



Class of 2009
University of Illinois at Chicago
College of Dentistry



A Message from the Dean

Welcome to the Commencement program for the College of Dentistry!

This is a long-awaited day for the members of the Class of 2009, and I join parents, families, and friends in extending congratulations on this memorable occasion. On behalf of the College of Dentistry family, I wish them every success as they enter the practice of their chosen profession, go on to postdoctoral education, or embark on careers in academic dentistry.

All of our graduates have made many sacrifices. They have worked diligently, and they have developed into the future leaders of our profession. We all look forward to their contributions to dentistry and society, and we are proud to welcome them as alumni of the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bruce S. Graham".

Bruce S. Graham
Dean



MESSAGE FROM THE DDS AND IDDP CLASS OF 2009

On behalf of the Class of 2009, we would like to express our sincere thanks to you all for sharing this special day with us! The past few years have been quite a journey, and we couldn't have done it without the love and support of our family and friends! We are extraordinarily blessed to have you in our lives. Thank you!

DDS Class Officers: John Foley, Courtney Villari, Sonia Belani, Michael Kirsch, Joseph Baptist, Theresa Wang, Ryan Grelle Tuscher, Paul DiFranco, Scott McCarty, Daisy Varughese, Benjamin Baptist, Leila Shahbandar, Ashley Harrington

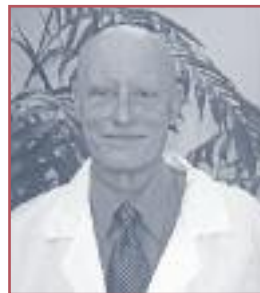
IDDP Class Officers: Jasleen Raina, Deniz Anar, Shaila Kabani, Chaitra Rao, Abhishek Kapoor, Julia Savina

DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY CLASS OF 2009 HONORARY CLASS HOODER



MICHAEL A. DUNLAP
CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR,
RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY

INTERNATIONAL DENTIST DEGREE PROGRAM CLASS OF 2009 HONORARY CLASS HOODER



EDWARD E. SAVERS
CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR,
RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY

Thank you, Dr. Dunlap and Dr. Savers, for sharing your wisdom and expertise with us these past few years! We greatly appreciate that you have selflessly guided us towards a path of success with so much kindness and respect. Thank you for being such wonderful teachers! You have forever left an impression in our lives.

Class of 2009

PRELUDE **Lakeside Pride Ensemble**

PROCESSIONAL

University of Illinois at Chicago Banner **Deniz Anar**
Vice President, IDDP Class of 2009

College of Dentistry Banner **Courtney Villari**
Vice President, DDS Class of 2009

Faculty Marshals **Phillip Marucha**
Associate Dean for Research
Caswell Evans
Associate Dean for Prevention and Public Health Sciences

Student Marshal **Gary Drahos**
Clinical Associate Professor, Oral Medicine and Diagnostic Sciences
Director, Initial Patient Care Services

NATIONAL ANTHEM

“The Star-Spangled Banner” (Francis Scott Key) **Daisy Varughese**
DDS Class of 2009

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF PLATFORM PARTY **G. William Knight**
Assistant Dean for Clinical Education

GREETINGS FROM THE COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY **Bruce S. Graham**
Dean

GREETINGS FROM THE PROVOST **R. Michael Tanner**
Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, University of Illinois at Chicago

GREETINGS FROM THE CLASS OF 2009 **Ryan Grelle Tuscher**
Dental Student Council President

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Endodontics **Bradford R. Johnson**
Director of Postdoctoral Program

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery **Michael Miloro**
Department Head

Orthodontics **Carla Evans**
Department Head

Pediatric Dentistry **Indru C. Punwani**
Department Head

Periodontics **Joseph V. Califano**
Director of Postdoctoral Program

Prosthodontics **Stephen D. Campbell**
Department Head

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AND DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
IN ORAL SCIENCES CANDIDATES**

Jonathan Art
Associate Dean, Graduate College

Hooders **Thomas Diekwisch**
Department Head, Oral Biology

Phillip Marucha
Assistant Dean for Research

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DEGREE PROGRAM CANDIDATES**

Terry L. Parsons
Director, International Dentist
Degree Program

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Darryl Pendleton
Associate Dean for Student and
Diversity Affairs

Hooders **Frank Licari**
Executive Associate Dean for
Academic Affairs

Michael Dunlap
DDS Class of 2009 Honorary
Hooder

Edward E. Savers
IDDP Class of 2009 Honorary
Hooder

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES (see list on page I8)

R. Michael Tanner

DENTIST'S PLEDGE

Caswell Evans

RESPONSE FROM THE CLASS OF 2009

John Foley
President, DDS Class of 2009

Jasleen Raina
President, IDDP Class of 2009

DISMISSAL

G. William Knight

RECESSIONAL

RECEPTION

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The Dentist's Pledge

As a member of the dental profession,
I shall keep this pledge and these stipulations.

I understand and accept that my primary responsibility is to my patients,
and I shall dedicate myself to render, to the best of my ability,
the highest standard of oral health care
and to maintain a relationship of respect and confidence.

Therefore, let all come to me safe in the knowledge
that their total health and well-being are my first considerations.

I shall accept the responsibility that, as a professional,
my competence rests on continuing the attainment of knowledge
and skill in the arts and sciences of dentistry.

I acknowledge my obligation to support and sustain the honor and integrity
of the profession and to conduct myself in all endeavors
such that I shall merit the respect
of patients, colleagues, and my community.

I further commit myself to the betterment of my community
for the benefit of all 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.

FACULTY PLATFORM PARTY 2009

Honored Guests

R. Michael TannerProvost and Vice
Chancellor
Jonathan ArtAssociate Dean,
Graduate College
Mrinalini C. RaoVice President,
Academic Affairs
Elias C. PittosStudent Trustee

Leadership Team

Bruce S. GrahamDean
Caswell Evans
G. William Knight
Frank Licari
Darryl Pendleton
Mark Valentino

Endodontics

Bradford JohnsonProgram Director
Michael Barrows
Ronald Milnarik
Charles Neach
Steve Weeks

Molecular Biology and Oral Diseases

Rhonna Cohen

Oral Biology

Thomas DiekwischHead
Thomas Lakars

Oral Medicine and Diagnostic Sciences

Gary Drahos
Joel Laudenbach
Timothy Toepke
Stephanie Ward-Harris

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Michael MiloroHead
William Flick
Leslie Heffez

Orthodontics

Carla EvansHead
Maria Galang
Robert Manasse
Zane Muhl

Pediatric Dentistry

Indru PunwaniHead
Sahar Alrayyes
Aljernon Bolden
Charolette Briggs
Anne Koerber
Larry Salzmann
Christine Wu

Periodontics

Joseph CalifanoProgram Director
Seema Ashrafi
Shirley Beaver
Keiko Watanabe

Restorative Dentistry

Stephen CampbellHead
Blase Brown
James Bryniarski
James Drummond
Michael Dunlap
Farhad Fayz
Robin Gay
Pamela Jurgens-Toepke
Chaitra Kishore
Kent Knoernschild
Alyson Koslow
David Kumamoto
Charles Luptak
Terry Parsons
Frank Perry
James Ricker
Susan Rowan
Michael Santucci
Edward Savers
Brenda Taylor
Kevin Van Kanegan
Stephen Zeck



CADUCEUS

The official emblem of dentistry as adopted by the American Dental Association in November 1965. The design uses as its central figure a serpent entwined about an ancient Arabian cautery in the manner of the single serpent of Aesculapius the Greek god of medicine, coiled about a rod. The Greek letter Δ (delta) for dentistry and the Greek letter O (omicron) for odont (tooth) form the periphery of the design. In the background are 32 leaves and 20 berries, representative of the permanent and temporary teeth.