Dr. Ana P. Dias Ribeiro receives Marc A. Gale Term Professorship

University of Florida College of Dentistry’s Ana P. Dias Ribeiro, D.D.S., M.S., Ph.D., a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Restorative Dental Sciences Division of Operative Dentistry, has been awarded the inaugural Marc A. Gale Term Professorship award, established by donors and practicing dentists to honor the legacy of long-time UFCD educator Marc A. Gale, D.M.D.

The Marc A. Gale Term Professorship is a two-year professorship awarded to a full-time faculty member in the Division of Operative Dentistry at the college who demonstrates leadership and innovation in teaching and contributes to the clinical instruction of the D.M.D. program.

Ribeiro certainly fits the bill with an extensive and impressive record of leadership and scholarly contributions to dental education and the UF College of Dentistry.

Since joining the UFCD faculty, Ribeiro has served as a course director, a pre-clinical and clinical instructor, class advisor and lecturer. She was recently nominated as the director of curriculum in the Department of Restorative Dental Sciences and was actively involved in the college’s tutoring program, accepting responsibility to calibrate faculty, tutors and teaching assistants by organizing small workshops and aligning expectations between tutees, tutors and faculty. She received the 2018 Exemplary Teaching Award at the College of Dentistry, one of the University of Florida’s Superior Accomplishment Awards in 2019, and most recently was bestowed a 2020 Sustained Exemplary Teaching Award from the college.

Ribeiro, who served as the D.M.D. Class of 2020 faculty advisor, was just honored by UFCD’s second-year dental students to be the Class of 2023 faculty advisor.

“I feel so honored to be the first recipient of the Marc A. Gale Term Professorship. He has mentored me from afar, listened to my thoughts and ideas, and provided his feedback. I love teaching so much, and I know he shares the same passion ”
Dr. Eric F. Bauman is a native from Portland, Oregon. He graduated from Villanova University with a B.S. in Biology in 2002 and Oregon Health & Sciences University with a D.M.D in 2006.

Eric completed his advanced Education in General Dentistry with the U.S. Navy in Okinawa, Japan in 2007. In 2011 Eric became a Fellow in the Academy of General Dentistry. He completed a residency in Comprehensive Dentistry at the Naval Postgraduate Dental School in conjunction with receiving his Masters in Oral Biology from Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in 2014. In 2016, Eric achieved Diplomate status with the American Board of General Dentistry.

Eric is bringing a vast of expertise in clinical dentistry, and we are delighted to have him in our team.

Dr. Stephanni Terza becomes a full time faculty in our division

Dr. Stephanni Terza was born in Saint Petersburg, Florida and grew up in Safety Harbor. Stephanni follows her father passion for dentistry and she was grateful of learning from him. Stephanni received her degree in Biology and D.M.D from the University of Florida in 2012, and 2016 respectively. Dr. Terza completed a General Practice Residency in Asheville, NC where she trained in a hospital setting. Dr. Terza return to Gainesville and worked in private practice and as adjunct faculty for the division of Operative Dentistry for 3 years. Dr. Terza decided to pursue a career as full time faculty member in UFCD.

Dr. Terza is married to Matthew Terza who is a professor in the department of Applied Physiology and Kinesiology College of Health and Human Performance. They have two beautiful children Piper (3) and Nathaniel (1).

We are incredibly excited to have Dr. Terza as part of our full time faculty.
Professional Presentations (May-Aug 2020)

**Pereira, P. Multidisciplinary Esthetic Resolutions for the Anterior Dentition.** Saudi Society of Restorative Dentistry. Saudi Arabia. May 2020

**Pereira, P. Multidisciplinary Esthetic Resolutions for the Anterior Dentition: combing art and science.** UCL Eastman Dental Institute, United Kingdom. May 2020

**Oliveira, D. Alternative photoinitiators: novelty or antiquity?** Dental Biomaterials Program at the State University of Campinas. Brazil. June 2020

**Ribeiro, AP. A school-based report of factors associated with high and extreme caries risk.** 67th ORCA Congress. July 2020

**Guha, U. Helping Dental Professionals abroad for Covid-19 Preparedness.** Bangladesh Dental Society, Bangladesh. May 2020

**Delgado, AJ. Conservative Approaches in the Esthetic Zone.** University of Florida. Gainesville, FL, USA. August 2020

**Roulet, J-F. Composite History.** University of Florida. Gainesville, FL, USA. June 2020


**Reis, AF. Clinical Applications of Adhesive Concepts.** Campinas State University, Brazil. August 2020

**Gordan VV. Current use of selective and complete (non-selective) caries removal in deep carious lesions.** Veterans Affairs Chief of Offices and National Dental PBRN, USA, September 2020

**Gordan VV. Report of the taskforce for planning of the Practitioner Virtual Annual Meeting.** Presenter. Virtual Face-to-Face meeting of the National Dental PBRN. August 2020

**Gordan VV. Discussion group on partnerships with ARC, NCC, and NIDCR.** Virtual Face-to-Face meeting of the National Dental PBRN. August 2020.
Faculty Updates

- **Dr. Alex Delgado** was elected as the new Chair for the Student Affair Committee and also was elected to be in the Promotion and Tenure Committee.

- **Dr. Day Oliveira** was elected to serve as the Vice-Chair at the Student Affair Committee and also was elected to be in the Clinical Affair and Quality Assurance Committee. Dr. Oliveira also was awarded the Wellness Warrior Award.

- **Dr. Marc Ottenga** was elected in Faculty Development and Constitution Committee.

- **Dr. Mateus Rocha** was elected in Research and IT Committee.

- **Dr. Ana Ribeiro** was elected to be in the Constitution Committee.

- **Dr. Valeria Gordan** was elected on Development Committee and also appointed by the Dean as a member of a group at the Health Science Center to assess Artificial Intelligence initiatives. Dr. Gordan was also Chair of the taskforce for planning virtual annual practitioner meeting of the National Dental PBRN. Invited by Chancellor of University of Sharjah, in UAE to be an international consultant and evaluate faculty performance for promotion.

Dr. Ribeiro was chosen as the Class Advisor for the Class of 2023

The DMD class of 2023 proposed to **Dr. Ana P. Ribeiro** and asked her to be their class advisor. “It was special and unique... Thank you Class of 2023. It is a honor to be your Class Advisor...Cheers for new beginnings” said Dr. Ribeiro.


Published Research


In mid-March of 2020 an Emergency Screening and Triage Clinic was established early in the Covid 19 pandemic to help with the emergency dental needs of our UFCD patient population. Being that the faculty of the Department of Restorative Dental Sciences are a primary source guiding and delivering patient care at our college, we saw many of our faculty step forward and volunteer to set up and manage the screening and triage aspect of emergency care. Dr. Marc Ottenga was asked to help spearhead this effort and it was so incredibly gratifying to see the selfless efforts of many individuals within our college and especially within our Operative Division who were so willing to step forward. As we all know, emergency care was the only care that we were permitted to grant to our patients from the early days in March through the middle of June. Working with Teledentistry, as well as walk-in patients, they were charged daily with determining the probable current Covid status of perspective patients and to consider if their needs were truly of an emergency nature. They then guided the patients designated as needing such emergency care to the proper faculty, residents and staff on duty to handle their dental needs within the guidelines available to treat those needs.

The faculty members who worked on this project along with Dr. Ottenga were: Dayane Oliveira, Mateus Rocha, Andre Reis, Rebecca Sikand, Upoma Guha, Deborah Dilbone, and Sujin Ju.

All of them make the division very proud and we are grateful for their kindness, dedication and skill during this trying time. Well done team!!! Dr. Ottenga
A word from Dr. Delgado

Looking back at what is happening in the world, and talking to colleagues from different institutions. I can tell you that I am proud to work at UFCD. The administration, faculty, staff, students and patients are working together to make our college the best in the world; we should be grateful for the opportunities that we have been given and proud of what we have accomplished. Our students have been working and treating patients since June, our faculty have adapted by changing their teaching styles and at the same time providing care in faculty practice. Our patients trust in our new clinical protocol implementations and they are receiving high quality oral care. Change can be difficult, but if you do it in an environment which you are surrounded by wonderful people and have the same mindset, it becomes very easy. We discuss orange and blue teams daily, and one day we will return to a new normal, but right now the safety of our families, faculty, students, staff and patients is our number one priority. I am sure I will be seeing my blue students and faculty soon and we will go back to one Big Orange and Blue family. Go Gators!

Alex

Providing CARE to our patients

Many of the Operative faculty members are devoted to providing comprehensive care to patients in Faculty Practice in the area of prevention, diagnosis, restorative and esthetic dentistry.

Dr. Patricia Pereira
Dr. Ana P. Ribeiro
Dr. Alex J. Delgado
Dr. Andre Reis
Dr. Upoma Guha
Dr. Mateus Rocha
Dr. Dayane Oliveira
Dr. Eric Bauman

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