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Nova Southeastern University
College of Dental Medicine

Senior Awards
DINNER DANCE

The Diplomat Beach Resort Hollywood
May 17, 2018

Welcome

Linda C. Niessen, D.M.D., M.P.H., M.P.P.

Dean and Professor
College of Dental Medicine

Greetings

Administrative Representative

Nova Southeastern University

Dinner

Message to the Graduates

Linda C. Niessen

Message from the Class of 2018

Peter Mai

President

Zohaib Munaf

Student Government President

Golden Apple Award

Selected by the graduating class and awarded to a College of Dental Medicine
faculty member for outstanding teaching skills

Ines Velez, D.D.S., M.S.

Presentation of Honor Cords and Senior Awards

Linda C. Niessen

Hal Lippman, D.D.S.

Executive Associate Dean

Admissions, Student and Alumni Services,
and Clinical Services

The following awards are being presented at the
Senior Awards Dinner Dance.

Omicron Kappa Upsilon Awards

Honorary society membership presented to the graduating students
who have demonstrated high scholarship and character

The Hawk Award

Presented to the student who best exemplifies the characteristics
of a leader—a combination of organization, dedication, sacrifice
and service to the graduating class

Dean's Award

Presented for academic excellence to the student with the highest
academic achievement

Chancellor's Award

Presented to the student who best exemplifies the characteristics of a fine
dentist—a combination of scholarship, leadership, integrity, humanity, and
loyalty to the profession

American College of Dentists Essay Winner

Presented to the graduating student whose essay was selected by
the Fellows as outstanding

The Komet Senior Student Dental Photography Award

Presented to a graduating student who has submitted a photography portfolio
adjusted to be exemplary

The following awards were presented on May 16, 2018,
at the Senior Awards Luncheon.

Academy of General Dentistry Award

Presented to the graduating students who have shown the potential for
becoming outstanding general dentists

**Andrew M. Falestiny
Marjan Mirkheshti**

Academy of Operative Dentistry Award

Presented to a graduating student who demonstrates
exceptional ability in the field of operative dentistry

Effat Ahmadi

Academy of Osseointegration Award

Presented to a graduating student who demonstrated
exceptional ability in the area of oral implantology

Andrew M. Falestiny

Alpha Omega Award for Removable Prosthodontics

Presented to the graduating student who demonstrated the
highest qualities in proficiency, attitude, and concern for patients
in the discipline of removable prosthetics

Kelli Danielle Orcutt

Alpha Omega Scholastic Achievement Award

Presented to a graduating student who has attained one of the highest scholastic
averages during the four-year dental curriculum

Derek Stephen Stallard

American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry

Presented to the graduating student who has demonstrated the most
clinical proficiency and greatest interest in esthetic dentistry.

Luis Franceschi

American Academy of Implant Dentistry Award

Presented to the graduating student who has demonstrated the most
interest, both academically and clinically, in implant dentistry

Lisandra Amador

American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology Award

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated exemplary aptitude and achievement in oral and maxillofacial pathology

Cintia de Bettio Kopecny

American Academy of Oral Medicine Award

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated proficiency in the clinical management of medically compromised patients

Sarah Y. Naon

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Award

Presented to the graduating student who shows the most promise in pediatric dentistry

Victoria Gandarillas

American Academy of Periodontology Award

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated outstanding understanding and promise in the field of periodontics

Domenic E. Digioia

American Association of Endodontics Award

Presented to a graduating student who demonstrates above average skills in the area of endodontics

Jon-Michael Scalercio

American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Award

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated outstanding achievements and performance in undergraduate oral and maxillofacial surgery

Peter Mai

American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Dental Implant Award

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated outstanding achievement and performance in the area of oral implants

Flora Elena Sarmiento

American Association of Orthodontists Award

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated exceptional interest in the development of the oro-facial complex

Tiffany H. Lu

American Association of Public Health Dentistry Award

Presented to a graduating student who has shown interest and outstanding achievement in public health dentistry

Deeva Kirit Bhatt

American College of Prosthodontics Achievement Award

Presented to one graduating student from each CODA-accredited dental school for outstanding achievement in the field of prosthodontics

Lesly Viera

American Dental Society of Anesthesiologist Horace Wells Award

Presented to a graduating student who has shown proficiency in the field of anesthesia in dentistry

Isabella A. Anderson

ASDA Award of Excellence

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated participation and leadership in service

Kalynn Foster

Brasseler Award of Commitment

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated persistence and commitment to pursuing a dental education

Shaileen Tonya Ejtemai

Naghmeh Taherian

CAD/CAM Dentistry Award

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated outstanding proficiency in treatment planning and restoring CAD/CAM restorations

Shelby Willoughby

Dr. Oscar Sotsky Excellence in Orthodontics Award

Presented to a student who demonstrated excellence in orthodontics

Sarah Y. Naon

***Eleanor Bushee Award
American Association of Women Dentists***

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated
academic excellence and leadership

**Latoya Joseph
Deeva Kirit Bhatt**

Endodontics Department Award of Excellence

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated
outstanding clinical skills in endodontics coupled with an
intense academic curiosity

Andrew M. Falestin

Hanau Excellence in Prosthodontics Award

Presented to a graduating student who demonstrated outstanding knowledge
and skills in the study and practice of prosthodontics

Ashley Nicole Beck

International College of Dentists Humanitarian Award

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated
significant leadership and exemplary character traits when
participating in humanitarian service or projects

Victoria Gandarillas

International College of Dentists Leadership Award

Presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated
outstanding professional growth and development during
his or her undergraduate dental education

Zohaib Munaf

International Congress of Oral Implantologist

Presented to a graduating student who displays the greatest interest in,
and commitment to, oral implantology/implant dentistry

Christopher M. Naglieri

Pierre Fauchard Academy Award

Presented to a graduating student and a rising fourth-year student
who have shown outstanding dedication and leadership

Lauren Pinkus

American Prosthodontic Society Achievement Award

Presented to one graduating student who during the year has demonstrated the highest level of clinical proficiency and greatest interest in prosthodontic dentistry.

Marjan Mirkheshti

American College of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons

Presented to a graduating student who has exhibited academic excellence in the area of Oral and Maxillofacial surgery.

Shaileen Tonya Ejtemai

American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Award

Presented to the graduating student who has demonstrated exemplary aptitude and achievement in oral and maxillofacial radiology

Kelli Danielle Orcutt

Delta Dental Student Leadership Award

Presented to the graduating student who has demonstrated outstanding leadership skills, public service commitment, and outstanding service in the field of dentistry

Kathryn Champion

