

SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY

Fourteen residents graduated in December of 2017 and they have scattered across the U.S. and the world and are expected to serve their patients and specialty admirably. They and their home dental school are:

Dr. **Karim Allahdina**, University of Texas San Antonio
Dr. **Daniel Areepong**, A.T. Still University
Dr. **Kenneth Edwards**, Midwestern University Arizona
Dr. **Bryan Ganim**, University of Louisville
Dr. **Steven Hemphill**, Baylor College of Dentistry
Dr. **Erin Jain**, Southern Illinois University
Dr. **Sung Kim**, University of Michigan
Dr. **Paige Pfeffer**, University of Pittsburgh
Dr. **Thinh Pham**, Baylor College of Dentistry
Dr. **Bhudsadee Saenghirunvattana**, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand
Dr. **Lisa Seim**, University of Missouri – Kansas City
Dr. **Brandon Tivis**, Baylor College of Dentistry
Dr. **Irish Abigail Tongco**, University of Florida
Dr. **Yi Yang**, Baylor College of Dentistry

All of the graduated residents passed the ABO written exam and most are preparing their cases for the upcoming clinical exams. The competency exam for the Class of 2017 was recently done by Drs. **Larry Tadlock** (Baylor) and Dr. **Tim Trulove** (University of Alabama). It was a rewarding experience for all.

Two new full-time faculty are joining SLU/CADE on January 1. They are Drs. **Julie McCray** and **Patrick Foley**. Drs. **Darren Rodabough**, **Brent Bankhead** and **John Firth** have been added to our clinical faculty. Drs. **Matt Bauer** and **Zak Varble** have decided to pause their activities as clinical instructors.

After a little over 15 years our esteemed faculty member, Dr. **Don Oliver**, has retired. Dr. **Rolf Behrents**, who also retires on December 31, 2017, will volunteer two days a month in 2018 and will continue to teach literature, cephalometrics and research. The search committee for the new program director has set interviews for the month of January 2018.

The Orthodontic Education and Research Foundation will hold its next meeting March 9-11, 2018 at the Ritz-Carlton in St. Louis. Many fine speakers will enlighten the audience. They are Drs. **Peter Shapiro** (Merit Award Recipient), **Richard McLaughlin**, **Eustaquio Araujo**, **Sanjivan Kandasamy**, **Louis Chmura** and **Jae Park**. Contact moscalb@slu.edu for information on the OERF meeting.

The SLU orthodontic program has many guest speakers arranged for the Winter/Spring of 2018. All MSO students and faculty are encouraged to look at the schedule on our website (it is updated periodically) and if they find a presentation they would like to attend, please let us know.

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