DEN8290: Clinical Orthodontics
Fall 2021

Course Description:

This is a rotating topics course. Students must complete 6 credits of elective courses during the 4-year curriculum.

This elective course provides an in-depth experience for DMD students who are interested in further pursuing knowledge and skills in clinical orthodontics.

I. General Information

Course Director:

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Semester: Fall

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II. Course Goals

The goal of this elective is to provide an in depth experience for individuals who are interested in further pursuing their orthodontic knowledge in the clinic.
III. Course Overview

This course has didactic and clinical components and accepts 16 students.

The elective entails a monthly morning clinic of 4 students per session who will treat several patients under the guidance of faculty. Students would be enrolled over three consecutive semesters and Spring semester 8, Summer semester 9 and Fall semester 10. Students enrolling in this elective are making a commitment to attend the preclinical and clinical session on a monthly basis in order to treat the assigned patients.

Students that successfully complete each semester of this elective will receive 1 elective credit per semester (cumulative of 3 credit hours.).

IV. Course Format

1. Each student will be assigned to attend the elective clinic on a monthly basis.
2. All elective clinics will occur on Wednesday from 9:00am – noon.
3. Students will be expected to attend with their same group and not change groups. Since orthodontic treatment is a continuum, it is intended to keep the same patients with each group for maximum learning experience.
4. Prior to each clinic, a general session will be held on Zoom to discuss treatment plan cases and review treatment, certain topics related to the clinical cases. This session will be held from 9:00am -10:00am.
5. Clinical care of patients will take place from 10:00am – noon in the orthodontic clinic.
6. If you are not able to come to the clinic, you are to notify Dr. Karanth by email at least 1 week in advance.

V. Course Material

VI. Course Objectives

At the end of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Select cases that are within their capability to treat competently.
2. Treatment plan patients for orthodontic care.
3. Complete the necessary steps to successfully complete an orthodontic case.
VII. Course Competencies

VIII. Evaluation

Student Evaluation is Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U).

S=attendance and participation
U=tardy, unprepared and/or absences and lack of participation.

Remediation:

IX. Administrative Practices

Administrative practices for all UFCD courses are universally applied. Exceptions to or deviations from these practices are stated in the individual syllabi by the course director. When not individually stated in the syllabus, course administrative practices default to those identified under "Course Policies" on the DMD Student Website:

https://dental.ufl.edu/education/dmd-program/course-policies/

X. Grade Scale

The grade scale for this course is Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U).