

## **Clinical Preceptorship in ORTHODONTICS**

### **An Eleven-Month Clinical Continuing Education Program**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The Rutgers School of Dental Medicine, Department of Orthodontics' Clinical Preceptorship 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 Clinical Preceptorship 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 is allowed one day a week out of clinic to pursue research and/or other academic endeavors starting in the fall.
- Participants is 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.
- Admission interview.
- See also *Admission Requirements* on page 3.
- 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. (*This can be paid online, see website for link.*)
- Submission of a completed application form, including:
  - Documentation of your Objectives and Goals (see page 3 of the application form).
  - Curriculum Vitae, attach or insert a small photo to first page.
  - Verified copies from your dental school of your Transcript and Dental School Diploma.
  - Applicants with foreign degrees will be considered based upon an evaluation of their academic credentials. Submit an original Evaluation Report from one of the following: Educational Credential Evaluators (ECE - preferred) –or- World Education Services (WES). *We recommend you request a report showing a breakdown by courses.*
  - 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.
  - Two to three original Letters of Recommendation (see page 5 of application form).
  - Graduate Record Examination (GRE) and National Board scores are not required, but can 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.

Further Requirements upon receiving Pre-Acceptance into the program:

The applicant must complete the following:

- Pay a non-refundable deposit within 10 business days of pre-acceptance notification. The formal acceptance letter is sent after the deposit is received. *See "Tuition" on next page for more details.*
- Submit Health and Immunization Forms per University policy ("Student Immunization and Health Requirements.") Instructions and the required form are sent with the formal acceptance letter.
- Submit proof of Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) certification for BLS that will be valid for duration of program.
- Be cleared by a Background Check; an additional fee is required for this.
- Provide proof of Health Insurance from a U.S. based company. Insurance must remain active for full duration of the program.
- Licensed U.S. Dentists provide proof of Liability Insurance.

Due to time constraints, all correspondence from us is by email.

If you need to contact us, please use our email address: [cde@sdm.rutgers.edu](mailto:cde@sdm.rutgers.edu).

**TUITION** (for the current Academic Year)

Tuition for this **Clinical Preceptorship** 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 and must be received within 10 business days of the pre-acceptance notification. *The formal acceptance package will be sent after receipt of the deposit.* The balance of the full tuition (\$41,500) is due one month prior to the start date 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 Clinical Preceptorship 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 Fogarty  
110 Bergen Street, B701  
Newark, NJ 07103

**Email:** [cde@sdm.rutgers.edu](mailto:cde@sdm.rutgers.edu)

**Website:** <https://cde.sdm.rutgers.edu/clinical-preceptorship-programs/>  
(Link to the **Application Form** can be found on this webpage)