Advanced Education in ORTHODONTICS
A Clinical Continuing Education Program

OVERVIEW
The Rutgers School of Dental Medicine, Department of Orthodontics’ Advanced Education Program offers a unique educational experience. This eleven month program includes didactic orthodontic courses, orthodontic case diagnosis and treatment planning, orthodontic teaching, orthodontic research, as well as significant clinical patient treatment interaction.

PROGRAM DESIGN/OBJECTIVES
The participant will provide comprehensive orthodontic treatment (including diagnosis and treatment planning, record keeping, appliance placement, etc.) to multiple patients while also attending orthodontic didactic courses and case conferences. Participants will have the opportunity to become involved in post-graduate level teaching and research endeavors should they choose to do so. A notification of completion is awarded at the end of the program. Completion of the advanced education program in Orthodontics does not imply, nor guarantee, entry into an orthodontic post-graduate/residency program.

SCHEDULE
- This program was developed to be an eleven-month experience beginning July 1 and ending by May 31 each academic year; Mondays through Fridays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.
- Holidays and vacations coincide with the post-graduate schedule.
- Participant will be allowed one day a week out of clinic to pursue research and/or other endeavors starting in the fall.
- Participants will be allowed eight (8) additional days for personal or sick days.
- The school may also close for severe weather events.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION
- Commitment to improve didactic and clinical knowledge in the field of Orthodontics.
- Educational background and previous training.
- Three letters of recommendation.
- Admission interview.
- There is one position available each year.
EVALUATION OF PARTICIPANT
For satisfactory completion of the program, the Participant must:

- Complete attendance requirements of the program.
- Demonstrate didactic and clinical knowledge in Orthodontics as determined by the director and attending faculty in the Department of Orthodontics.
- Achieve a minimum grade of 80% on a comprehensive written or oral examination at the conclusion of the program.
- Submit a written paper of publishable quality. The Program Director and Participant will mutually agree upon topic.

FACILITIES
The Rutgers School of Dental Medicine is located on the Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences Newark Campus. The medical and dental schools, graduate school of biomedical sciences, and the University Hospital are grouped together on an attractive campus with convenient private parking.

FACULTY
Department of Orthodontics

ANIL ARDESHNA, DMD, MDS - Program Director
Associate Professor
Director for Postgraduate Orthodontic Program

THOMAS J. CANGIALOSI, DDS
Chair and Professor
Department of Orthodontics

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Have a DDS/DMD degree or its equivalent from an accredited dental school.
- Payment of non-refundable applicant fee of $200 U.S. (send with application).
- Submission of a completed application form, include:
  - Documentation of your Objectives and Goals (see page 2 of application form).
  - Curriculum Vitae (attach or embed a small photo if available).
  - Copies, verified by your dental school, of your Transcript and Dental School Diploma.
  - Two to three original Letters of Recommendation (see page 4 of this form).
- Applicants with foreign degrees will be considered based upon an evaluation of their academic credentials. An original Evaluation Report from one of the following is required:
  - Educational Credential Evaluators (ECE);
  - World Education Services (WES);
  - National Assoc. of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES).
- Applicants with English as a second language must attain a TOEFL score of 80 or higher; or an International English Language Testing System (IELTS) overall score of 6 or greater. Submit an original report.
- Although Graduate Record Examination (GRE) and National Board scores are not required, but may be submitted in support of the application.
- Attend a personal interview when possible.
- Be a citizen or a permanent resident of the United States, or a foreign national with a visa status acceptable to the CE program.

Deadline for submission of application: see website:
http://sdm.rutgers.edu/CDE/advanced_programs/index.html
Further Requirements

Upon notification of preliminary acceptance into the program, the applicant will also be required to:

- Pay a non-refundable deposit of $1,000 (U.S.) within 20 days of notification of acceptance.
- Submit Health and Immunization Forms per University policy “Student Immunization and Health Requirements.” Completed forms must be submitted 2 months prior to the start of the program. Participant will not start their program until they have been cleared by Student Health Services.
- Submit Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) certification that is valid for duration of program.
- Be cleared by a Background Check; an additional fee is required for this.
- Provide proof of Health Insurance.
- Licensed U.S. Dentists provide proof of Liability Insurance.
- Full tuition is due three (3) weeks prior to the start of the program.

TUITION

The tuition for this Advanced Education program for the academic year 2017-2018 will be a total of $45,000 (US). Some additional fees and expenses may be applicable. A non-refundable deposit of $3,500 is required to hold your place in the program; payment must be received within 20 days of notification of acceptance. The balance of the tuition is due three weeks prior to the start of the program.

CANCELLATION POLICY

To participate in this program you must be pre-registered with the Office of Continuing Dental Education. No refunds of any tuition paid will be made after program has started.

CREDIT

This Advanced Education program offers a unique opportunity for didactic and hands-on clinical experience in the Department of Orthodontics. It is a non-matriculated, continuing dental education program. If participant completes the program as designed, they will earn 1,430 continuing education credit hours.

HOW TO APPLY

Submit completed application to:
Rutgers School of Dental Medicine
Continuing Dental Education
Attn: Corinne Swass-Fogarty
110 Bergen Street, B701
Newark, NJ 07103

For more information:
Phone: 973-972-6561
Email: cde@sdm.rutgers.edu

Link to the Application Form can be found on this webpage:
http://sdm.rutgers.edu/CDE/advanced_programs/index.html

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