

Endowed Fund Opportunities

General Dentistry

Stanley L. Handelman Fellowship Fund

The Stanley L. Handelman Fellowship Fund was established to honor the formative legacy of general dentistry pioneer and former department chair, Dr. Stanley Handelman, to further his vision of academic excellence and address the increasing decline of people entering academic dentistry. The fund supports a resident that has a particular interest in clinical, academic, administrative, or clinical research work with a focus on graduate studies for a master's and a PhD. The fund can also support a general dentistry resident interested in developing leadership skills in postdoctoral programs, community, and rural health care centers, and in the conduct of clinical (outcomes) research.

Periodontology

Jack G. Caton Graduate Fellowship Fund

This fund was established by respected, longtime department chair, Dr. Jack Caton, and Mrs. Harriet Caton. The purpose of the Caton Fund is to increase awareness of the latest oral health care challenges, encourage the recruitment of qualified, recent dental graduates to academic dentistry, and promote the advancement of oral health education and research. The fund provides fellowship grants to individuals interested in pursuing a dental academic or administrative position within Periodontics.

Prosthodontics

Gerald N. Graser Fellowship Fund

Established in recognition of renowned prosthodontist and former department chair, Dr. Gerald N. Graser, and his countless contributions to the field of Dentistry. The Graser Fellowship Fund in Dentistry addresses shortages of dental school faculty by encouraging the recruitment of newly graduated, qualified dentists to dental faculty positions and promote the advancement of oral health education and academic research. The fund provides support to an individual interested in pursuing an academic or administrative position related to Prosthodontics and aims to foster expert educators, promote career development within the field of dentistry, and supports educational innovation and research in working closely with other members of Eastman faculty and staff.

Oral and Craniofacial Sciences

Margaret and Cy Welcher Professorship in Dental Research

The Margaret and Cy Welcher Educational Fund was established to support the Margaret and Cy Welcher Professorship in Dental Research. To the extent that the Welcher Professorship is adequately funded, the endowment may be used at the discretion of the Director of the Department of Oral and Craniofacial Sciences.

Orthodontics

J. Daniel Subtelny Fund

The Subtelny Fund is widely considered one of the most prestigious endowed funds at the Eastman Institute for Oral Health and is managed by the Eastman Dental Center Foundation. The fund was created by five alumni of Orthodontics of the Eastman Institute for Oral Health to honor the beloved chair and pioneer of the field of Orthodontics, Dr. Subtelny. This fund can support several priorities within Orthodontics and is governed by a group of dedicated Orthodontics Alumni in collaboration with the department chair.

Resident Support

William H. Bowen Scholars Fund

This fund was established to honor internationally acclaimed researcher and former chair of what is now the Department of Oral and Craniofacial Sciences. The purpose of the fund is to support training of students or summer scholars seeking a master's degree in dental science, or PhD relevant to dental science.

Western New York Dental Group Endowment

Established in 2017, this endowment provides scholarship support for one or more residents. Distributions may be used to provide scholarships for several students in any year, at the discretion of the director of the Institute. First preference of the scholarship will be residents in the General Dentistry, Prosthodontics, Orthodontics, Periodontics, Pediatric Dentistry, or Oral Surgery graduate residency programs, and shall display the attributes of a professional capable of entering a dental practice, specifically including teamwork skills, clinical excellence, and leadership.

Overarching, Institutional Support

Eastman Dental Center Foundation Fund

To support and promote the School's mission—to improve oral health care through caring, discovery, teaching and learning—endowment resources of the Eastman Dental Center Foundation are made available to help fulfill the vision of the director. By providing resources to promote care for a diverse patient population, world renowned educational programs, and extensive basic, translational, and clinical research in oral health coupled with the recently funded NIH Clinical and Translational Science Award, the fund affords an outstanding opportunity to build on its position as a leading institution for the training of future leaders in academic dentistry and for developing translational research related to oral health.