University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry
Award Winners

Distinguished Dental Alumnus
The highest honor which can be bestowed on an alumnus. The following criteria should be considered for selection of a candidate:

1. Must be an alumnus of the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry of at least five years. Alumni with DDS, DMD, or postgraduate certificates or degrees may be considered.
2. Authorship of either textbooks or articles.
3. Lecturer.
4. Distinguished service in military or government service.
5. Prestigious office in a dental school; educator.
6. Innovator in the dental field; new dental techniques, principles, equipment, or dental products.
7. Leadership roles and accomplishments in organized dentistry.
8. Alumnus who has brought honor to the University and College of Dentistry through important contributions to dentistry or in other endeavors.

1960 Joseph L. Bernier
1961 Edward J. Ryan
1962 Maynard K. Hine
1963 John B. LaDue
1964 Edward C. Wach
1965 Robert G. Kesel
1966 W. Howard Kubacki
1967 Thaddeus V. Weclew
1968 Harold J. Noyes
1969 Albert Knab
1970 Maury Massler
1971 John M. Spence
1972 Arthur J. Skupa/James Mershimer
1973 Seymour H. Yale
1974 Donald L. McElroy
1975 David Mitchell/Joseph Zielinski
1976 Robert A. Atterbury
1977 Thomas K. Barber
1978 Bennett Klavan
1979 George Matula
1980 (none given)
1981 David Shapiro
1982 Grant Maclean
1983 Robert Underwood
1984 Erwin Barrington
1985  Victor T. Weclew
1986  Robert Kimbrough
1987  Donald Rice/Deane Doolen Sr.
1988  Earl Renfroe
1989  Leonard Giannone
1990  Jerry Goode
1991  Myron Winer
1992  Marvin B. Weiss
1993  Marvin H. Berman
1994  Robert M. Ricketts/Bernard G. Sarnat
1995  John V. Borden
1996  Charles Greene
1997  Dushanka V. Kleinman
1998  Allen W. Anderson
1999  Milton B. Engel
2000  Charles S. Gross
2001  Robert P. Scapino
2002  Daniel M. Laskin
2003  Barry K. Freydberg
2004  David E. Miller
2005  Franklin S. Weine
2006  Amarjit S. Marwah
2007  Clarence Towns Jr.
2008  Dale C. Nickelsen
2009  D. Milton Salzer
2010  George J. Kottemann
2011  Samuel S. Wexler
2012  Richard P. Perry
2013  James L. Koelbl
2014  Frank W. Licari
2015  Nijole A. Remeikis
2016  Samson Sol Flores
2017  Keith Alley
2018  K. William “Buddy” Mopper

Dr. E. Lloyd Du Brul Faculty Achievement Award

Presented to an outstanding faculty member.

1969  Gordon Stastny
1970  Jerry Balaty
1971  Earl W. Renfroe
1972  Walter A. Sperry
1973  Eugene C. Lekan
1974  Allen W. Anderson
1975  William Kort
1976  Robert B. Underwood
1977  Donald W. Rice
1978  Erwin Barrington
1979  Charles Berg
1980  Charles Heck
1981  Robert Bryant
1982  Robert Lee
1983  Dale Eisenmann
1984  Zigmund Porter
1985  (none given)
1986  James Buckman
1987  Vincent L. Fiocca
1988  Harold Rabin
1989  Robert Scapino
1990  (none given)
1991  Tom Lakars
1992  Robert Zelikow
1993  Olga Horwitz-Whitehill
1994  Hossein Araghi-Mohammadi
1995  Stanley J. Gerson
1996  Richard P. Perry
1997  William F. Stroner
1998  Nijoie A. Remeikis
1999  Charles R. Luptak
2000  Clarke Johnson
2001  Lina K. Tharp
2002  Abd El-Moneim Zaki
2003  Alexander H. Chan
2004  Marsha A. Babka
2005  James H. Bryniarski
2006  Jon C. Daniel
2007  Larry B. Salzmann
2008  Seema Ashrafi
2009  Gary L. Drahos
2010  Rand F. Harlow
2011  Kenneth W. Gehrke
2012  Christopher S. Wenckus
2013  Antonia Kolokythas
2014  Susan A. Rowan
2015  Terry A. Parsons
2016  Michael L. Santucci
2017  Mark C. Baker
2018  Michael A. Dunlap
General University of Illinois Alumni Loyalty Award
Given to an outstanding dental alumnus who has maintained extraordinary interest in and loyalty to the University, i.e., serving on University and alumni committees, councils, boards, etc.; an active member of the association.

1960  Edward C. Wach/Alvin J. Sells
1961  John M. Spence/Fred Bazola
1962  Arthur J. Skupa/James D. Mershimer
1963  Eli Olech/Robert I. Humphrey
1964  Peter Wlodkowsk/George Kolar
1965  Robert Underwood/James F. Plants
1966  Charles G. Maurice/Robert D. Stitzel
1967  Robert R. Atterbury/Herbert Heaton
1968  Samson Sol Flores/Silas P. Jones
1969  Alfred Macaluso/Joseph Scutter
1970  Curt Joseph Gronner/George Matula
1971  Lewis L. Weil/Arthur L. Marc
1972  Milo B. Hattenhauer/Grant A. Maclean
1973  Robert F. Endicott/Joseph Zielinski
1974  Isidore M. Demovsky/Lester Kaplin
1975  James Lynch/Louis Stessl
1976  Ridney Sippy/R.V. Weclew
1977  F. William Towner
1978  Gloria Alessio/Santina Litturi
1979  Joseph Kolodziejczyk
1980  William Kort
1981  Kenje Ogata
1982  Leonard Giannone
1983  Ned Ring
1984  Dale Lipe
1985  Carl Muller
1986  E. Orval DeWeerth
1987  Donald A. Krzyzak
1988  Seymour Yale
1989  Irwin Robinson
1990  David Lichtenwalter
1991  David Kumamoto
1992  (None given)
1993  Robert J. Ficek
1994  Myron Winer
1995  Samuel S. Wexler
1996  Terry A. Sellke/George Kottemann
1997  Thomas C. Lakars
1998  Donald W. Rice
1999  Dale R. Eisenmann
2000  Zane Muhl/Robert McGonagle
2001  Daniel N. Uditsky
2002  Thomas J. King Jr.
2003  Richard P. Perry
2004  Ben B. Block/Bertram B. Fivelson
2005  Cissy K. Furusho
2006  Andrew J. Haas
2007  Frederick M. Stroner
2008  Jin-Moon Soh
2009  Kevin Van Kanegan
2010  Donald F. Doyle
2011  Robert B. Hurdle
2012  Eliot Becker
2013  Michael S. Higgins
2014  Alexander H. Chan
2015  Neal C. Nealis
2016  (Discontinued)

Dr. F. William Towner Organized Dentistry Activity Award

For significant and meritorious activity in organized dentistry reflecting Dr. Towner's commitment to organized dentistry and thereby strengthening the influence and renown of the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry.

1997  Richard P. Perry
1998  David P. Kumamoto
1999  D. Milton Salzer
2000  Trucia Drummond
2001  Erwin P. Barrington
2002  Paul Landman
2003  Cissy K. Furusho
2004  Hannelore T. Loeyv
2005  Peter A. Paesani
2006  Michael J. Stablein
2007  James H. Bryniarski
2008  H. Todd Cubbon/Ronald G. Testa
2009  Cheryl Watson-Lowry/George R. Zehak
2010  Susan Becker Doroshow
2011  Frank A. Maggio
2012  Richard S. Holba
2013  James W. Buckman
2014  Thomas C. Lakars
2015  Timothy J. Schwartz
2016    David S. Evaskus
2017    Denise D. Hale
2018    Gary R. Herberger

**Dr. Raffaele Suriano Award**

*For important contributions to dentistry in the Chicago area on the part of a faculty member or alumnus of a Chicago area dental school or friend of dentistry, reflecting the contributions of Dr. Raffaele Suriano, former dean of the Loyola School of Dentistry.*

2007  Raffaele Suriano
2008  Joseph Gowgiel
2009  Walter E. Lamacki
2010  Thomas E. Emmering
2011  Samuel J. Cascio/Joseph V. Discipio
2012  Charles F. DiFranco
2013  Mary A. Starsiak
2014  Michael J. Biasiello
2015  Louis A. Imburgia
2016  Phillip J. Fijal
2017  Terri S. Tiersky
2018  Joseph G. Unger

**C.A.R.E. (Connecting Alumni to Reignite and Engage) Alumnus/Alumna of the Year**

The **C.A.R.E. (Connecting Alumni to Reignite and Engage) Alumnus/Alumna of the Year** Award (formerly called the Young Alumnus/Alumna Award) is presented on an annual basis. Each year, the award is conferred to an alumnus or alumna of the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry who graduated no more than ten years previously from the College’s DDS/DMD or postgraduate programs.

The following criteria may be considered for selection of a candidate:

1. Humanitarian and philanthropic efforts.
2. Leadership roles and accomplishments in organized dentistry.
3. Accomplishments in research; education; article and/or textbook writing; military, government, promotion of access to care or alleviating disparity of care, or other public service; and/or innovations in dental techniques, equipment, or dental products.
4. Accomplishments that have brought honor and/or have been of benefit to the University and College of Dentistry.

The award recipient will be chosen by the UIC Dental Alumni Association Board of Directors after the candidate or candidates’ names are presented to the Board by its Nominations Committee. Anyone may nominate a candidate by presenting the candidate’s name to the Board or its Nominations Committee.

2014  Brian C. Homann
2015  Courtney Rubin Levine
2016 None presented
2017 None presented
2018 Roshan Parikh
2019 Lyndsey Briney

**UIC Dental Alumni Association Board of Directors Officers**

Retiring Presidents receive the Dr. Irwin B. Robinson President’s Leadership Award. The award is named for the late Dr. Irwin B. Robinson, ’45, OMFS ’54, the longest-serving member of the UIC Dental Alumni Board of Directors in its history. Dr. Robinson also served in all of the board’s executive positions, including President.

1957-58 Robert A. Atterbury, President; Grant McLean, President-Elect; H. Vance Phillips, Secretary; Irwin B. Robinson, Treasurer
1958-59 Grant McLean, President; H. Vance Phillips, President-Elect; Irwin B. Robinson, Secretary; Charles G. Maurice, Treasurer
1959-60 H. Vance Phillips, President; Irwin B. Robinson, President-Elect; Charles G. Maurice, Secretary; Robert D. Stitzel, Treasurer
1960-61 Irwin B. Robinson, President; Charles G. Maurice, President-Elect; Robert D. Stitzel, Secretary
1961-62 Charles G. Maurice, President; Robert D. Stitzel, President-Elect; William C. Tinervin, Vice President; Herbert Heaton, Secretary; David E. Grauer, Treasurer
1962-63 Robert D. Stitzel, President; Herbert Heaton, President-Elect; Everett Walters, Vice President; David E. Grauer, Secretary; Jerry Balaty, Treasurer
1963-64 Herbert Heaton, President
1968-69 Ted V. Weclew, President; Lewis L. Weil, President-Elect; S. Sol Flores, Vice President; Robert F. Endicott, Secretary; Louis A. Stessl, Treasurer
1969-70 Louis L. Weil, President; S. Sol Flores, President-Elect; Robert F. Endicott, Vice President; Louis A. Stessl, Secretary; Robert A. Savage, Treasurer
1970-71 S. Sol Flores, President; Robert F. Endicott, President-Elect; Louis A. Stessl, Vice President; Robert G. Savage, Secretary; Neil Shulkin, Treasurer
1971-72 Robert F. Endicott, President; Louis A. Stessl, President-Elect; Robert G. Savage, Vice President; Neil Shulkin, Secretary; Rodney E. Sippy, Treasurer
1972-73 Louis A. Stessl, President; Neil Shulkin, President-Elect; Rodney E. Sippy, Vice President; F. William Towner, Secretary; Walter A. Sperry, Treasurer
1973-74 Neil Shulkin, President; Rodney E. Sippy, President-Elect; F. William Towner, Vice President; Walter A. Sperry, Secretary; Felice M. Ieronimo, Treasurer
1974-75 Rodney E. Sippy, President; F. William Towner, President-Elect; Walter A. Sperry, Vice President; Felice M. Ieronimo, Secretary; William Kort, Treasurer
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1976-77 Walter A. Sperry, President; Felice Ieronimo, President-Elect; William Kort, Vice President; Kenje Ogata, Secretary; Leonardo Giannone, Treasurer; F. William Towner, Immediate Past-President
1977-78 Felice M. Ieronimo, President; William Kort, President-Elect; Kenje Ogata, Vice President; Leonardo Giannone, Secretary; Santina Litturi, Treasurer; Walter A. Sperry,
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1980-81 Leonard Giannone, President; Santina Litturi, President-Elect; Dale Lipe, Secretary; Carl Muller, Treasurer; Kenje Ogata, Immediate Past-President
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1983-84 Carl Muller, President; Orval DeWeerth, President-Elect; Donald Krzyzak, Vice President; Curtiss Floyd, Secretary; Marin Kolinski, Treasurer
1984-85 Orval DeWeerth, President; Donald Krzyzak, President-Elect; Curtiss Floyd, Vice President; Martin Kolinski, Secretary; David Lichtenwalter, Treasurer
1985-86 Donald Krzyzak, President; Curtiss Floyd, President-Elect; Martin Kolinski, Vice President; David Lichtenwalter, Secretary; Myron Winer, Treasurer
1986-87 Curtiss Floyd, President; Martin Kolinski, President-Elect; David Lichtenwalter, Vice President; Myron Winer, Secretary; Arthur Reynolds, Treasurer; Donald Krzyzak, Immediate Past President
1987-88 Martin Kolinski, President; David Lichtenwalter, President-Elect; Myron Winer, Vice President; Arthur Reynolds, Secretary; Kenneth Rottmann, Treasurer; Curtiss Floyd, Immediate Past President
1988-89 David Lichtenwalter, President; Myron Winer, President-Elect; Kenneth Rottman, Vice President; Joseph Morganelli, Secretary; Robert Ficek, Treasurer; Martin Kolinski, Immediate Past President
1989-90 Myron Winer, President; Kenneth Rottman, President-Elect; Joseph Morganelli, Vice President; Robert Ficek, Secretary; Deane Doolen Jr., Treasurer; David Lichtenwalter, Immediate Past President
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1991-92 Robert Ficek, President; Deane E. Doolen Jr., President-Elect; Helen McShan, Vice President; David Kumamoto, Secretary; Karen O’Donnell, Treasurer; Kenneth Rottman, Immediate Past President
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1994-95 Helen McShan, President; David Kumamoto, President-Elect; Karen O’Donnell,
Vice President; Ronald Waryjas, Secretary; Daniel Uditsky, Treasurer; Deane Doolen, Immediate Past President
1995-96  Karen O’Donnell, President; Ronald Waryjas, President-Elect; Daniel N. Uditsky, Secretary; Samuel S. Wexler, Treasurer; Helen McShan, Immediate Past-President
1996-97  Ronald Waryjas, President; Daniel N. Uditsky, Vice President; Samuel S. Wexler, Secretary-Treasurer; Karen O’Donnell, Immediate Past-President
1997-98, 1998-99 Daniel N. Uditsky, President; Samuel S. Wexler, Vice President; Todd A. Molis, Secretary-Treasurer; Ronald Waryjas, Immediate Past-President
1999-2000 Daniel N. Uditsky, President; Samuel S. Wexler, Vice President; John Szydelko, Secretary Treasurer; Ronald Waryjas, Immediate Past-President
2000-01  Samuel S. Wexler, President; John Szydelko, Vice President Feb.-May 2000, Secretary-Treasurer May 2000-Feb. 2001; Neal C. Nealis, Vice President May 2000-Feb 2001; Daniel N. Uditsky, Immediate Past-President
2001-02  Samuel S. Wexler, President; Neal C. Nealis, Vice President; John Szydelko, Secretary-Treasurer; Daniel N. Uditsky, Immediate Past-President
2002-03  Neal C. Nealis, President; Lawrence W. Kolar, Vice President; John Szydelko, Secretary-Treasurer; Samuel S. Wexler, Immediate Past-President
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2008-09  Steven T. Kuhn, President; Kapil Vij, President-Elect; Charles DiFranco, Vice President; Alvin C. Atlas, Secretary-Treasurer; Lawrence W. Kolar, Immediate Past-President
2009-10  Kapil Vij, President; Charles DiFranco, President-Elect; Alvin C. Atlas, Vice President; Susan A. Rowan, Secretary-Treasurer; Steven T. Kuhn, Immediate Past-President
2010-11  Charles DiFranco, President; Alvin C. Atlas, President-Elect; Susan A. Rowan, Vice President; Ross E. Rubino, Secretary-Treasurer; Kapil Vij, Immediate Past-President
2011-12  Alvin C. Atlas, President; Susan A. Rowan, President-Elect; Ross E. Rubino, Vice President; Frank A. Maggio, Secretary-Treasurer; Charles DiFranco, Immediate Past-President
2012-13  Susan A. Rowan, President; Ross E. Rubino, President-Elect; Frank A. Maggio, Vice President; Timothy Aiossa, Secretary-Treasurer; Alvin C. Atlas, Immediate Past-President
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