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2022 Resident Interviews

UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER-EIOH

ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY POSTGRADUATE RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

The University of Rochester Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery postgraduate residency training program is located at the ambulatory care facility of Strong Memorial Hospital, the main teaching hospital of the University of Rochester.

Strong Memorial Hospital is the first hospital in the country to be affiliated with a medical school. In 1910, Abraham Flexner, under the auspices of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, published a report on medical schools that led to a major transformation in how medicine was taught across the country. UPMC and Strong Memorial Hospital were developed from the concept of establishing a medical school at a university that would utilize Flexner's revolutionary ideals in medical education.

The medical school opened its doors in 1925, and less than a year later, Strong Memorial Hospital followed suit. Strong Memorial Hospital, and the Eastman Institute for Oral Health, are the training sites for the OMFS residents.

Throughout its history, the OMFS program at UPMC has trained maxillofacial surgeons who have practiced the full scope of our specialty and have become leaders in our field. The focus of the program is to incorporate state of the art surgical training with an unparalleled education in patient evaluation and management.

The goal is to create a premier training program in the country.



University of Rochester-EIOH
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Residency Program
Data Sheet

48 month certificate OMS Residency Program
 72 month integrated OMFS/MD certification track
 EMBA along with the 48 mo. OMFS certificate
 MS along with the 48 mo. OMFS certificate.

Department Chair:	Antonia Kolokythas, DDS, MSc, MSed, FACS
OMFS Program Director:	John Vorrasi, DDS
Current Accreditation Status:	Fully Accredited
Last CODA Accreditation:	November, 9 th , 2016 – Next visit November 2022
Full-Time Faculty:	3 Board-Certified: 3
Part-Time Faculty:	5 Board-Certified: 5

Application Deadline:	September 15th (PASS)
Accredited Annual Openings:	2 residents (48 month program) 1 resident (72 month program)

Internship Positions:	1-4 one-year interns per year
Externships Available: (/COVID)	Yes for interested dental students, 1-4 wk (postponed)
Interview Required:	Yes
Duration of Interview:	1 day
Primary Program Sponsor:	University of Rochester-EIOH
Primary Hospital Affiliation:	Strong Memorial Hospital
OMS Department Structure:	Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Salary**2022-2023**

PGY1 \$61,407

PGY2 \$63,705

PGY3 \$67,242

PGY4 \$69,609

Tuition applied to 72 month integrated M.D. /OMFS certification track

BLS/ACLS/PALS/ATLS Certification: Yes

Rotations Abroad: Available

Research Activity: Required

Website: <https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/dentistry/education/surgery.aspx>

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Rochester is a mid-size city with a small-town feeling, making travel by car and/or public transportation quick and easy. Rochester's people and communities live up to their top rankings for friendliness, memorable gateways and family fun. The city boasts a wide variety of high-tech businesses, cultural offerings, professional sports and recreational activities. Home of Eastman Kodak, Bausch & Lomb, and most of Xerox's corporate and manufacturing facilities, Rochester is known for its highly educated and technologically savvy workforce. Rochester is also a gateway to New York State's Finger Lakes, a collection of beautiful lakes curved out of Central and Western New York's topography. The Finger Lakes are surrounded by scenic hills, gorges, award-winning wineries and bed and breakfasts. It's no wonder that the Rochester region was ranked by Money Magazine as one of the 10 "best places to vacation" and called a "serendipitous and surprising gateway" by USA Today. Rochester has more than 3,500 acres of nationally recognized parks where you can explore, play, rest or entertain. Some of these parks were designed by famed landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted, designer of New York's Central Park. More importantly Rochester is great place to live.



The **Erie Canal** is a [canal](#) in [New York](#) that is part of the east–west, cross-state route of the [New York State Canal System](#). Originally, it ran 363 miles (584 km) from [Albany](#), on the [Hudson River](#), to [Buffalo](#), at [Lake Erie](#). It was built to create a navigable water route from [New York City](#) and the [Atlantic Ocean](#) to the [Great Lakes](#). When completed in 1825, it was the second longest canal in the world (after the [Grand Canal](#) in China) and greatly affected the development and economy of New York, New York City, and the United States.^[2]

Its construction began in 1817. The canal has 35 numbered [locks](#),^[1] and an elevation differential of about 565 feet (172 m). It opened on October 26, 1825.^[3]

In a time when bulk goods were limited to [pack animals](#) (a 250 pounds (113 kg) maximum^[4]), and there were no railways, water was the most cost-effective way to ship bulk goods.

In 2000, the [United States Congress](#) designated the [Erie Canal way National Heritage Corridor](#)^[9] to recognize the national significance of the canal system as the most successful and influential human-built waterway and one of the most important works of [civil engineering](#) and construction in North America.^[9] Mainly used by recreational watercraft since the retirement of the last large commercial ship, the [Day Peckinpaugh](#) in 199



University of Rochester

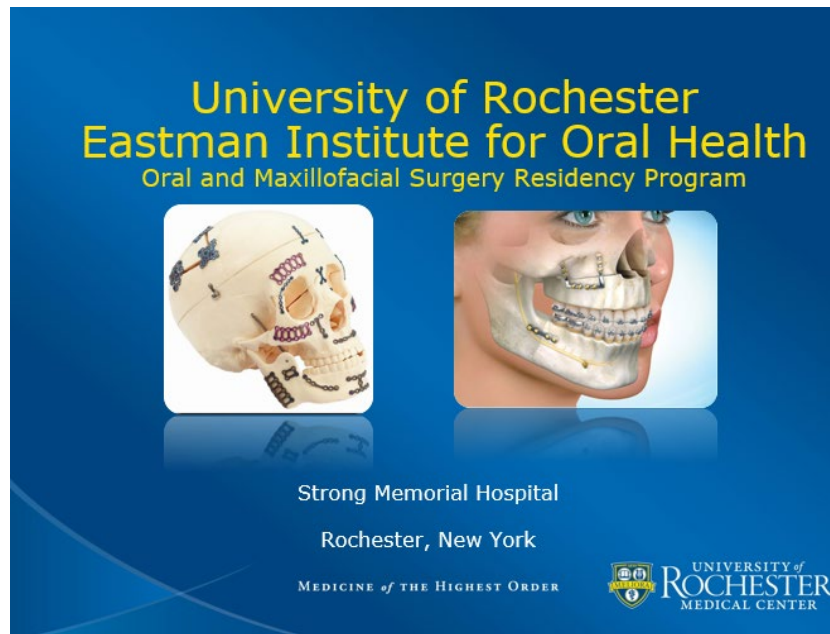
The University of Rochester is a private, nonsectarian, research university in Rochester, New York. The university grants undergraduate and graduate degrees, including doctoral and professional degrees. The university has six schools and various interdisciplinary programs.

The University of Rochester is particularly noted for its Eastman School of Music. The university is also home to the Institute of Optics, founded in 1929, the first educational program in the US devoted exclusively to optics. Rochester's Laboratory for Laser Energetics is home to the second most energetic fusion laser in the world.

In its history, five university alumni, two faculty, and one senior research associate at Strong Memorial Hospital have been awarded a Nobel Prize; eight alumni and four faculty members have won a Pulitzer Prize, and 19 faculty members have been awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship. Faculty and alumni of Rochester make up nearly one-quarter of the scientists on the board advising NASA in the development of the James Webb Space Telescope, which is scheduled to replace the Hubble Space Telescope in 2018. The departments of political science and economics have made a significant and consistent impact on positivist social science since the 1960s; the distinctive, mathematical approach pioneered at Rochester and closely affiliated departments is known as the Rochester school, and Rochester graduates and former affiliates are highly represented at faculties across top economics and political science departments.

The University of Rochester, across all of its schools and campuses, enrolls approximately 5,600 undergraduates and 4,600 graduate students. Its 158 buildings house over 200 academic majors. Additionally, Rochester (along with its affiliated Strong Health System) is the largest employer in the Greater Rochester area and the sixth largest employer in New York

University of Rochester-EIOH, Maxillofacial Surgery Program



- The Advanced Educational Program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Rochester-EIOH has a 48 month (4 year) certificate postdoctoral program and a 72 month (6 year) integrated M.D./OMFS certificate track, accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. The last site visit accreditation occurred in November, 9th 2016.
- A Master is Science is available and can be earned parallel to the residency training

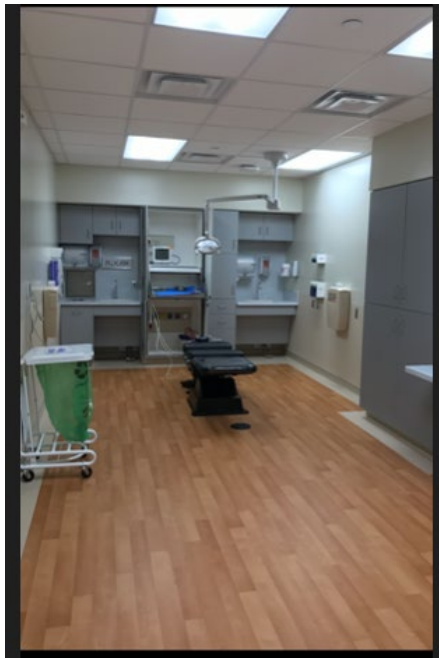
- 4 year Certificate OMFS program
- 6 year integrated M.D./Certificate OMFS program
- 4 year Certificate OMFS program-EMBA

The OMFS program at the University of Rochester is offering an Executive Master in Business Administration (EMBA) degree along with the OMFS Certificate program. The EMBA degree will be offered to one resident in the 48 month OMFS certificate program.

- The EMBA will be earned from the Simon School of Business at the University of Rochester
- The EMBA will be earned within 3 years, will not interfere with the duration, experience, nor responsibilities of trainees

The OMFS program at URM-C-EIOH has trained maxillofacial surgeons who practice the full scope of the specialty, serve their communities and have become leaders in our field. During their training, they become proficient in: performing complex dentoalveolar surgery, implant and pre-prosthetic surgery, corrective jaw surgery, TMJ surgery, management of benign pathologic conditions of the maxillofacial skeleton and maxillofacial trauma. Through interdepartmental collaborations with key surgical departments within URM-C, the OMFS residents are educated in managing patients with craniofacial deformities as well as facial esthetic needs. The focus of leadership is to incorporate state-of-the art surgical training with an unparalleled education in patient evaluation and management. **The goals and objectives of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Department are to provide quality Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery training and patient care. Resident education is a process of continual evaluation, development, and improvement, with increased levels of responsibility throughout the program.**

1) Strong didactic curriculum with scheduled conferences that include weekly Grand Rounds and Case Conference, monthly Journal Club and Morbidity Mortality Conference that aim to teach evidence-based surgery and medicine; 2) engagement in high quality research and enhancement of the scholarly activity for all residents and faculty by establishing key collaborations within the institution as well as outside; 3) the advancement of the specialty by contributing to high quality publications in peer reviewed journals; 4) expanding current residency training by incorporating management of maxillofacial oncology patients, for both ablative and reconstructive needs, as well as incorporating the latest technological advances available to the specialty.





The mission of the University of Rochester OMFS program is to:

- **Heal:** Provide Excellent Patient Care
- **Teach and Learn:** Provide Excellent Training in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery; Learn Through Collaboration
- **Discover:** Engage in Meaningful-High Quality Research
- **Create:** A Premier Program in the Country both academically and clinically

The goals of the program are:

- Put the patients' needs and care first
- Teach evidence based OMFS and “cutting edge” surgical techniques to our trainees
- Create an atmosphere of continual learning and progressive development of judgment
- Contribute to the advancement of the specialty

Didactic and Clinical Experience in OMS:

The Strong Memorial Hospital, the Highland Hospital, the Rochester General Hospital and the Eastman Institute of Oral Health are the various sites employed for surgical and clinical experience. Thirty-four (34) months are devoted to clinical oral and maxillofacial surgery. There is a comprehensive didactic curriculum consisting of weekly seminars, clinical pathologic conferences, morbidity and mortality reviews, case reviews, oral pathology seminars, surgical-orthodontic conferences, journal club, and multi-disciplinary conferences in trauma, craniofacial and head and neck tumor cancer.

Research and Scholarly Activity:

During training, each resident is expected to prepare and submit at least one manuscript to a peer-reviewed journal for consideration for publication. This work may be the result of laboratory or clinical research, and each resident is encouraged to formulate and implement an original project very early in their training, ideally during the first year. However, significant involvement in established faculty research can satisfy this requirement. At the very minimum, an abstract must be submitted to the AAOMS annual meeting for presentation by every resident in their senior year. In addition, local and regional meeting presentations are encouraged and supported.

Distribution of Major Surgical Procedures (2020-2021):

Orthognathic surgery 20%
Pathology 20%
Reconstruction 10%
Aesthetic 5%
Trauma 20%
Dentoalveolar surgery 25%

Resident Responsibilities:

The **first year** resident completes a 12-month rotation in Internal Medicine and spends the rest of the year on the oral and maxillofacial surgery service at Strong Memorial Hospital. The resident rotates with the Internal Medicine service for 2 months at Strong Memorial Hospital and works closely with the senior residents, providing both inpatient and outpatient care. The resident has primary responsibility for examining, diagnosing and treating patients in the outpatient clinic and the ED. The resident also assumes responsibility for inpatients under the supervision of the chief resident.

The **second year** resident functions as an intern in General Surgery for six months, two of which are designated to Trauma Service. In addition the resident rotates through the anesthesia service for 5 months, one of which is through pediatrics and one month in the OMS clinic

The **third year** resident spends their time functioning as senior resident at Strong Memorial Hospital. The resident spends two weeks with the Craniofacial Surgery Team and additional 2 weeks with the Oculoplastics Service. During the third year of training, additional elective rotations exist nationally and internationally as well protected research time is available for completion of a research project and manuscript preparation. 1 month ENT/Plastics.

The **fourth year** resident spends their time functioning as a Chief OMS resident assuming the responsibility for the overall function of the oral and maxillofacial service. The resident is expected to be the primary operating surgeon on all major cases. The 4th year OMFS residents spend their time entirely at Strong Memorial Hospital.

- Outcomes assessment/board certification: Residents take the yearly OMSITE examination of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. The OMFS program at the University of Rochester is designed to meet the educational requirements of the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association and to prepare the resident to complete the board certification process of the ABOMS.
- University of Rochester OMFS residents completing the program have passed the ABOMS exam at a rate comparable to the national average. Success on the ABOMS examination is a function of training, experience and, most importantly, individual preparation. However, this is only one measure of the quality of an oral and maxillofacial surgery residency program.

Salary and Benefits:

During the four years the residents are paid a residents salary and are provided with University paid health care benefits. In addition to standard house officer benefits, the Department of OMS provides support for travel and presentation of scientific papers at various meetings in the United States and attendance of education review courses.

Board Certification:

Residents take the yearly OMSITE examination of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. The University of Rochester Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery program is designed to meet the educational requirements of the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association and to prepare the resident to sit for, and pass, the certification examination of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Success on the ABOMS examination is a function of training, experience and, most importantly, individual preparation.

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John Vorrasi, D.D.S. OMFS Program Director

Full Time Faculty

Antonia Kolokythas, DDS, MSc, MSed, FACS	- Department Chair
John Vorrasi, DDS	- Program Director
Pooja Gangwani, D.D.S., M.P.H.	-Assistant Program Director

Part-Time Faculty

David Anderson, D.D.S., M.D.
Richard Edwards, DDS
Joseph Fantuzzo, D.D.S., M.D., FACS
Nicholas Schellati, D.D.S., M.D.
Marc Rosenthal, DDS

Adjunct Faculty

Clinton Morrison, M.D., FACS, Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
Mithra Gonzales, M.D., FACS, Department of Ophthalmology-Oculoplastic Surgery
Oded Nahlieli, DMD. Director of OMFS Barzilai Medical Center in Ashkelon
Michelle Pashley, DDS, Clinical Assistant Professor University Illinois at Chicago

2022-2023 OMFS Residents

4th Year

Moo Hyun Kim, DDS., Graduate of University of Michigan
Navraj Sandhu, DMD. Graduate of University of British Columbia

3rd Year

Kyle Mecca, DMD, Graduate of LECOM. School of Dental Medicine (Enrolled in EMBA)
Molly Christie, DDS, Graduate of University of Buffalo

2nd Year

Yulia Tonakanyan, DDS., Graduate of IM Sechenov First Moscow State Medical University
Zachary Zeiler, DMD. Graduate of British Columbia (Enrolled in MS)

1st Year

Joshua Dobbins, DMD. Graduate of Tufts
Quyen (Cynthia) Tran, DDS. Graduate of NYU

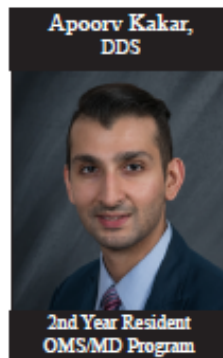
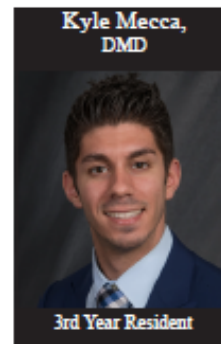
6 year Track

Apoorv Kakar, DDS, Graduate of SUNY Stony Brook (2nd year)
George Lin, DDS, Graduate of Columbia (1st year)

Interns

Omar Alzein, DDS. Graduate of University of Minnesota
Keelan O'Malley, DMD. Graduate of McGill
Jennifer Rosenbaum, DMD. Graduate of Rutgers.
Aaron Sulaeman, DDS. Graduate of the University of the Pacific.

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residents/Interns 2022-2023



OMFS Administrative/ Clinical Staff

OMFS Residency Coordinator:

Ms. Lisa J. Lord

Sr. Administrator

Mr. Robert White

Surgical Coordinators:

Ms. Judith Patterson

Ms. Sejal Patel

Referral Coordinator:

Ms. Frances Simms

Ms. Kristina Harding

Radiation Technologist

Ms. Michelle Houser

Nursing Staff:

Ms. Kelsey Barbero RN Manager

5 RN's

Surgical Technologists:

5 Surgical Techs

Lead Outpatient Associate Staff

Rebecca Kruger

5 OAS staff

About the University of Rochester OMS Program

Introduction

The University of Rochester and Eastman Institute of Oral Health are committed to education, research, and patient care. The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery residency training program is one of the accredited postgraduate education programs by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.

The goals and objectives of the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery are to provide quality Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery training and patient care. Resident education is a process of continual evaluation, development, and improvement, with increased levels of responsibility throughout the program.

University of Rochester -Affiliated Sites

The Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery program at the University of Rochester provides each resident a variety of experiences in each of its affiliated sites, including:

- Strong Memorial Hospital
- Golisano Children's Hospital
- Wilmot Cancer Center
- Eastman Institute for Oral Health
- Saw Grass Ambulatory Center
- Strong Memorial Hospital Ambulatory Center

The residents rotate to broaden their exposure to the full scope of oral and maxillofacial surgery and to augment their experiences with a diverse faculty at each site.

Strong Memorial Hospital is an exemplary teaching hospital with advanced scientific proficiencies, robust patient care services, and formidable community relations. It is 739 -bed tertiary and quaternary care facility, which serves as the primary teaching hospital for the University of Rochester College of Medicine and Dentistry. Established in 1926 Strong Memorial Hospital, in addition to offering traditional and established medical care services, Strong is distinguished with its tertiary and quaternary services. This means Strong has the personnel and facilities to provide advanced medical inquiry and treatments that are not widely accessible in this region. A few of Strong's many highly specialized services include: Organ Transplant, Trauma and Burn Care, Neonatal, Intensive Care Unit, Comprehensive Neuromedicine, Complex Cardiology, Cancer Services. UR Medicine's Strong Memorial Hospital was named a 2015/2016 Consumer Choice Award winner by National Research Corporation. The annual award identifies the top hospitals across the United States that health care consumers have chosen as having the highest quality and image. This is the 20th consecutive year that Strong has been named Rochester's most preferred hospital.

Eastman Institute for Oral Health at the University of Rochester is unique among academic health centers in the United States: despite the absence of an undergraduate dental school, EIOH have internationally recognized dental residency programs, vibrant oral biology research that is in the top tier of NIH rankings, and robust clinical services in all dental specialties with a strong community orientation. Serving the community has always been an integral part of the institution's long, rich history. In 1915, George Eastman knew the vital importance of good oral health, educating dental providers and the necessity of ongoing research. That's why he established what today the Eastman Institute of Oral Health. Endowment resources of the Eastman Dental Foundation, 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, affords an outstanding opportunity for URMC Dentistry 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. Furthermore, this can be done while ensuring that George Eastman's original intent in establishing the Eastman Dental Center – that of serving the community – is preserved.

Golisano Children's Hospital is an eight story, 248,000 square foot building next to Strong with 52 private rooms for the sick children and their families and 68 NICU beds. The building was designed in its entirety with the input of the parents of the children treated at Strong. Golisano Children's Hospital has earned a place among the nation's best hospitals in two pediatric specialty areas – nephrology and endocrine/diabetes – in U.S. News & World

Report's Best Children's Hospital rankings. Golisano Children's Hospital employs more than 200 pediatric specialists and provides a spectrum of care that spans more than 40 specialty areas, serving the more than 85,000 children and their families each year. It serves as the referral center for all seriously ill or injured children from the 17-county Finger Lakes region and beyond. Our missions are to provide comprehensive care for children and their families, educate future pediatricians and pediatric specialists, and perform progressive research that will lead to the medical breakthroughs of tomorrow.

The **James P. Wilmot Cancer Center** is the first multidisciplinary academic cancer center in the Rochester community. Affiliated with the University of Rochester Medical Center, the Wilmot Cancer Center consolidates all outpatient cancer care services and research programs into a single, accessible location. The state-of-the-art facility also includes: 164,000 square feet of clinical and research space housing the latest in technologies and therapies for most types of cancers-Nationally known cancer care specialists who work together using a multidisciplinary approach (medical oncology, radiation/oncology, surgery, etc.) -Dedicated oncology nurses, technicians, therapists and other support staff -Quick access to the latest in clinical trials, many of which originated at the Wilmot Cancer Center -Onsite radiology and pathology for fast and accurate diagnostics - A Greater level of patient privacy and comfort during treatment- Specialized support services including social workers, nutritionists, financial counselors, support groups, and educational recourses

Cancers Treated at the Wilmot Cancer Center include: Bone Cancer, Brain and Spinal Tumors, Breast Cancer, Esophageal Cancer, Gastrointestinal and Colorectal Cancer, Genito-Urinary and Prostate Cancer, Head and Neck Cancer, Leukemia and Hematologic Malignancies, Lung Cancer, Lymphoma. James P. Wilmot was a prominent Rochester businessman and philanthropist who originally created the foundation of the center in 1980 to train physicians in cancer research and treatment.

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Rotation Schedule by PGY Level of Training

48 month program

PGY 1 Level	
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	10 months
Internal Medicine	2 months 2 months
PGY 2 Level	
OMFS	1 month
General Surgery	4 months
Trauma	2 months
Anesthesia	5 months
PGY 3 Level	
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	10 months
Elective: Oculoplastics Plastics-Craniofacial Research	1-2 months
PGY 4 Level	
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	12 months

Courses, Conferences, and Seminars

A balance of clinical and didactic exposure is of paramount importance in achieving a well-rounded training program. There are multiple opportunities outside of daily patient care for residents to improve their grasp of basic sciences as well as specialized topics relevant to their education. This is partial listing of conferences and lectures:

Physical Diagnosis

Pharmacology

Pain and Anxiety course

Advanced Craniofacial Anatomy

Grand Rounds

Craniofacial Deformities Conference

Journal Club

Clinical Pathology Conference

Morbidity and Mortality Conference

Trauma Conference

Head and Neck Tumor Board

University of Rochester Libraries

With combined holdings of more than 3.5 million volumes and extensive collections of online databases, electronic journals, rare books, and musical scores, Rochester's libraries rank among the top academic research libraries in the United States and Canada. The main libraries are: River Campus Libraries; Sibley Music Library Eastman School of Music; Miner Library; University of Rochester Medical Center; Allen Library; Memorial Art Gallery

Benefits

The University of Rochester provides house staff officers with a comprehensive benefits package including fully paid health insurance for the resident and his/her dependents, dental insurance, life insurance, long term disability insurance, professional and liability insurance, and a maximum of 4 individual weeks' vacation, or less, per year.

Housing

The University of Rochester's Office for Residential Life maintains six house apartment complexes that serve graduate students, medical students, and postgraduate trainees, including residents and fellows of the School of Medicine and Dentistry. Their most attractive features are convenient locations and reasonable rents. Each of these complexes has close-by off-street parking, coin-operated laundry facilities, and University bus service. People with children will find safe playgrounds at University Park and Whipple Park. These two complexes, as well as the Graduate Living Center Maisonettes, have broad lawn areas nearby for ball playing and other activities. On the other hand, Goler House (a high-rise apartment building) and University Towne House (a low-rise, corridor-style building) provide a more urban atmosphere, and they are closer to stores, restaurants, and public transportation.

The University also maintains an Off-Campus Housing Database. It includes available properties, contact information for local real estate agents, and other pertinent information.

You must register, create an online account, and log in to gain access to the database. Off Campus Housing. For its part, the Graduate Medical Education Office keeps a regularly updated list of Trainee Homes for Sale.

This list has been very useful to incoming trainees looking for a reliable place to live, as well as to residents and fellows who have completed their programs and are leaving the area

Transportation-Parking

The Department of Transportation and Parking Management's Mission is to "Move People to Their Learning, Discovering, Healing, and Creating Destinations". In meeting this mission, they strive to provide you safe and professional services, whether for parking your car, riding one of our shuttles, or discovering the variety of alternative transportation programs that we provide. For those that use parking facilities, they can take advantage of new parking technologies that allows for purchasing parking permit on line or get real-time information on parking space availability by lot.

They offer motorist assistance to customers that are stranded – charge a dead battery, inflate a flat tire, or de-ice a door lock.

The University operated shuttles provide hours of transit service that is a safe and convenient change to driving yourself. Students can take any of the shuttle routes to class, to residence halls, and to the Rochester community.

Employees too can take advantage of the shuttle services to remote parking, after-hours parking lots, and to off-site offices and clinics. The service, operated by First Transit, is free with your University ID.

About Dr. Antonia Kolokythas



Dr. Kolokythas joined the University of Rochester and EIOH from the University of Illinois at Chicago's College of Dentistry, where she has worked since 2009, most recently as an associate professor, and director of research in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, and Ambulatory Director AC-4 Dental Services.

After earning her dental degree at the University of Thessaloniki in her native Greece, she earned a certificate in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Illinois at Chicago, followed by two Fellowships in Maxillofacial Oncology at the University of Maryland at Baltimore and the University of California at San Francisco. Additionally, she earned her U.S. dental degree and a master of science in Oral Science from the University of Illinois at Chicago. She has published extensively in peer-reviewed journals, and has presented around the world, primarily in the various aspects of oral cancer.

She is active in regional and national professional organizations, and serves as editor for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinics of North America; and Pediatric Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. She also serves on the editorial boards of the Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Research and the Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Cases. Dr. Kolokythas earned the 2014 Faculty Research Award and the DuBrul Faculty Achievement Award at the University of Illinois at Chicago's College of Dentistry, and was named one of the Top 25 Women in Dentistry in Dental Products Report.

She also earned the Faculty Education Development Award (FEDA) from the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Foundation. She was appointed Department Chair and Program Director of the University of Rochester-EIOH Advanced Education OMFS Residency Training Program October 2015. She was inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons in October of 2016.

About Dr. John Vorrasi



Dr. John Vorrasi joins the University of Rochester Faculty Practice as a native Rochesterian growing up in Brighton and graduating in 2000. His undergrad education was completed at Tufts University where he was Cum Laude in Chemical Engineering and dental school at SUNY Buffalo in 2008 where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. Dr. Vorrasi traveled to University of Maryland Medical center to complete his certificate in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery in 2013 focusing on orthognathic surgery or corrective jaw surgery for facial deformities and temporomandibular joint (TMJ) surgery.

Dr. Vorrasi has been on staff at Christiana Care Health System, in Delaware, as Program Director for the OMS residency program as well as associate director of research and simulation training. His interests include orthognathic surgery, TMJ surgery and reconstruction, dental implants, dentoalveolar surgery, facial reconstruction, and trauma. He has numerous publications including Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, OMS Knowledge Update- Orthognathic Surgery, and 2015 edition of Atlas of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. He is co-recipient of Geistlich Osteoscience Research grant for tissue engineering in collaboration with the University of Delaware and 2014 recipient of Christiana Care's "Rising Star" faculty award. John has traveled to San Pedro Sula, Honduras with the "New Faces for Honduras" mission trip performing full scope head and neck surgery.

Dr. Vorrasi is the Program Director at the University of Rochester, a diplomat of the American Board of OMS, fellow of the American Association of OMS, member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU) dental honor society, and recently inducted into the American Society of TMJ Surgeons.

About Dr. Pooja Gangwani



Pooja Gangwani, D.D.S, M.P.H.

Assistant Professor

[Dr. Pooja Gangwani](#) is an Assistant Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry/Eastman Institute for Oral Health. Dr. Gangwani earned her Dental Degree from New York University College of Dentistry where she was inducted in the Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU) dental honor society.

She completed an Internship in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. She received her Advanced Training in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at St. Joseph's University Medical Center.

She performs wisdom teeth extraction, bone grafting procedures, dental implant reconstruction, corrective jaw surgery and reconstructive surgery after facial trauma. Dr. Gangwani spends a great deal of time educating her patients and providing treatment options, thus helping them make informed decisions about their own health. She is passionate about delivering personalized patient care before, during and after surgery.

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