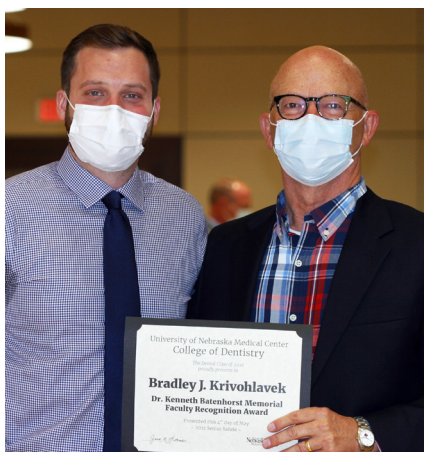


2021-2022

# Recognition & Awards Ceremony

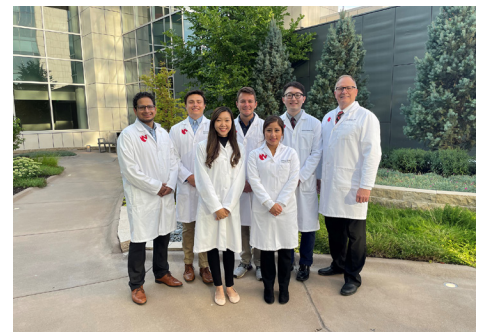


UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA MEDICAL CENTER™  
**COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY**

# Recognition & Awards Ceremony

Today, we applaud and celebrate the entire College of Dentistry community! Every day, every student, faculty and staff member contributes to the present and future of oral health care. As vital members of the College of Dentistry team, you have an important role in continuing the college's 123-year tradition of excellence. Thank you for all you do!

We also congratulate the students, faculty and staff who are being recognized for their professional and scholarly accomplishments. Behind every award, there is a great story of an individual whose hard work and pursuit of excellence has led to extraordinary achievements. The award winners exemplify the college's values of integrity, intellectual curiosity and passion in everything we do.



# 2022 Student Research Day Winners

## Dental

### **First Place**

Heath Ketteler & Isaac Langan  
*Printer Variability and the Impact on Resin Physical Properties, An In Vitro Study*  
Mentor: Dr. Gregory Bennett

### **Second Place**

Erin Farnham & Kirstan Hyser  
*The Role of DHHC13 in Desmosome Function and Its Effects on Cellular Adhesion*  
Mentor: Dr. James KWahl III

### **Third Place**

McCamey McKinley & Katelyn Smith  
*Dental Student Understanding of Medicaid at UNMC College of Dentistry*  
Mentor: Dr. Sarah Lowman

## Dental Hygiene

### **First Place**

Jesi Adams & Kayla Bush  
*In Vitro Study Comparing the Effects of Chlorhexidine and Stellalife & VEGA Oral Care Rinse on S. mutans and S. salivarius*  
Mentor: Lisa Moravec

### **Second Place**

Kateralnada Mahdi & Brooke Lawson  
*Tooth Loss in Correlation with Neurodegenerative*

*Disease: A Retrospective Study*  
Mentor: Dr. Shayla Yoachim

### **Third Place**

Taylor Newell & Lexi Pettit  
*Teeth Whitening: An In Vitro Study Comparing Professional-Grade and Store-Bought Whitening Strips*  
Mentor: Dr. William Johnson

## Postgraduate

### **First Place**

Dr. Grace Moore  
*The Effect of Interproximal Home Regimens on Inflammatory Biomarkers in Periodontal Maintenance Patients*  
Mentor: Dr. Richard A. Reinhardt

### **Second Place**

Drs. Arif Karim & Timothy Jernberg  
*Interleukin-6 Levels are Elevated in Saliva of Patients with Endodontic Disease*  
Mentor: Dr. Thomas Petro

### **Third Place**

Drs. Jordan Castillo & Eric Phan  
*Formocresol Pulpotomy vs. Vitrebond Indirect Pulp Therapy: A 5-year Retrospective Study on Dental Rehabilitation Cases Completed Under General Anesthesia*  
Mentor: Dr. Bryan Skar



### **Keynote Speaker: Dr. Jeffrey Ebersole**

Dr. Ebersole has been a professor and the associate dean for research at the University of Nevada Las Vegas School of Dental Medicine since 2017. He received the IADR award for basic oral science research in 1983, the IADR award for basic research in periodontal disease in 2000, and he served as the president of the American Association for Dental Research from 2011-2012. Dr. Ebersole directed a major COBRE grant from the NIH supporting the Center for the Biologic Basis of Oral/Systemic Diseases at the University of Kentucky. His CV contains over 300 publications, reviews and book chapters in the microbiology and immunology of oral diseases.

# Student Presentations / Conference Participation



## Hinman Student Research Symposium, October 30-31, 2021, Virtual

Carly Aitken

## ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition, March 19-22, 2022, Philadelphia, PA

### Poster Presenters

Ellen Anderson  
Sydney Armstrong, *Partner: Jared Smalley*  
Bo Chao  
Ramanpreet Randhawa, *Partner: Karla Mejia*  
Tommy Waters, *Partner: Bridget McKeegan*

### Participants

Bryce Byman  
Nathaniel Heimann  
Charlotte Sjulín  
*Student Diversity Leadership Program:*  
Cassandra Nguyen & Shyamaly Premaraj

## ASDA Lobby Day, March 20-22, 2022, Washington DC

Mandy Amberg  
Shelby Fisher  
Ayesha Iqbal

## AADOOCR/CADR Annual Meeting & Exhibition, March 21-26, 2022, Atlanta, GA

### Poster Presenters

Mandy Amberg/Shelby Fisher  
Ryan Grove  
Blake Hansen  
Benjamin Kincaid

### SCADA Competition

Jason Jurca

## Senior Case Presentations, April 11, 2022, College of Dentistry

Team Black: Charlotte Sjulín  
Team Blue: Alexis Jessen  
Team Green: Logan Lawrence  
Team Red: Selam Carlson

## ADHA Annual Conference, June 24-26, 2022, Louisville, KY

Jesi Adams  
Kayla Bush  
Lilia Kusek

# Summer Research Fellowship Awards

Fiscal Year 2021-22 - Listed are student(s), mentor(s) and research titles.

## **Mandy Amberg & Shelby Fisher**

Dr. Gregory Bennett

*Comparison of the Polishability of 3D Printed Denture Base Materials Using Three Different Additive Manufacturing Technologies*

## **Sydney Armstrong & Jared Smalley**

Dr. Sarah Lowman

*Exploring Sustainable Dentistry: A Survey of Nebraska Dentists' Beliefs and Awareness of Climate Change and Eco-friendly Practice*

## **Jordan Brozek & Christine Scanlan**

Dr. Sarah Lowman

*Teaching Sexual and Gender Minority Health in Dental Education: Curriculum Trends and Student Perceptions*

## **Ryan Grove**

Dr. Mark Beatty

*Synthesis of Nanotilled Siloxane Copolymers for Facial Prosthetics Applications*

## **Edward Hardy & Randin Rawlings**

Dr. Jeffrey Payne

*Examining the Association Between Smoking, Diabetes, Periodontitis Diagnosis, and Frequency of Periodontal Maintenance Visits with Tooth Loss*

## **Heath Ketteler & Isaac Langan**

Dr. Gregory Bennett

*Printing Final Restorations*

## **Benjamin Kincaid**

Dr. Nagamani Narayana

*Are Dentists Responsible for the Opioid Crisis?*

## **Karla Mejia & Ramanpreet Randhawa**

Dr. Julie Marshall

*Effectiveness of a Bruxism Oral Appliance e-module for Dental Students and Dental Residents*

## **Cassandra Nguyen & Shyamaly Premaraj**

Dr. Jennifer Kallio

*Examining the Impacts of an eLearning Module and Clinical Experiences on Learning SOAP Note Documentation in Dental Education Through Retention Evaluation*

## **Justin Peterson & Makena Sundine**

Drs. Luana Oliveira-Haas, Steven Haas, Gregory Bennett, John Reinhardt

*Noncarious Cervical Lesions Prevalence and Related Risk Factors: A Pilot Cross-sectional Study of Post-orthodontic Patients*

Support for student research has been generously provided by the Alpha Lambda Chapter of Sigma Phi Alpha - National Dental Hygiene Honor Society, Dentsply, International College of Dentists, Nebraska Dental Association, UNMC Office of Research, and the UNMC College of Dentistry.

# Student Academic Scholarships

This year, 86 dental students received 134 awards valued at \$1,750,659 and 26 dental hygiene students received 53 awards valued at \$172,204. We congratulate the recipients of these awards for their hard work and academic excellence and thank the following individual donors and organizations for their thoughtfulness and generosity.

## Dental - University & Foundation Scholarships

Carly Aitken.....	Furmanski Scholarship
Ellen Anderson .....	Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship
Jessica Arland.....	Adeline Neilson Scholarship Foundation Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship
Sydney Armstrong .....	Jay Druecker PhD Memorial Scholarship
Alex Becker.....	Kay F Crawford Scholarship
Jordan Brozek.....	Dental Class of '61 Memorial Scholarship
Andrew Bruch.....	Michael York Scholarship for College of Dentistry
Bryce Byman .....	Roscoe S Baker Scholarship
James Canarsky .....	J J Thomas Scholarship
Nathan Canarsky .....	Dr & Mrs Darrell Moreland Scholarship J J Thomas Scholarship Ray & Amy Frohn Fund
Delaney Carlson.....	Promoting Inclusive Communities
Bo Chao .....	Nonresident Tuition Scholarship
Yiwen Chen .....	Nonresident Tuition Scholarship
Hibah Chughtai .....	Dr Paul Deines Memorial Scholarship Hinrichs Family Scholarship for College of Dentistry
Hannah Dickey.....	Dr Leslie Houlette Memorial Scholarship
Truc Doan.....	National Health Service Corps Scholarship
Amanda Engelbart .....	Duane M Hunt Scholarship
Erin Farnham .....	Nelson College of Dentistry Scholarship
Nathan Free .....	College of Dentistry Millennium Scholarship
Ian Fullinfaw.....	UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Amanda German.....	Dymerski Scholarship UNMC Regents Scholarship
Peyton Halverson.....	Dr R H Steinacher Memorial Scholarship Lincoln Community Foundation North Dakota Community Foundation North Dakota Dollars for Scholars North Star Public School District Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education
Nathaniel Heimann .....	W E Chappell DDS Scholarship
Hannah Hofmaier.....	UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Nicklaus Hofmaier.....	Dr Thomas Bollinger Memorial Merchant Scholarship for College of Dentistry
Ethan Hoopes .....	Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship

Brittan Hoppens.....	Abbie & Elmer Gudmundsen Scholarship Dr & Mrs Darrell Moreland Scholarship Ray & Amy Frohn Fund
Preston Hunt .....	Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship
Holly Ingersoll.....	Delta Dental Nebraska Scholarship Dr & Mrs Peterson College of Dentistry Scholarship Woodbury Study Club Award
Jordan Ingersoll .....	UNMC Regents Scholarship
Anthony Jacobson .....	Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education
Lucas Jarecke .....	College of Dentistry Class of '51 Frosh Scholarship
Alexis Jessen.....	MacKnight Scholarship for Dentistry
Logan Johnson .....	Dr Francis Brown Memorial Scholarship Lawrence F Lindgren Scholarship
Jason Jurca.....	Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship
Casey Jurczewsky .....	Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship
Mitchell Kaus .....	Nonresident Tuition Scholarship
Abby Kautzman.....	UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Heath Ketteler.....	Zinnecker & Smidt Memorial Scholarship
Benjamin Kincaid .....	UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Emily Kleier.....	Dr Cecil H Miller Memorial Scholarship Dr Paul & Marcia Swanson Scholarship Wilbur & Valerie Moon Scholarship
Carter Kocian .....	Asbjornson Family College of Dentistry Scholarship
Landon Koth .....	Dr & Mrs Darrell Moreland Scholarship Ray & Amy Frohn Fund
Isaac Langan.....	Robert & Gayle Jones Scholarship
Morgan Lashley .....	North Platte High School Scholarship
Logan Lawrence .....	Dr Irving Larson Memorial Scholarship H Richard & Eleanor Shipp Scholarship
Lance Lucas.....	Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship
Joshua Madsen .....	Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship
Ella Majerus .....	Leeper Scholarship Fund for UNMC College of Dentistry
Caleb McKinley .....	Nonresident Tuition Scholarship
Yan Mei.....	Nonresident Tuition Scholarship
Kathryn Moncrief.....	Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship
Dani Most.....	Student Success Scholarship
Sophia Pankratz .....	UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Sunit Patel .....	Selma Anderson Pathology Award
Bailey Peckham.....	Mahon Memorial Scholarship School 117 Foundation
Benjamin Petry .....	Nonresident Tuition Scholarship
Kimberly Pierre .....	Nonresident Tuition Scholarship
Shyamaly Premaraj .....	UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Randin Rawlings .....	UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund

Benjamin Reckmeyer .....	Dr Henry A Shannon Memorial Edgar & Minnie Hunt Memorial Meeske & Pankratz College of Dentistry Scholarship
Alec Redwine .....	Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
Brock Reichardt.....	Bush Scholarship for College of Dentistry
Samuel Reimer .....	Dr Frank M Wentz Memorial Scholarship Meeske & Pankratz College of Dentistry Scholarship
Shelby Rose.....	Dr Kenneth Batenhorst Scholarship Dr Reg & Linda Gartner Scholarship
Katherine Sandefur .....	H Clayton Zellers Dental Scholarship
Richard Sandefur .....	UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Christine Scanlan .....	RW Johnson Foundation College of Dentistry Scholarship
Lydia Sigler .....	John Newquist Educational Foundation
Chad Sindelar.....	Paul Carlberg Scholarship
Charlotte Sjulín.....	Dr F Gene & Rosemary Dixon Scholarship Kate Field Grant in Aid Meeske & Pankratz College of Dentistry Scholarship Paul Carlberg Scholarship
Jared Smalley .....	Beavers College of Dentistry Scholarship UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Corbin Smith.....	Dental Class of '64 Memorial Scholarship
Katie Spencer .....	College of Dentistry Class of '82 Scholarship UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Taylor Steiner .....	Nonresident Tuition Scholarship
Nicole Steinhauser.....	UNMC Regents Scholarship
Makena Sundine.....	Dr Donald & Clarice Keys Scholarship Lewis & Anna F Seberg Scholarship Marjorie Kwan Memorial Scholarship UNMC Regents Scholarship
Angela Tranchilla.....	UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Yuliya Vaniurskaya .....	Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship
Benjamin Wachholtz .....	Dr Gaylen R Miller Family Scholarship Ted A Chuman DDS Scholarship
Parker Walton.....	Pruitt Scholarship Fund WY DENT Scholarship
Tommy Waters.....	Evans College of Dentistry Scholarship
Hope Wilke .....	North Platte High School Scholarship
Emma Wilkinson.....	Midlands Community Foundation Mid-Nebraska Community Foundation
Elias Witte.....	UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund Versal & Edith Molly Caton Scholarship
Wendy Zhao .....	National Health Service Corps Scholarship Seberg Family College of Dentistry Scholarship

## Dental Hygiene - University & Foundation Scholarships

Megan Biddlecome .....	Employee Dependent Scholarship John Newquist Educational Foundation
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Vicky Bongomin .....	Horatio Alger Scholarship Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation
Kayla Bush .....	Abbie & Elmer Gudmundsen Scholarship Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation
Daegan Dey .....	Hermene K Ferris Scholarship
Jazmin Esquivel .....	Hazel V Emley Scholarship Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation
Kelsey Faust .....	Hazel V Emley Scholarship
Alexa Fenn .....	Erna E Brisch Scholarship UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Lucille Hill .....	Hermene K Ferris Scholarship
Haleigh Hoos .....	First Presbyterian Church Grand Island Community Foundation
Cailyn Jameson .....	Frank C. Knaack Fund Heart of NE DH Scholarship UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Johanna Jimenez-Ambriz.....	Lexington Community Foundation
Emily Klosterman.....	Erma Grace & Eugene Conley Foundation UNMC College of Dentistry Alumni Fund
Lilia Kusek.....	Horatio Alger Scholarship Ray & Amy Frohn Fund Sue Wilson Scholarship Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation
Brooke Lawson.....	College of Dentistry DH Merit Scholarship
Mollie Lemmons.....	Bucknell Memorial Scholarship College of Dentistry DH Merit Scholarship Osmond General Hospital
Kateralnada Mahdi.....	College of Dentistry DH Merit Scholarship Hazel V Emley Scholarship
Haley Malnack .....	College of Dentistry DH Merit Scholarship Employee Dependent Scholarship
Claire McCoy .....	Gretchen Bechtol Lee Fund Hamilton Community Foundation Hazel V Emley Scholarship
Elizabeth Myers .....	UNMC Faculty Women's Club
Hannah Nemecc.....	Hazel V Emley Scholarship
Hannah Nutter .....	College of Dentistry DH Merit Scholarship Paul Carlberg Scholarship
Kassi Plock.....	Grace Wagner Memorial Scholarship Major Carl R Olson Scholarship Stine Family Scholarship Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation UNMC Regents Scholarship
Gabrielle Rader .....	Gregory VanPelt Memorial Scholarship Hazel V Emley Scholarship NDA West District DH Scholarship
Shelby Rickett .....	College of Dentistry DH Merit Scholarship Hazel V Emley Scholarship Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation
Haley Stellingwerf.....	College of Dentistry DH Merit Scholarship
Brandon Tong .....	NE Career Scholarship

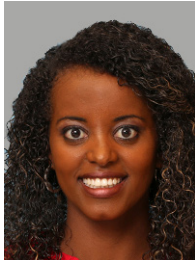
# Special Recognition



## Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU)

National Dental Honor Society

### New Members



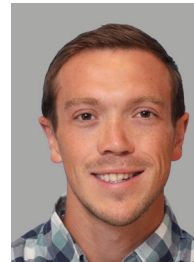
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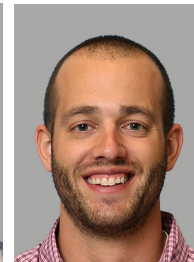
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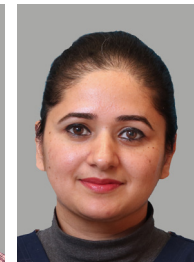
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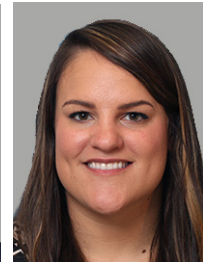
Jordan L.  
Ingersoll



Jason A.  
Jurca



Ramanpreet K.  
Randhawa



Shelby J.  
Rose

## OKU Kramer Award

Recipients demonstrate scholarship, character and the potential promise for advancement of dentistry and service to humanity



Nicole A. Steinhauser



## Sigma Phi Alpha

National Dental Hygiene Honor Society, Alpha Lambda Chapter

### New Members



Kassi A. Plock



Shelby R. Rickett

## Students in Armed Forces Scholarship Program



Selam T.  
Carlson  
*Army*



Andrew W.  
Egger  
*Army*



Yumi  
Liu  
*Air Force*



Jonathan  
Martino  
*Air Force*



Justin  
Peterson  
*Air Force*



Lauren  
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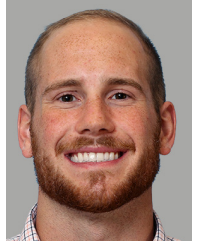
# Special Recognition



**Hibah Chughtai**

**Dr. Jeanne Craig Sinkford Student Leadership Award - ADEA-Sponsored**

Recipients advocate for diversity, equity and inclusion and are champions for access to oral health care for underserved and disadvantaged populations.



**Andrew W. Egger**

**American College of Dentists**

Recipients best exemplify and demonstrate a high sense of ethics and integrity toward the responsibilities of the dental profession.



**Shelby N. Fisher**

**Pierre Fauchard Student Award**

Recipients demonstrate academic excellence and the potential for developing into an outstanding leader in the profession.



**Benjamin C. Kincaid**

**ASDA Award of Excellence**

Recipients achieve superior levels of participation or leadership in service to other students, their school or local community.



**Logan Lawrence**

**International College of Dentists Humanitarian Award**

Recipients show humility and generosity with time and talents and motivate others to serve and provide for the common good.



**Charlotte A. Sjulín**

**Dental Lifeline Network Brian D. Stone Memorial Award**

Recipients demonstrate exceptional volunteer service or care for patients with special needs.

**International College of Dentists Leadership Award**

Recipients have shown outstanding leadership and academic and professional improvement and have great potential to continue to do so.

# Senior Departmental Awards

## Adult Restorative Dentistry Awards

**Academy of Dental Materials** ..... Jordan C. Verplank  
Student who has demonstrated outstanding skills in dental materials science.

**Academy of General Dentistry** ..... Shelby J. Rose  
Student who has shown the most promise of becoming an outstanding general dentist.

**Academy of Operative Dentistry** ..... Jordan C. Verplank  
Student who has achieved excellence in operative dentistry.

**Academy of Osseointegration** ..... Logan Lawrence  
Student who has demonstrated outstanding skills in implant dentistry.

**American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry** ..... William "Brant" McNew  
Student who demonstrates the most clinical proficiency and interest in esthetic dentistry.

**American Academy of Gold Foil Operators** ..... Alec P. Maly  
Student who has shown outstanding qualities as a scholar and clinician in operative dentistry.

**American Academy of Implant Dentistry** ..... Andrew W. Egger  
Student who demonstrates the most interest, academically and clinically, in implant dentistry.

**American College of Prosthodontists Undergraduate Achievement Award** ..... Selam T. Carlson  
Student who has shown high academic and clinical proficiency in prosthodontics.

**B.L. Hooper Removable Prosthodontics Award** ..... Jason A. Jurca  
Student who has shown outstanding ability in the area of prosthetics.

**Hanau Best of the Best Prosthodontic Award** ..... Selam T. Carlson  
Student who is judged to be the leading prosthodontic student.

**International Congress of Oral Implantologists** ..... Karla A. Mejia  
Student who displays the greatest interest and commitment to oral implantology/implant dentistry.

**Society for Color and Appearance in Dentistry** ..... Evan P. McGowan

## Growth and Development Awards

**American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry** ..... Alexis C. Jessen  
Student most understanding of the field of dentistry for children.

**American Association of Orthodontists** ..... Holly L. Ingersoll  
Student who has shown exceptional interest in the development of the oro-facial complex.

**Chi-Cheung Chan Orthodontic Award** ..... Kathryn Q. Moncrief  
Student who has demonstrated the greatest aptitude for orthodontics.

# Senior Departmental Awards

**Nebraska Society of Pediatric Dentistry** ..... Bailey M. Neville  
Student most outstanding in the field of dentistry for children.

## Oral Biology Awards

**American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology** ..... Michael A. Correa  
Student who has shown exceptional interest and accomplishment in dental radiology.

**American Academy of Oral Medicine** ..... Ramanpreet K. Randhawa  
Student who has shown outstanding interest in the field of oral medicine.

**American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology** ..... Holly L. Ingersoll  
Student who has shown outstanding accomplishment and promise in the field of oral pathology.

## Surgical Specialties Awards

**American Academy of Periodontology** ..... Carly Aitken  
Student who has excelled in the field of periodontics.

**American Association of Endodontics** ..... Selam T. Carlson  
Student who has excelled in the field of endodontics.

**American Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons** ..... Sunit Patel  
Student who has demonstrated exemplary aptitude and achievement in oral and maxillofacial surgery.

**AAOMS Student Dental Implant Award** ..... Jason A. Jurca  
Student who has demonstrated outstanding achievements in the study of implants in dentistry.

**American Dental Society of Anesthesiology** ..... Shelby J. Rose  
Student who has shown proficiency in the field of anesthesia in dentistry.

## Dental Hygiene Awards

**Colgate STAR Award** ..... Kateralnada S. Mahdi  
The Student Total Achievement Recognition (STAR) recognizes a student's compassion in patient care, enthusiasm for community service and dedication to and enjoyment of the profession of dental hygiene.

**HuFriedy Golden Scaler Award** ..... Lincoln: Taylor M. Newell  
Presented to seniors with outstanding clinical skills. West Division: Shae A. Toof

**Nebraska Dental Hygienists Association Outstanding Student Award** ... Lincoln: Kateralnada S. Mahdi  
Presented to seniors who exemplify all around potential in dental hygiene. West Division: Gabrielle E. Rader

**Oral B/P Outstanding Community Achievement Award** ..... Brooke A. Lawson  
Recognizes a student for achievement in community dentistry and dental public health.

# Dean's Honor List

## Fall Semester, Academic Year 2021-2022

Acknowledging students in the top 10% of their class.

### Dental Hygiene

#### Junior Class

Alexa Fenn, Omaha, NE  
Savannah Kobza, Falls City, NE

#### Senior Class

Kassi Plock, Burwell, NE  
Shelby Rickett, Ponca, NE

### Dental

#### Freshman Class

Delaney Carlson, Rapid City, SD  
Hannah Janecek, Omaha, NE  
Lucas Jarecke, Columbus, NE  
Huy Khoi Mai, Lincoln, NE  
Ella Majerus, Lincoln, NE  
Jonathan Mitzel, Aberdeen, SD

#### Junior Class

Mandy Amberg, Lincoln, NE  
Shelby Fisher, Lincoln, NE  
Kirstan Hyser, Sioux Falls, SD  
Yan Mei, Shenzhen, China  
Nicole Steinhauser, Alma, NE  
Makena Sundine, Topeka, KS

#### Sophomore Class

Nathan Canarsky, Pleasant Dale, NE  
Brittan Hoppens, Ogallala, NE  
Brent Schulte, Watertown, SD  
Wade Starkey, Mantorville, MN  
Elias Witte, Omaha, NE

#### Senior Class

Selam Carlson, Hays, KS  
Bo Chao, Hohhot, Nei Mongol, China  
Preston Dramse, Grand Island, NE  
Amanda German, Cozad, NE  
Holly Ingersoll, Omaha, NE  
Jordan Ingersoll, Kearney, NE  
Shelby Rose, Tecumseh, NE  
Charlotte Sjulín, Omaha, NE  
Benjamin Wachholtz, Papillion, NE  
Ramanpreet Randhawa, South Daytona, FL

# Honors Convocation

Acknowledging students in the top 15% of their class and senior students who have been recognized at Honors Convocation each year of their enrollment.

## Dental Hygiene

### Junior Class

Alexa N. Fenn, Omaha, NE  
Savannah J. Kobza, Falls City, NE  
Jadie M. Rother, Wolbach, NE

### Senior Class

Kassie A. Plock, Burwell, NE † \*  
Shelby R. Rickett, Ponca, NE †  
Haley D. Malnack, Omaha, NE

## Dental

### Freshman Class

Delaney D. Carlson, Rapid City, SD  
Yiwen Chen, Tianjin, China  
Hannah M. Janecek, Omaha, NE  
Lucas J. Jarecke, Columbus, NE  
Huy Khoi Mai, Lincoln, NE  
Ella M. Majerus, Lincoln, NE  
Jonathan M. Mitzel, Aberdeen, SD  
Laura E. Shaw, Omaha, NE  
Jacob S. Stewart, Lincoln, NE  
Benjamin J. Wetovick, Cozad, NE

### Junior Class

Mandy M. Amberg, Lincoln, NE  
Jordan C. Brozek, Lincoln, NE  
Logan D. Johnson, Lincoln, NE  
Isaac A. Langan, McCook, NE  
Yan Mei, Shenzhen, China  
Benjamin A. Reckmeyer, Omaha, NE  
Nicole A. Steinhauser, Alma, NE  
Makena M. Sundine, Topeka, KS

### Sophomore Class

Bryce T. Byman, Omaha, NE  
Nathan T. Canarsky, Pleasant Dale, NE  
Brittan C. Hoppens, Ogallala, NE  
Landon L. Koth, Sioux Falls, SD  
Samuel M. Reimer, Hastings, NE  
Katherine R. Sandefur, Central City, NE  
Wade J. Starkey, Mantorville, MN  
Elias J. Witte, Omaha, NE

### Senior Class

Andrew W. Egger, St. Charles, IL  
Amanda L. German, Cozad, NE †  
Holly L. Ingersoll, Omaha, NE †  
Jordan L. Ingersoll, Kearney, NE † \*  
Jason A. Jurca, Arlington, WA †  
Emily A. Kleier, O'Neil, NE †  
Shelby J. Rose, Tecumseh, NE  
Benjamin C. Wachholtz, Papillion, NE

† Honors Convocation List since matriculation at the College of Dentistry

\*Upper 3% of Class

# Graduating with Honors

## **Highest Distinction:**

Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.95 or above

## **High Distinction:**

Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.85 or above

## **Distinction:**

Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or above

## **Dental Hygiene**

### **High Distinction**

Kassi A. Plock

## **Dental**

### **Highest Distinction**

Jordan L. Ingersoll

### **High Distinction**

Amanda L. German

Holly L. Ingersoll

Jason A. Jurca

Shelby J. Rose

### **Distinction**

Carly A. Aitken

Andrew A. Bruch

Selam T. Carlson

Bo Chao

Preston J. Dramse

Andrew W. Egger

Emily A. Kleier

Kathryn Q. Moncrief

Chad M. Sindelar

Charlotte A. Sjulín

Benjamin C. Wachholtz



# Faculty Scholarly Honors

During fiscal year 2021, the College of Dentistry submitted 30 applications for \$6,556,547. The following faculty successfully competed for awards totaling \$2,357,136 in extramural funding for teaching, research or service projects. The extramural grants and contracts awarded to the university not only bring attention and prestige to these scholars and the college, but also contribute to the financial support of our various programs. (Data from the 2021 report from the UNMC Sponsored Programs Administration.)

## Grants & Contracts

<b>Awarded</b>	<b>Agency</b>
Mark W. Beatty, DDS, MSE, MSD, MS.....	VA Medical Center VA Rehab R&D
Gregory W. Bennett, DMD .....	Nebraska Bankers Association Equipment Grant / University of Nebraska Foundation
Janet M. Guthmiller, DDS, PhD .....	NE DHHS Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education
Jay D. Hansen, DDS .....	DHHS/HRSA
Lisa Moravec, RDH, MS .....	Oregon Trail Community Foundation Dental Trade Alliance Foundation
Ali Nawshad, PhD .....	Edna Ittner Trust Fund / University of Nebraska Foundation
Luana Oliveira-Haas, DDS, MS, PhD .....	University of Nebraska Medical Center
Aimin Peng, PhD .....	DHHS/NIH/NCI DHHS/NIH/NIDCR Great Plains IdeA Center Pilot
Thomas Petro, PhD.....	University of Nebraska-Lincoln
James Wahl III, PhD .....	Thomas Jefferson University NU Collaboration Initiative

# Faculty Recognition Awards

The students of the College of Dentistry wish to recognize the following faculty for making a profound difference in students' lives and for their commitment to helping students succeed. Certificates of recognition are presented by class presidents upon recommendation of the classes.

## Dental Class of 2025



Dr. Zaid  
Badr



Dr. Shayla D.  
Yoachim

## Dental Class of 2024

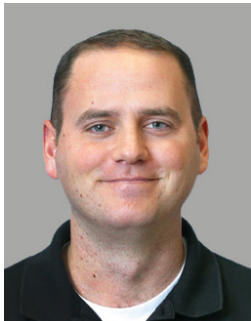


Dr. Gregory G.  
Oakley



Dr. Ernest  
Sigler

## Dental Class of 2023



Dr. Gregory  
Bennett



Dr. Amy C.  
Killeen

## Dental Hygiene Class of 2023



Todd N.  
Junge



Lisa J.  
Moravec

## Dental Hygiene Class of 2022



Chelsea  
Hamilton



Lisa J.  
Moravec

# Faculty Special Recognition

## Dr. Kenneth Batenhorst Memorial Faculty Award



**Dr. Gregory Bennett**



*Dr. Kenneth Batenhorst*

This award is given by the graduating dental class to a faculty member who has made a significant contribution to their education and has shown great dedication to preparing students to be leaders in dentistry.

## Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU) Four-Year Teaching Award



**Dr. Yoshiharu Ameku**

This award recognizes a faculty member who has made a significant educational impact on the Dental Class of 2022.



Honorary OKU Member:  
**Dr. Aimin Peng**

OKU Membership:  
**Dr. Richard Bokemper**



# UNMC Awards

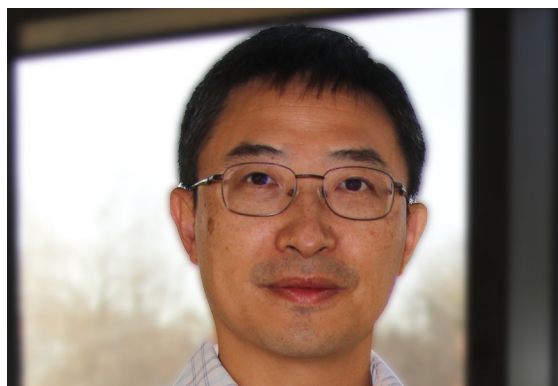
## UNMC Outstanding Teacher Award



**Dr. Ali Nawshad**

This award recognizes an individual for excellence in teaching. Award criteria areas are director of learning, advisor of students, facilitator of human relations, and promotes improvement of educational quality.

## UNMC Distinguished Scientist Award



**Dr. Aimin Peng**

This award recognizes researchers who have been among the most productive scientists in the country during the past five years.

# UNMC Awards

## Silver U Awards



October 2021:  
Priti Gandhi



January 2022:  
Hannah Evans



May 2022:  
Andrea Auer

This award is given to UNMC employees whose overall performance is above and beyond the scope of their position.



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