joe Sweet Scholarship Award

Greatest potential for advancing the specialty of pediatrics, the dental profession and for teaching
April M. Nelson

Warren Family Endowment Award

Outstanding dental care on children by a senior student
Damon M. Barbieri

Frederick T. West Orthodontic Award

For outstanding performance in the five orthodontic courses
Aurora A. Patiño

Western Society of Periodontics Award

Interest and proficiency in the field of periodontics
Jennifer L. Graves

Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities

Outstanding merit and accomplishment
Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

Herbert K. Yee Scholarship Awards

Outstanding students selected on the basis of scholarship, character and need
Jesse L. Cole
Goli Najafzadeh
Ruth Candy Tan-Chi
Jared M. Theurer

Bachelor of Arts in Applied Sciences, 2006

The University provides an opportunity for students entering the dental school prior to completing their undergraduate degree to earn a bachelor's degree. Students with qualifying grades in a balanced distribution of subjects may count science courses taken while a dental student toward this degree, which is granted on the day of graduation from dental school.

Individuals earning the Bachelor of Arts in Applied Sciences are:

Ryan M. Karr
Kenneth J. Killpack
Christopher M. Rosenthal
Ruth Candy Tan-Chi

2006 Teaching Awards

**Outstanding first-year
faculty member**

Dr. Alan W. Budenz

**Outstanding second-year
faculty member**

Dr. Roxanna R. Shafiee

**Outstanding third-year
faculty member**

Dr. Gabriela Aron

**Outstanding International Dental
Studies Program faculty member**

Dr. Gabriela Aron (preclinical)

Dr. Dudley Cheu (clinical)

**Lucian Szmyd Memorial Award
Excellence in Teaching Award, 2006**

Dr. Ai B. Streacker

**Outstanding Advanced Education
in General Dentistry Program
faculty member**

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Dr. Paul Subar

Union City:

Dr. Richard D. Crowe

Stockton:

Dr. Kerry D. Hanson

Donald H. Devlin Award

*Dedication and contributions to oral
maxillofacial surgery resident education*

Dr. Edmond Bedrossian

Eberhardt Teacher/Scholar Award, 2006

Exemplary teaching and scholarship

Dr. Leigh C. Anderson

Dr. Thomas Schiff

**Dr. Mark S. Hagge Faculty
Endowment Award**

Exemplary role model and educator

Dr. Eddie K. Hayashida

Order of the Pacific

Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni

55 Years of Service

University of the Pacific is an independent, co-educational university serving more than 6,000 students on three campuses in Northern California. It was established by pioneer Methodist ministers in 1851 as California's first chartered institution of higher learning. Pacific has earned widespread recognition for its student-centered approach to education, its many firsts and innovations, and the accomplishments of its 50,000 living alumni.

As an innovator and leader in higher education, Pacific provided the West Coast with its first medical school in 1858 (which later became part of Stanford and today is California Pacific Medical Center), its first coeducational campus in 1871, and its first conservatory of music in 1878. In the 1960s, Pacific was the first university in the nation to offer "cluster colleges." It was the nation's first 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, and the first to offer a four-year graduation guarantee. By moving from San Jose to Stockton in 1924, Pacific became the first private university in the Central Valley. Shortly after occupying the new campus, Pacific established one of California's earliest schools of education. It was renamed the Gladys L. Benerd School of Education in 1992 in honor of the alumna's endowed gift.

Pacific has enjoyed extraordinary stability in administration. Only five presidents have headed the University since locating in Stockton. Dr. Donald V. DeRosa began his service in 1995 as the fifth President since 1924 and the 23rd since 1851.

The University experienced its greatest growth and an expansion into graduate professional education under the administration of Dr. Robert Burns (1947-1971). The School of Pharmacy opened in 1955. It is now the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, in honor of the benefactor and regent who with his brother Joseph Long founded Longs Drugs Stores. In 1956 the graduate school was created, and in 1957 the School of Engineering was established. In 1962, the College of Physicians and Surgeons, a school of dentistry founded in San Francisco in 1896, was acquired by the University and became the San Francisco campus. In 2004, the school was named the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry in honor of its dean for 26 years. It was the first time any university in the U.S. or Canada had named its dental school for the current dean.

A new concept in higher education in the United States found expression in the establishment of cluster colleges in the 1960s. These colleges adapted the Oxford and Cambridge model to an American setting, integrating faculty and students into living and learning communities. The first, Raymond College, was established in 1962. A second followed in 1963 with the opening of Elbert Covell College, the first bilingual-bicultural college in the country. A third, Callison College, was established in 1967 and focused on non-western studies with a year of study in an Asian culture. The cluster colleges were ended in 1982. However, their emphasis on global education continued in a new School of International Studies, the first university-based undergraduate school of international studies in California. The learning community

concept of the cluster colleges was strengthened in College of the Pacific, the liberal arts and sciences core of the University, recognized for preparing responsible citizen leaders who will contribute in lasting ways to careers and communities.

The expansion of graduate professional education continued when McGeorge College of Law, an independent law school founded in Sacramento in 1924, merged with the University in 1966 as the McGeorge School of Law. In 1977, the department of business administration in College of the Pacific was reorganized as the School of Business and Public Administration. In 1995 it was renamed Eberhardt School of Business in honor of the Eberhardt family's endowed gifts. In 1985 programs designed specifically for adult "re-entry" students were reorganized and revitalized through University College, with further reforms and expansions a decade later in a Center for Professional and Continuing Education.

As the University's Sesquicentennial Year of 2001 approached, a new era of expansion and innovation began. In 1992 Pacific offered the nation's first "four-year guarantee," a promise to students that they will graduate on time if they meet certain requirements or they will not be charged additional tuition for courses necessary to finish the degree. Accelerated programs were initiated by President DeRosa, enabling students to complete undergraduate studies in combination with professional degrees in pharmacy, law, dentistry and business in one to three fewer years than required at many other universities.

In 1999 jazz legend Dave Brubeck and his wife Iola, both Pacific graduates, announced that their papers, recordings and memorabilia would be deposited at Pacific for study and research. In response to this gift, a treasure of historic American music and memorabilia, President DeRosa announced formation of The Brubeck Institute for the study, promotion and performance of American music.

Adding emphasis to the Sesquicentennial Celebration in 2001, Pacific completed or launched more than \$40,000,000 in new construction and facilities improvements, including a 200-person residence hall, the first in more than two decades, an Art and Geosciences Center, a science laboratory building and a \$21-million health sciences learning center and clinic. Since then, the University has added a second new residence hall, greatly expanded its student fitness center and completed a new Humanities Center. It is now completing an addition and renovation of the library. The law school in Sacramento is planning to add new housing and conduct a major renovation of its library. The dental school in San Francisco has state-of-the-art facilities.

Pacific's progress and leadership in higher education have earned national recognition. The University is ranked in the top four "best values" of doctoral level universities on the West Coast, is included in many top ten or top five lists for attention to students, financial aid, career placement and student counseling, and for the Stockton campus, which was ranked as sixth most beautiful campus in the nation. The three professional schools, dentistry, law, and pharmacy, have all achieved national prominence.

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In 2002 the University adopted its second six-year Plan, and in April 2003 it announced a comprehensive campaign to raise \$200 million by 2007. By April 2005, the University had raised more than \$153 million. The Dugoni School of Dentistry had exceeded its \$50 million goal and established a new goal of raising \$65 million by June 2007.

The University is guided by a vision statement that inspires us to achieve excellence: "University of the Pacific will be among the best national universities, known for linking liberal arts and professional education at both undergraduate and graduate levels through distinctive, innovative curricular and co-curricular programs of exceptional quality and high value. Pacific will become a national leader in the creative use of experiential learning and leadership development."



University Accomplishments

First Chartered Institution of Higher Education in California

First Chartered Medical School on the West Coast, 1858

First Co-educational Campus, 1871

First Conservatory of Music in the West, 1878

First to Introduce Cluster School Concept in the West

First Four-Year Private Institution in the Central Valley of California

First to Offer an Undergraduate Teacher Corps Program

First to Send an Entire Class to an Overseas Campus

First to Establish a Spanish Speaking Inter-American College

First University-Based Undergraduate School of International Studies in California

First University to Offer a Four-Year Guarantee that Assures Completion of a Bachelor's Degree

First University to Offer Matching Cal Grants

First and Only Dental School that Completes Four Academic Years in Three Years

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