Dean’s Updates
June 2024
College Statistics 2024-25

- 183 DDS students total
- 6 DDS/MBA students
- 4 DDS/MHEA students
- 2 DDS/Biomedical students
- 1 DDS/MPH student
- 81 residents in advanced education programs

**Faculty**
- 28 full-time (+9)
- 82 part-time

**Support staff**
- 104 full-time
- 11 part-time
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2024 TALENT SHOW
Presented by Stony Brook ASDA
WANG THEATER
SUNDAY APRIL 28
12 PM & 5 PM
TICKETS ON SALE
OR USE QR CODE
Host For The Show
Dr. Anthony Fazio
Class of 1996
April 7 – 8
Washington, DC
April 7 – 8
Washington, DC
White Coat Ceremony
April 15
Senior Dinner
May 9
SBU Doctoral Hooding Ceremony
May 14

Michelle Wu, DDS Valedictorian
Class of 2024
Senior Awards
May 14
School of Dental Medicine Convocation
May 15
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May 15

New Executive Vice President of Stony Brook Medicine
THE STONY BROOK MEDICAL AND DENTAL CLASSES OF 2027
CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO THE
Donor Remembrance Ceremony
MAY 18TH, 2024 | 12:00 PM
BAUMAN CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE
BENEDECT D013, 200 CIRCLE ROAD,
STONY BROOK, NY, 11790
Students by Gender (46):
- Female: 30 (65%)
- Male: 16 (35%)

Students by Ethnicity:
- Caucasian: 22
- Asian Pacific Islander: 22
- Native American: 1
- Hispanic: 1
- African American: 0

Students by Region:
- In-State: 40 (87%)
- Out-of-State: 6 (13%)

Class of 2028
## Class of 2028 Admissions Data

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46 Students from 23 undergraduate institutions

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FACULTY SPOTLIGHT: DR. ANTHONY FAZIO

Dr. Fazio describes himself as a "Stony Brook Lifer" who has been driving down Nicholas Road since 1988. He received his Bachelor of Science in Biology from SB in 1992, his DDS degree from SB in 1996 and he completed his GPR residency at SB University Hospital in 1997. Following his GPR, Dr. Fazio purchased his private practice from a SB Faculty member Dr. William J. Tischler. Dr. Fazio then came on at SB Dental school as a volunteer faculty member and became a paid part time faculty member from 2001 till the present day.

HOW ARE YOU CONNECTED TO STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY?

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT GERARD FISHER

First year Oral Surgery Resident at Nassau University Medical Center

D3 REFLECTIONS

BYUNG MIN NAHM, DMD
Resident, Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics

ASDA chapter magazine

The Articulator
Happiness is ...

Dana Gelb, DDS ’24
Raina Singh, DDS ’24
Class of 2024 Destinations

GPR
(28)
Cambridge Health Alliance
Community Medical Center
Englewood Health
Hackensack UMC Mountainside
Montefiore Medical Center
Morristown Medical Center
Northwell Health
NY Medical College
NYC Health & Hospitals-Queens
NYU Langone-Long Island
Overlook Medical Center
St. Barnabas Hospital
St. Charles Hospital
Stony Brook University
Tufts University
University of Michigan
US Navy
Veterans Administration Medical Center-Brooklyn
Veterans Administration Medical Center-Northport

OMFR
(1)
Stony Brook University

OMFS
(3)
Geisinger Medical Center
NY Presbyterian Hospital-Weill Cornell Campus
Nova Southeastern University/Broward Health

ORTHOM
(4)
Montefiore Medical Center/Einstein College
Rutgers University
Stony Brook University
University of the Pacific

PEDS
(4)
Cohen Children’s Hospital at LIJ Medical Center
NY Presbyterian Kids/Columbia
NYU Langone-Brooklyn
Temple University Hospital

PERIO
(2)
Columbia University

PRIVATE PRACTICE
(1)
Stony Brook University
The IA/NY American Gothic

Jamie Wu, DDS
SDM Class of 2024
Residency Program Applications - 2024

- Dental Anesthesiology: 43 positions
- Endodontics: 150 positions
- General Practice Residency: 83 positions
- Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology: 27 positions
- Orthodontics: 195 positions
- Pediatric Dentistry: 92 positions
- Periodontics: 72 positions
- Prosthodontics: 23 positions

Total positions: 38
Dental Education of New Residents (43)

- Boston University Goldman School of Dental Medicine
- Case Western Reserve University School of Dental Medicine
- Columbia University College of Dental Medicine (4)
- Loma Linda University School of Dentistry
- Midwestern University College of Dental Medicine
- New York University College of Dentistry (10)
- Rutgers School of Dental Medicine (2)
- State University of New York at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine (2)
- State University of New York at Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine (6)
- Temple University School of Dentistry
- Touro College of Dental Medicine at New York Medical College (6)
- Tufts University School of Dental Medicine
- University of California at Los Angeles School of Dentistry
- University of California – San Francisco School of Dentistry
- University of Michigan School of Dentistry
- University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dental Medicine
- University of Nevada Las Vegas School of Dental Medicine
- University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
- University of Washington School of Dentistry

N=19
26% of US schools
Residents and fellows per Advanced Education Program

2024-25

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Molly Richter  
Credentialing and Compliance Manager  
121A Rockland Hall  
Stony Brook University - B.A. Business Administration and Media Studies  
North American Partners in Anesthesia (NAPA) - Credentialing Specialist
Kathleen Fitzpatrick
Executive Assistant to the Dean

B.A. in Sociology - Purchase College
Masters of Fine Arts in Creative Writing - Stony Brook University

Executive Assistant to the Global Chief Operating Officer of Platform Solutions at Goldman, Sachs & Co.
Faculty addition (FT)

Alexandra Makara, DDS
Assistant Clinical Professor
Department of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry

Start Date: August 1

DDS
New York University
College of Dentistry

Certificate in Pediatric Dentistry
University of Rochester Eastman
Institute for Oral Health
Staff hires – February 1, 2024 to May 31, 2024

• Kathleen Fitzpatrick, Executive Assistant to the Dean
• Laura Herrera, Dental Assistant, Dental Care Center
• Letisha Jenkins, Instructional Support Assistant, Dental Care Center
• Amine Khoudari, Dental Assistant, Dental Care Center
• Evelyn Lugo, Office Assistant, Dental Care Center
• Katherine Plotas, Instructional Support Assistant, Dental Care Center
• Molly Richter, Credentialing and Compliance Manager, Office of the Dean
• Patricia Sanna, Instructional Support Assistant, Dental Care Center
• Dana White, Staff Assistant, Dental Care Center
Active Search

Clinical Assistant/Associate Professor – Orthodontics (FT)

Chair:
Dr. Kimberly Patterson, Clinical Associate Professor and Interim Chair, Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry

Committee Members:
Dr. Richard Faber, Clinical Professor, Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry
Dr. Zachary Faber, Clinical Assistant Professor, Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry
Dr. Hechang Huang, Associate Professor, Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry
Dr. Sri Myneni, Associate Professor, Periodontics and Endodontics
Dr. Duane Shank, Clinical Assistant Professor, Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry

Administrative Support:
Ms. Emmy Yan, Department Senior Staff Assistant
Active Search

Clinical Assistant /Associate Professor – Pediatric Dentistry (FT)

Chair:
Dr. Kimberly Patterson, Clinical Associate Professor and Interim Chair, Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry

Committee Members:
Dr. Richard Faber, Clinical Professor, Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry
Dr. Mina Mahdian, Associate Professor, Prosthodontics and Digital Technology
Dr. Thomas Manders, Clinical Assistant Professor, Periodontics and Endodontics
Dr. Michael Proothi, Clinical Assistant Professor, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Dr. Rekha Reddy, Clinical Assistant Professor, Oral Biology and Pathology
Dr. Mark Salerno, Clinical Assistant Professor, Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry

Administrative Support:
Ms. Emmy Yan, Department Senior Staff Assistant
Active Search

Assistant Professor (Tenure) – Periodontics (FT)

Chair:
   Dr. Vincent Iacono, Distinguished Service Professor and Chair, Periodontics & Endodontics

Committee Members:
   Dr. Mina Mahdian, Associate Professor, Prosthodontics and Digital Technology
   Dr. Thomas Manders, Clinical Assistant Professor, Periodontics and Endodontics
   Dr. Sri Myneni, Associate Professor, Periodontics and Endodontics
   Dr. Tanya Somohano Marquez, Clinical Associate Professor, Prosthodontics and Digital Technology
   Dr. Steven Zove, Interim Associate Dean for Clinic Operations and Patient Care

Administrative Support:
   Ms. Amy Torres, Department Senior Staff Assistant
Active Search

Clinical Assistant/Associate Professor – Prosthodontics (FT)

Chair:
Dr. Rafael Delgado Ruiz, Associate Professor, Prosthodontics and Digital Technology

Committee Members:
Dr. Clarisa Amarillas Gastelum, Assistant Professor, General Dentistry
Mr. Axel Calderon, Manager, Center for Implant and Digital Technology
Dr. Soosan Ghazizadeh, Professor, Oral Biology and Pathology
Dr. Tanya Somohano Marquez, Clinical Associate Professor, Prosthodontics and Digital Technology
Dr. Steven Zove, Interim Associate Dean for Clinic Operations and Patient Care

Administrative Support:
Elizabeth Schroeder, Department Senior Staff Assistant
Active Search

Assistant/Associate Professor (Tenure), Neuroscience

Chair:
Dr. Stephen Walker, Interim Chair, Department of Oral Biology and Pathology

Committee Members:
Dr. Soosan Ghazizadeh, Professor, Oral Biology and Pathology
Dr. Martin Kaczocha, Associate Professor, Department of Anesthesiology, RSOM
Dr. Mary Kritzer, Professor, Department of Neurobiology and Behavior, RSOM
Dr. Thomas Manders, Director, Division of Endodontics
Ms. Patricia Murray, Human Resources, Business Partner
Ms. Allison Newman, D3

Administrative Support:
Maria Gundy, Assistant to Interim Chair, Department of Oral Biology and Pathology
Active Search

Associate Dean for Finance and Administration

Chair:
Mr. John Riley, Associate Vice President for HS Administration and Finance

Committee Members:
Dr. Dolores Cannella, Associate Dean for Education
Dr. Dan Colosi, Interim Chair, Department of Prosthodontics and Digital Technology
Dr. Eric Lamberg, Associate Dean, School of Health Professions
Ms. Patricia Murray, Human Resources, Business Partner
Dr. Sri Myneni, Assistant Professor, Periodontics and Endodontics
Ms. Ellen Peng, Assistant Director of IT

Administrative Support:
Josephine Levan, Executive Assistant, Dean’s Office
Active Search

Chair, Department of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry (Tenure)

Chair:
Dr. Stephen Walker, Interim Chair, Department of Oral Biology and Pathology

Committee Members:
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Dr. Kimberly Patterson, Clinical Associate Professor and Interim Chair, Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry
Ms. Lynda Reynolds, Senior Staff Assistant for Advanced Education Programs
Dr. Eric Zhang, Orthodontics Resident

Administrative Support:
Josephine Levan, Executive Assistant, Dean’s Office
Faculty Candidate Presentation: Associate Dean for Clinical Operations and Patient Care

All students, residents, staff and faculty are invited to join SDM faculty and candidate for a presentation titled “Using Innovation to Manage Current and Future Clinic Administration.”

Date: Thursday, August 17th, 2023
Location: 111 Rockland Hall

Dr. Howe currently serves as the director of the Division of Special Care Dentistry and associate professor in the Department of Family and Preventive Dentistry at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. Additionally, he conducts research into the relationship between dental caries, dental anomalies and their patterns in children with cleft lip and/or palate. Prior to joining the faculty at Iowa, Dr. Howe worked at the University of Wisconsin and a Master of Science in oral science from Iowa University.

Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine
Goals of Faculty Recruitment

- Recruit **world class** faculty into our ranks
- **Engage** students, staff and faculty in the processes of the school
- **Promote** the school through professional advertisements and announcements
- Bring **competitive** applicants to campus to “check us out”
- Create **goodwill** ambassadors for the school
- Help make the next search a little **easier**
- An **opportunity** to learn from candidates being interviewed for positions in the school
Senior Administration and Faculty Hires in the Offing

• Chair, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
• Program Director, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency
• Program Director, General Practice Residency
• Bone Biologist, Oral Biology and Pathology
• Assistant Professor, Pediatric Dentistry
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THANK YOU!

GIVING DAY

MARCH 27, 2024

#SBUGivingDay

$5,509
Greater Long Island Dental Meeting
April 2
Alumni events

Saturday, May 4
Alumni events

Saturday, May 25
New York State Dental Association House of Delegates meeting
May 31 – June 2
Verona, NY
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Presentations

Ana Carolina Botta, DDS, MS, PhD
Faculty calibration: Challenges and opportunities in teaching evidence-based clinical practice

Kimberly Patterson, DDS, MS
Finding Your Voice: Addressing Workplace and Advancement Equitability Issues
15 presentations at IADR/AADOCR conference
Research Day – March 28

Keynote Speaker

Timothy Wright, DDS, MS, Professor, Pediatric Dentistry
UNC School of Dentistry

Editor-in-Chief, Journal of the American Dental Association

“Hereditary Craniofacial Conditions: Translating Discovery to Therapy”
Research Day – March 28
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Research publications

Zyad Amin, D4 student

Dan Colosi, DDS, PhD, Interim Chair, Department of Prosthodontics and Digital Technology

Nora Odingo, BDS, DMD, MPH, Clinical Assistant Professor, Division of Oral Pathology, Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Rekha Reddy, DMD, Clinical Assistant Professor, Division of Oral Pathology, Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Research publications

Marika Jagielska, BA '17, DDS, Chief Resident, Department of Prosthodontics and Digital Technology

Tanya Somohano-Marquez, DMD, Clinical Associate Professor and Director, Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics, Department of Prosthodontics and Digital Technology

Rafael Delgado-Ruiz, DDS, MSc, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Prosthodontics and Digital Technology

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Dental school café renovation

“We’re almost there!”
ETA Mid-July
Barbara Desmond
Operating Room Coordinator

Theresa Magier
Senior Administrative Assistant II
Westchester Hall Room 105
create office for IT staff (Jordan and Tony)
Westchester Hall Room 109
create workspace for IT staff (Jordan and Tony)
Stony Brook
School of Dental Medicine

Students – 186
Residents – 88

Facility space → 40%
Clinic space → 75%

1978 vs 2024

1978 vs 1992

1973
1978
1987
1992
2010

School of Dental Medicine
2024

Clinic space → 75%
Upgraded and expanded sterilization facility

Instrument and equipment mailboxes
Westchester Hall renovate and combine rooms 108, 104, 100, and 189 to create a large, open core material research lab.
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Part-time faculty offices General Dentistry
131 and 141 Westchester Hall
Combining Rooms 195 and 196

Tear Down This Wall
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Dental Assistants Week
March 3-9
Dental Hygienists Week
April 7-14
National Administrative Professionals Day
April 24
Leadership Development Academy Graduation Ceremony

Thursday, April 18th, 2024
9:00 am - 11:30 am

Capstone Project Teams

The Innovators:
Craig Beale, MA | Speech - Language Pathologist Lead | Speech & Hearing
Kelly Ann Breslin, MBA, ACP | SBSH, Director of Quality Data Management | SBSH Department of Quality Management
Stacey Ann Castagnola, Mgr of Stnt Instr, Equip & Mater | Office of the Dean
Michael Dillon, Procurement Officer III | Hospital Purchasing
Erin Hultfish, MD | Medical Director of Innovation | Peds Intensive Care Physician
Expression of Gratitude

Pauline Philippeau-St. Omer
Dental Implant Manager
Expression of Gratitude

John Kryjak
Instructional Support Technician
Expression of Gratitude

Joe Pitisi
Instructional Support Technician
Faculty Promotions

Thomas Manders, DDS
Clinical Associate Professor
Department of Periodontics and Endodontics

Tanya Somohano Marquez, DMD
Clinical Associate Professor
Department of Prosthodontics and Digital Technology

Srinivas Myneni, BDS, MS, PhD
Associate Professor
Department of Periodontics and Endodontics

Jerome Cymerman, DMD
Clinical Associate Professor,
Department of Periodontics and Endodontics
Dolores Cannella, MA, PhD
Associate Dean for Education

Elected as secretary of the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Section on Academic Affairs
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You must take steps to bring the group together, retain the chosen individuals and make a team and transform them into a ‘Dream Team.’ It takes more than a paycheck to retain good employees. The staff must be in tune with each other and feel the appreciation by the owner to feel ‘in’ on stuff.

- Joseph P. Graskemper, D.D.S., J.D.
Stony Brook Health Beat

News for the Stony Brook Medicine Community

A Message from William Wertheim, MD, MBA, Interim Executive Vice President for Stony Brook Medicine

March 18, 2024
SDM Class of 2024 Secures Residencies

The future recently came into focus for the Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine Class of 2024, as over 40 of its members who sought a residency position successfully secured one. Additionally, one fourth-year student will enter private practice upon earning their DDS, and another has committed to a residency with the United States Navy Dental Corps. This year’s class will begin their careers across seven states, joining residency programs in general dentistry, oral and maxillofacial radiology, oral and maxillofacial surgery, orthodontics, pediatric dentistry and periodontics.
“I am so very proud of the Class of 2024, which is more than prepared for the next step in their journey, whether it be in residency, private practice or the military,” said Patrick Lloyd, DDS, MS, School of Dental Medicine Dean. “Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine has a long and proud tradition of educating students who will provide care for their patients that is both comprehensive and compassionate. I look forward to seeing these students thrive even further as they go forth from Stony Brook as the newest class of dental professionals.”

Thank you to Dean Peter Igarashi and Dean Patrick Lloyd for their leadership and guidance, which have led our students to success. Thank you also to our faculty and staff for your unwavering support of our students. You inspire me daily.
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March 27, 2024
Conferences and Lectures

School of Dental Medicine Research Symposium
Thursday, March 28, 8 am
Student Activities Center, Ballrooms A and B
Stony Brook University

More than 40 dental students, master’s students and SDM residents will present their findings at the SDM’s annual research symposium, disclosing new knowledge that will positively influence the practice of dentistry.

Timothy Wright, DDS, MS, Professor in the Division of Pediatric Dentistry and Public Health at the Adams School of Dentistry at the University of North Carolina, and Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of the American Dental Association, will deliver this year’s Leo and Mickey Sreebny Distinguished Lectureship. Dr. Wright’s address, titled “Hereditary Craniofacial Conditions: Translating Discovery to Therapy,” will begin in Sidney Gelber Auditorium at 8:55 am.
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April 14, 2024
Research Symposium Promotes Discovery

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We are fortunate to have the Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine within our own backyard and grateful that Dean Lloyd has taken such an active role in solidifying the bond between the school and our Society. His updates on the dental school happenings at our monthly Board meetings allow us to keep our finger on the pulse of what is going on at the University.
New York State Academic Dental Centers (NYSADC)

Improving Access to Oral Health Care

We represent the six dental schools in New York State, working together to expand careers in dental medicine and advocate for improved access to oral health care for all.
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Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine: Renowned Leader in Oral and Craniofacial Research to Deliver Convocation Address

Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine is pleased to announce executive officer of the International Association for Dental Research (IADR) and the American Association for Dental, Oral and Craniofacial Research (AADOCR), will deliver the keynote address for the 2024 SDM Convocation Ceremony. Read more.

Facility

Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine: Associate Dean Appointed to ADEA Leadership Position

Dolores Connolly, MA, PhD, associate dean for education at Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine, has been elected as secretary of the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Section on Academic Affairs. The announcement came at the ADEA Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana, in March. Read more.
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May 6, 2024
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Loredana Calce, DDS - Ridge Alteration Following Dental Extractions and Ridge Preservation Procedures
Jenny Xiao, DDS - Anesthetic Considerations for Patients with Special Needs
Sean Zar, DDS - Treatment Considerations for Anterior Tooth Size Discrepancies
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Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine: Pediatric Dentist Selected as 2024 Distinguished Alumnus

As Reneida Reyes, DDS ’78, MPH, took the stage at Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine’s White Coat Ceremony in April, the decorated pediatric dentist began her address with two words: Tempus fugit. In Latin: “Time flies.” Back on the Stony Brook campus once more, Dr. Reyes has made the most of her time as a practitioner, teacher and in organized dentistry, prompting the SDM’s Alumni Chapter to name her as this year’s recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award. Read more.
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May 22, 2024
SDM Grads to ‘Make a Difference’

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Gaining momentum: License portability on the horizon

Maine activates Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact

“I am excited to see how we progress as other states join the DDH Compact and continue to expand the portability for dentists in the U.S. This is an achievement that has been a long time coming,” Dr. Howe said.
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Class of 2024 Encouraged to “Make a Difference”

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Faculty News

Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine
Welcomes Clinical Assistant Professor of Pediatric Dentistry

Alexandra Makara, DDS, will be joining the School of Dental Medicine as a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry beginning in August. Originally from Glen Cove, New York, Makara is currently finishing her second and final year in the pediatric dentistry residency program at University of Rochester Eastman Institute for Oral Health. Read more.
Q & A Town Hall meeting
June 11
Stony Brook University Hospital MART
Q & A session:

“We have heard that the School of Dental Medicine is being equipped with a café that will serve food for the South Campus. Can you please give us an update on that project?”

“Early on in the development of the Lake Grove clinic there was talk about having a dental clinic there that would be administered by the School of Dental Medicine. Is this still the plan?”
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**June 25:** Resident Orientation  
**June 26-29:** Society of American Indian Dentists (SAID) Conference (Buffalo, NY)  
**July 8-12:** Dive into Dental Sciences Summer High School Program  
**July 15:** Faculty Council Meeting  
**July 19:** Last Day of Clinic for Dental Students  
**July 21-26:** Discover Dental School  
**August 5:** First Day for D1 students  
**August 15:** SDM Schoolwide Barbecue  
**August 16:** Ducks baseball game (Central Islip)  
**August 12:** First Day for D2s – D4s  
**August 22:** Stony Brook Gives Kids a Smile Day  
**September 28:** CommUniversity Day  
**October 3:** Dental Educators Day  
**October 17-19:** American Dental Association meeting (New Orleans)
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