INDIANA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

Commencement Proceedings

DR. CAROL ANNE MURDOCH-KINCH PRESIDING
DEAN, INDIANA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

2:00 P.M., FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2020

PROCESSIONAL ........................................... White River Brass

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS .................... Dr. Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch
DEAN, INDIANA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

GREETINGS FROM DENTAL ORGANIZATIONS .......... Dr. Amy M. Gerardot
PRESIDENT, INDIANA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
Dr. Steven C. Hollar
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Ms. Sheli R. Taulbee
PRESIDENT, INDIANA DENTAL HYGIENISTS’ ASSOCIATION
Ms. Elizabeth Vollrath
PRESIDENT, INDIANA DENTAL ASSISTANTS ASSOCIATION

KEYNOTE SPEAKER ...................................... Dr. Paul K. Halverson
DEAN, INDIANA UNIVERSITY RICHARD M. FAIRBANKS SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES ...................... Dr. Paul C. Edwards
SENIOR ASSOCIATE DEAN, ACADEMIC PROGRAMS
INDIANA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

CERTIFICATES IN DENTAL ASSISTING
Ms. Elizabeth Vollrath
READING OF THE DENTAL ASSISTANT’S PLEDGE

B.S. IN DENTAL HYGIENE DIPLOMAS
B.S. IN PUBLIC HEALTH DENTAL HYGIENE DIPLOMAS
Ms. Sheli R. Taulbee
READING OF THE DENTAL HYGIENIST’S PLEDGE

D.D.S. DIPLOMAS
Dr. Steven C. Hollar
READING OF THE DENTIST’S PLEDGE

FACULTY HOODERS
Dr. Daniel S. Bennett
Dr. Daniel E. Shin
Dr. Michael E. Sovanich
Dr. Jeffrey E. Steele

M.S.D. DIPLOMAS, CERTIFICATES AND PH.D. DIPLOMAS
FACULTY HOODER
Dr. Richard L. Gregory

RECESSIONAL ........................................... White River Brass
Congratulations, Class of 2020! This certainly will be a day to remember, although I imagine not for all the reasons you had hoped. I extend my congratulations to your families and friends, and my heart goes out to all who are disappointed they did not get to see their graduate walk across the stage.

For many of us, there has been a feeling of loss during the COVID-19 pandemic – loss of lives, loss of the normalcy of life as we knew it, loss of special events postponed or cancelled. I know that I, along with the faculty and staff, also feel sad that we did not have more face-to-face time with you in your final semester, even as we are so proud of and happy for you as you launch into your careers.

You are a special class. You graduated during Indiana University’s bicentennial celebration, as well as a global pandemic. The world’s calamity should never diminish your sense of accomplishment for arriving at this day. The last six weeks of your final semester do not define the years of training that preceded them.

We were proud of you before; we are even prouder of you now that you achieved this major milestone under these challenging conditions. The interruption in your final months at IUSD has required you to be resilient, flexible, and patient in dealing with ambiguity – strengths that perhaps you did not know you possessed when you began your dental education – qualities that will serve you well in practice.

Dentistry has survived infectious disease crises before, and we will get through this, together. I was a dental diagnostic sciences resident at Indiana University during the HIV/AIDS crisis in the late 1980s and early 1990s. At the time, we did not know what we were dealing with nor how the disease was transmitted. We learned so much about universal precautions, infectious disease, and our capacity to provide competent, compassionate care in challenging circumstances. Dentistry emerged as a leader in developing infection control protocols for the health professions. We will again combine the best of our profession – science and knowledge, critical thinking, ethics, and technical skills – to determine how we will provide care for our patients in a new era of infectious disease management.

As oral health providers, we have committed to serving on the front lines and taking on more risk than the average person. Helping the public is our responsibility and our duty.

Your graduation is but one day of your entire career, which commences now. You may look back at this time and recall that while we were physically separated, the crisis actually brought us closer together and clarified what is important in our lives. Be confident that you received what you needed from the Indiana University School of Dentistry to serve as excellent oral health care professionals. You have the tools to launch, and your learning will be lifelong.

We are so immensely proud of you. Keep learning! Keep growing! Keep caring! Keep in touch!
#IUSDTogetherStrong

With fondest regards and well wishes,

Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch, DDS, PhD, FDS RCDS(Ed)
Dean
2020 Graduation Honors and Awards

DENTAL ASSISTING

Brianna M. Beeson
- Dental Assisting Radiology Excellence Award

Jordan D. Bruns
- Hu-Friedy Expanded Functions–Golden Carver Award

Malina M. L. Montgomery
- Dental Assisting Clinical Achievement Award

Maia I. Williams
- Dental Assisting Academic Achievement Award
- Procter & Gamble Best Clinician–Dental Assisting Award

DENTAL HYGIENE

Kristi M. LeBeau
- Tillman E. Miller Clinical Achievement Award - 2nd Place

Abdul Ahad Pirzada
- Johnson Public Health Dental Hygiene Scholarship Award

Nelly F. Sandoval
- High Academic Distinction
- Hu-Friedy Golden Scaler Award

Jennifer L. Sheets
- Highest Academic Distinction
- Indiana University School of Dentistry Alumni Association Harrett F. Hine Award
- Rossya Kaufman Memorial Award in Dental Hygiene
- Theta Chapter, Sigma Phi Alpha Dental Hygiene Honor Society
- Tillman E. Miller Clinical Achievement Award - 1st Place

Alissa L. Shinault
- Academic Distinction
- Johnson Public Health Dental Hygiene Scholarship Award
- Theta Chapter, Sigma Phi Alpha Dental Hygiene Honor Society

Katlin C. Smithey
- Procter & Gamble Prevention Award in Dental Hygiene

Jessica E. St John
- High Academic Distinction
- Rossya Kaufman Memorial Award in Dental Hygiene

DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY

Hussein Abdulameer
- The International Dentist Program (IDP) Leadership Award

Tejpal S. Athwal
- American Academy of Implant Dentistry Award

Joshua D. Bussard
- American College of Dentists Outstanding Student Leader Award
- Delta Dental Fund Student Leadership Award

Trisha J. Cahill
- Academy of Operative Dentistry Award
- Quintessence Publishing Company Award in Restorative Dentistry

Brianne N. Cipich
- Indiana Society of Pediatric Dentistry Award
- Johnson Public Health DDS Scholarship Award

Kate L. Clark
- Dennis P. Zimmerman, DDS Memorial Scholarship

Krystina M. Cobb
- American Dental Society of Anesthesiology Horace Wells Senior Student Award

Maria V. Contreras
- Johnson Public Health DDS Scholarship Award

Kyle M. Davis
- High Academic Distinction
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Calvin L. Despain
- Dr. Tillman E. Miller Clinical Achievement Award in Dentistry
- Highest Academic Distinction
- Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Adam J. Feuerstein
- James L. Maus Memorial Scholarship Award

Walker S. F. Fiederlein
- American Association of Public Health Dentistry Award

Daniel J. Frost
- Johnson Public Health DDS Scholarship Award

Trevor L. Furnish
- Delta Dental Foundation Community Commitment Award

Grant C. Greif
- American Academy of Oral Medicine Certificate of Merit and Award in Oral Medicine

Basal K. Hassan
- American Association of Endodontists Student Achievement Award in Endodontics
- American Association of Oral Maxillofacial Surgeons 2020 Dental Student Award
- International College of Dentists Student Humanitarian Award
- Johnson Public Health DDS Scholarship Award

Brandi J. Herron
- American Academy of Gold Foil Operators Award
- American Academy of Periodontology 2020 Dental Student Award
- James E. Humphrey, DDS Memorial Scholarship Award
- Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Bennett S. Hollar
- Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) 2020 Senior Student Award
- Highest Academic Distinction
- Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society
Jireh J. Lin
- John F. Johnston Award
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Ashley M. Lock
- American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Award

Nicholas M. Lynch
- Highest Academic Distinction
- Indiana Dental Association Award
- International College of Dentists USA Section Student Leadership Award
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society - Outstanding Student

Rebecca A. Maginot
- Quintessence Publishing Company Awards in Research

Surendra Reddy Mandapati
- 2020 Dentsply Sirona Merit Award in Removable Prosthodontics
- Johnson Public Health DDS Scholarship Award
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Ranjeet S. Mann
- American College of Prosthodontists Award
- High Academic Distinction
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Aya M. A. Mansour
- High Academic Distinction
- The Dean’s International Dentist Program (IDP) Citation
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Amanda L. Martinez
- American Equilibration Society Award
- Dental Lifeline Network Outstanding Student Award
- Highest Academic Distinction
- Roland R. Ditto and Marcus R. Ditto Pediatric Dentistry Scholarship
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Reed A. McKinney
- American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry Award
- Dean’s Award for Research Excellence
- Pierre Fauchard Academy Award
- Research Honors Program – Certificate of Achievement

Andrew G. Nowak
- American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Dental Implant Student Award

Terrence B. Roberts
- Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) 2020 Senior Student Award
- Dr. Charles E. and Janice B. Kem Award
- Highest Academic Distinction
- Indianapolis General Dentistry Study Club Award
- The American Prosthodontic Society Student of Merit Award
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Nicole R. Rogers
- Indiana Society of Periodontists Award
- International Congress of Oral Implantologists Pre-Doctoral Student Achievement Award

Abe Saff
- Certificate of Merit, American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Predoctoral Student Award

Brady K. Schneider
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Teal N. Smith
- American Student Dental Association Award

Leah N. Stetzel
- Academy of Osseointegration Outstanding Dental Student in Implant Dentistry Award
- American Association of Orthodontists Award
- American Association of Women Dentists 2020 Eleanor J. Bushee Senior Student Award
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Monica A. Vance
- American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology Dental Student Award

Hannah J. White
- High Academic Distinction
- Quintessence Publishing Company Award in Periodontics
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society
- Whip Mix Hanau Best of the Best Prosthodontics Award

Lauren M. White
- Academy of Dental Materials Award
- Highest Academic Distinction
- Roland R. Ditto and Marcus R. Ditto Pediatric Dentistry Scholarship
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society

Jacob A. Willhite
- High Academic Distinction
- Indiana University School of Dentistry Alumni Association Maynard K. Hine Award
- James E. Humphrey, DDS Memorial Scholarship Award
- Theta Theta Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society
Certificates in Dental Assisting

Brianna M. Beeson
Indianapolis, Indiana

Jordan D. Bruns
Indianapolis, Indiana

Tyler N. Grays
Indianapolis, Indiana

Jordan L. Hendricks
Crown Point, Indiana

Whitney N. Hinojosa
Indianapolis, Indiana

Jeneé Johnson
Lake Providence, Louisiana

Shelby A. King
Greenwood, Indiana

Emma G. Maudlin
Brownsburg, Indiana

Rylie M. Mayo
Franklin, Indiana
Certificates in Dental Assisting

Malina M. L. Montgomery
Indianapolis, Indiana

Abigail M. Nunlist
Batesville, Indiana

Mackenzie R. Riddle
Daleville, Indiana

Morgan R. Riddle
Daleville, Indiana

Rebecca L. Stafford
Liberty, Indiana

Alyssa M. Timmerman
New Palestine, Indiana

Kalie J. Vanderbilt
Round Rock, Texas

Katelyn M. White
Zionsville, Indiana

Maia I. Williams
West Jordan, Utah
The Dental Assistant’s Pledge

In my practice as a dental assistant, I affirm my commitment to improve the oral health of the public, and to promote high standards of quality dental care. I shall faithfully respect the Principles of Professional Ethics by the profession.

I pledge to continually improve my professional knowledge and skills, and to uphold the highest standards of professional competence and personal conduct in the interests of the dental assisting profession and the public I serve.
Bachelor of Science Dental Hygiene Degrees

Lydia C. Borgman
North Vernon, Indiana

Caylei A. Daniels
Indianapolis, Indiana

Finan T. Ghebrehiwet
Asmara, Eritrea

Kali M. Govert
Cedar Lake, Indiana

Carrie J. Houser
Avon, Indiana

Shelby L. Kleeman
Indianapolis, Indiana

Kristi M. LeBeau
Greenfield, Indiana

Brianna I. Lebeda
Shelburn, Indiana

Emily M. Morris
Pendleton, Indiana
The Dental Hygienist’s Pledge

In my practice as a dental hygienist, I affirm my personal and professional commitment to improve the oral health of the public, to advance the art and science of dental hygiene, and to promote high standards of quality care. I pledge continually to improve my professional knowledge and skills, to render a full measure of service to each patient entrusted to my care, and to uphold the highest standards of professional competence and personal conduct in the interests of the dental hygiene profession and the public it serves.
Doctor of Dental Surgery Degrees

Cynthia R. Cai
Carmel, Indiana

Justin Chan
Macomb, Michigan

Michael P. Chanthalangsy
Paris, France

Gerald W. Childs, Jr.
Munster, Indiana

Subramanyeswara S. Chinni
Khammam, India

Brianne N. Cipich
South Haven, Indiana

Kate L. Clark
Indianapolis, Indiana

Krystina M. Cobb
Clinton, Indiana

Christopher J. Colella
Templeton, Massachusetts
Maria V. Contreras
San Cristobal, Venezuela
2nd Lt., U.S. Army

Andrew R. Dalin
St. Louis, Missouri

Kyle M. Davis
Fairmount, Indiana

Baleigh A. Deitrich
Logansport, Indiana

Calvin L. Despain
Caldwell, Idaho

Ngan N. Do
Atlanta, Georgia

Christina T. Duong
Chesapeake, Virginia

Molly E. Dwenger
Fishers, Indiana

Meg M. Eber
Chicago, Illinois
Doctor of Dental Surgery Degrees

Brittany J. Everett  
Mooresville, Indiana

Marcus C. Fenn  
Benson, Arizona

Matthew W. Ferguson  
Whitehall, Michigan

Adam J. Feuerstein  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Walker S. F. Fiederlein  
West Lafayette, Indiana

Jessica D. Filosa  
Seymour, Indiana

Andrew J. Fogg  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Daniel J. Frost  
Flagstaff, Arizona

Trevor L. Furnish  
Montpelier, Indiana
Doctor of Dental Surgery Degrees

Shaun W. Herron  
Rochester, Indiana  
1st Lt., IN National Guard

Christopher A. S. Holcomb  
Terre Haute, Indiana

Bennett S. Hollar  
Warsaw, Indiana

Eric G. Hollensbe  
Carmel, Indiana

Jannaye S. Huser  
Anderson, Indiana

Omar Ismael  
Baghdad, Iraq

Cristiane G. A. Jereissati  
Fortaleza, Brazil

Navpreet Kaur  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Jinny Kim  
Evanston, Illinois
Doctor of Dental Surgery Degrees

Taylor A. Lundquist
Battle Lake, Minnesota

Nicholas M. Lynch
Floyds Knobs, Indiana

Briana M. Maddox
Lafayette, Indiana

Rebecca A. Maginot
Huntington Beach, California

Surendra Reddy Mandapati
Vijayawada, India

Ranjeet S. Mann
Irvine, California

Aya M. A. Mansour
Mansoura, Egypt

Amanda L. Martinez
Avon, Indiana

Robert W. McBride
Valparaiso, Indiana
Magy G. McKary
Carmel, Indiana

Reed A. McKinney
Brownstown, Indiana
2nd Lt., U.S. Army

Caley F. Mintz
Munster, Indiana

Shuaib A. Mirani
New Albany, Indiana

Grace E. Moore
Indianapolis, Indiana

Chloe K. Mounayar
Muncie, Indiana

Sara J. Musselman
Denver, Indiana

Chelsea A. Myers
New Baltimore, Michigan

Lyla D. Nassimi
Marion, Indiana
Doctor of Dental Surgery Degrees

Daniel F. Nofar
West Bloomfield, Michigan

Andrew G. Nowak
Chicago, Illinois

Jeong Teag Oh
Seoul, South Korea

Michelle A. Otieno
Indianapolis, Indiana

Vruti P. Patel
Chicago, Illinois

Shawn M. Perry
Magrath, Canada

Samantha E. Rahrig
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Jeffrey J. Receveur
Kinderhook, New York

Megan K. Reckley
Indianapolis, Indiana
Venkata Revuru  
Nellore, India

Terrence B. Roberts  
Gaston, Indiana  
Senior Airman, U.S. Air Force (Vet)

Nicole R. Rogers  
Kokomo, Indiana

Taylor T. Rogers  
Fishers, Indiana

Abe Saff  
Brooklyn, New York

Bryan D. Schmidt  
Cicero, Indiana

Mark J. Schmitz  
Terre Haute, Indiana

Brady K. Schneider  
Milford, Michigan

Joseph M. Scrivano  
Shelby Township, Michigan
Doctor of Dental Surgery Degrees

Geoffrey S. Seidl
Mooresville, Indiana

Vicki Shah
South Barrington, Illinois

Amruta Shirbhate
Nagpur, India

Taylor N. Shireman
Greenwood, Indiana

Mitchell A. Shoemaker
Brownstown, Indiana

Teal N. Smith
North Vernon, Indiana

Saboori Sobti
Nagpur, India

Morgan E. Spicer
Bellbrook, Ohio

Joshua C. Stephens
Granger, Indiana
Leah N. Stetzel
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Lucas I. Trout
Muncie, Indiana

Abhay Unjiya
Rajkot, India

Monica A. Vance
Carol Stream, Illinois

Robin S. Warainch
Lakhimpur Kheri, India

Caitlin S. Whitaker
Aurora, Indiana

Hannah J. White
Indianapolis, Indiana

Lauren M. White
Roanoke, Indiana

Jacob A. Willhite
Rising Sun, Indiana
The Dentist’s Pledge

I, as a member of the dental profession, shall keep this pledge and these stipulations.

I understand and accept that my primary responsibility is to my patients, and I shall dedicate myself to render, to the best of my ability, the highest standard of oral health care and to maintain a relationship of respect and confidence. Therefore, let all come to me safe in the knowledge that their total health and well-being are my first considerations.

I shall accept the responsibility that, as a professional, my competence rests on continuing the attainment of knowledge and skill in the arts and sciences of dentistry.

I acknowledge my obligation to support and sustain the honor and integrity of the profession and to conduct myself in all endeavors such that I shall merit the respect of patients, colleagues, and my community. I further commit myself to the betterment of my community for the benefit of all of society.

I shall faithfully observe the Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct set forth by the profession.

All this I pledge with pride in my commitment to the profession and the public it serves.

International Dentist Program

The Indiana University International Dentist Program integrates dentists trained outside the United States into the second semester of the second year of the DDS program in order to prepare for licensure in the United States. The International Dentist Program Class of 2020 graduates are:

Dr. Hussein Abdulameer
Dr. Emad M. Barakat
Dr. Subramanyeswara S. Chinni
Dr. Himabindu Gogeneni
Dr. Omar Ismael

Dr. Cristiane G. A. Jereissati
Dr. Karima N. Lubbadeh
Dr. Surendra Reddy Mandapati
Dr. Aya M. A. Mansour
Dr. Venkata Revuru

Dr. Amruta Shirbhate
Dr. Saboori Sobti
Dr. Abhay Unjiya
Dr. Robin S. Warainch

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Chul Ho Yang
Seoul, Korea

Aman M. Yehdego
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Stephen A. Zahm
Roanoke, Indiana
Master of Science Degrees

Fahad A. AlMady
Al Khobar, Saudi Arabia
Cariology Operative Dentistry

Saud Ali M. Alqahtani
Abha, Saudi Arabia
Prosthodontics

Abdulaziz M. AlSakr
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Periodontology

Aram M. AlShehri
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Cariology Operative Dentistry

Rojin Amiri
Saratoga, California
Pediatric Dentistry

Shadie R. Azar
Boston, Massachusetts
Periodontology

Katelyn M. Brauer
Lafayette, Indiana
Pediatric Dentistry

Adam B. Broady
Indianapolis, Indiana
Endodontics

Sarah K. Buedel
Evansville, Indiana
Orthodontics
Master of Science Degrees

Juliet E. Chang
Woodland Hills, California
Periodontology

Celine Joyce Cornelius Timothius
Chennai, India
Periodontology

Joseph A. Deek
Valparaiso, Indiana
Orthodontics

Elizabeth A. Dyer
Galveston, Texas
Pediatric Dentistry

Benjamin I. Fischer
Brownsburg, Indiana
Endodontics

Jackie J. Hwang
Sugar Land, Texas
Pediatric Dentistry

Sameer Kapoor
Allentown, Pennsylvania
Periodontology

Elana Y. Laks
Miami, Florida
Prosthodontics

Lauren E. Long
Jasper, Indiana
Pediatric Dentistry
Ahmad Muhammad Ali Majeed-Saidan
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Prosthodontics

Milagros E. Miranda Delgado
Lima, Peru
Prosthodontics

Lamia S. Mokeem
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Cariology Operative Dentistry

Hengameh Motevasel
Tehran, Iran
Orthodontics

Katherine L. Pauly
Roselle, Illinois
Endodontics

Rebecca R. Rafla
Louisville, Kentucky
Pediatric Dentistry

Hajir Rahimi
Tehran, Iran
Orthodontics

Emily E. Sachs
Pomfret, Connecticut
Orthodontics

Charmi Solanki
Mumbai, India
Periodontology
Master of Science Degrees

Fang-Yu Su
Taichung, Taiwan
Prosthodontics

James P. Thompson
Ft. Wayne, Indiana
Orthodontics

Alexander D. Voris
Fishers, Indiana
Pediatric Dentistry

Justin I. Watson
Federal Way, Washington
Cariology Operative Dentistry
Lt. Comdr., U.S. Navy
Certificates

Lauren R. Hanzlik
Fort Collins, Colorado
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Jordan M. Swarbrick
El Dorado, California
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Tim K. Wang
Los Angeles, California
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Doctor of Philosophy Degrees

Saleh M. Alhijji
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Dental Sciences

Rawan S. AlRasheed
Riyadh, Saudia Arabia
Dental Sciences
Dr. Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch grew up in a family of health care professionals. Her dad was a dentist; her mother a nurse. All of her siblings are health professionals as well.

“I spent a lot of time in my dad’s dental office in Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada. It was closer to my elementary school than to our home, so I would walk there after school. I liked watching him interact with his patients,” said Dean Murdoch-Kinch. “I chose dentistry because it allowed me to help people, work with my hands, and use biology and medicine.”

Dr. Murdoch-Kinch studied biology at the University of New Brunswick and completed her DDS at Dalhousie University Faculty of Dentistry in Halifax, Nova Scotia in 1985. After working in private practice and teaching part-time at Dalhousie, she left Canada to study dental diagnostic sciences at Indiana University School of Dentistry.

“One of the pivotal moments of my life was deciding to go to Indiana. I had no idea at the time how important that decision would be,” Dean Murdoch-Kinch said. She completed her certificate in dental diagnostic sciences in 1991 and a PhD in Dental Sciences in 1996.

In the 30 years since she came to Indiana University, Dr. Murdoch-Kinch’s academic pursuits have included serving as associate professor with tenure at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry. She held several positions at the University of Michigan School of Dentistry from 2000-2019, including clinical professor in oral and maxillofacial surgery/hospital dentistry, associate dean for academic affairs, and the Dr. Walter Swartz Professor of Integrated Special Care Dentistry.

Dr. Murdoch-Kinch returned to the IU School of Dentistry in July 2019 to serve as the 10th dean of one of the largest public dental schools in the country and the first woman to hold the position.

“Becoming the school’s first dean who is a woman was not a specific goal for me. Yet, the feedback I’ve received is that a woman serving in this role at this time is important to a lot of people.”

Dr. Murdoch-Kinch is a diplomate of the American Board of Oral Medicine, the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, and the Fellowship of the Faculty of Dental Surgery in Oral Medicine of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

“Coming back to Indiana is like coming home. This is the place that made me who I am,” Dr. Murdoch-Kinch said. “I feel so fortunate to lead Indiana’s dental school and advance the school that did so much for me. We have enormous potential to do so much good not just in Indiana, but for the world. The legacy of an excellent dental school is believing we can change the world for the better, and then doing it.”
1865
American Civil War ends.

1879
Indiana Dental College
Founded
147 E. Market

1894
SW Delaware & Ohio

1899
Faculty Member
Dr. John Hurty
- Wrote the first comprehensive food and drug legislation to be enacted in the United States
- Begins to study the effect of fluorine on the hardness of enamel and notes the importance of this relationship

1906
Alumnus and Faculty
Dr. Howard Raper
- Developed the “bitewing” X-ray with Kodak
- Was the first person ever to become a “Professor of Dental Radiology”
- Wrote the world’s first textbook on oral radiology

1908
First Woman Lecturer
Dr. Alice Harvie Duden

1914
SW North & Meridian

1917
“Dents” win Indianapolis City Basketball Championship 23-21 over Butler.
1918
Dean Henshaw and other faculty members take a leave of absence to serve in WWI. Remaining faculty begin contract for Student Army Training Corps unit.

1920
SE Walnut & Pennsylvania Dental Program changes from 3 to 4 years; no commencement this year.

1925
Indiana University begins administration of dental education.

1933
IU Dentistry moves to current home at 1121 W. Michigan St.

1934
Omicron Kappa Upsilon national honor society forms the Theta Theta chapter at Indiana University School of Dentistry.

1935
College Inn restaurant opens. A small diner located steps from the Dental School’s front door begins a 40 year run as a fixture of student life. At one point the school’s PA system was extended to the diner so that students wouldn’t miss announcements while eating!
1936
Pediatric Dentistry Clinic established under direction of Dr. Drexell Boyd
The prior year the U.S. Public Health Service designated Indiana University as a research center for the study of dental diseases of children. The federal government equipped the children’s clinic with 15 modern dental units.

1938
First issue of IUSD Alumni Bulletin published
Dr. J.L. Wilson, editor

1941
Indiana section of the International Association for Dental Research is formed.

1947
IU Dentistry awards its first Master of Science in Dentistry degree.
Presented to orthodontist Dr. Morris Stoner

1941
First Graduating Dental Hygiene Class
Program established by Miss A. Rebekah Fisk

1948
First renovation of current building
• Excavation of a basement for locker rooms and library stacks
• Moving of library to the first floor
• Construction of postgraduate clinic on the third floor
• Installation of an elevator

1949
Indiana section of the International Association for Dental Research is formed.

1952
First renovation of current building
• Excavation of a basement for locker rooms and library stacks
• Moving of library to the first floor
• Construction of postgraduate clinic on the third floor
• Installation of an elevator

1955
Fluoride Toothpaste Invented
Beginning in the 1940s, studies by three IU researchers, headed by IU Dentistry’s Dr. Joseph Muhler, led to the discovery and subsequent patent of the first successful stannous fluoride formula, which became the decay-fighting agent in Procter & Gamble’s Crest toothpaste.

1962
First addition to Michigan Street building

1939-1945
World War II
To accommodate the war effort, IU Dentistry graduates two classes per year in 1942 & 1944
1968
Oral Health Research Institute founded

1969
Longtime IU Dentistry Dean Maynard K. Hine becomes the first Chancellor of the newly formed IUPUI.

1969
Ralph McDonald’s Dentistry for the Child and Adolescent first published
Now written by emeritus professor David Avery and IU professor Jeffrey Dean, this is the longest-published pediatric dentistry textbook in history.

1972
Second addition to Michigan Street Building
As part of the expansion, the Dental Assisting program begins.

2013
IU Dentistry’s Oral Health Research Institute teams up with U.S. Army to study the army’s new antiplaque chewing gum intended for use by soldiers in the field.

2015
Faculty Mythily Srinivasan earns IU Dentistry’s most recent research patent for her work identifying a peptide that reduces inflammation in patients with multiple sclerosis.

2018
James J. Fritts, DDS Clinical Care Center dedicated March 2018

2019
Dean Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch becomes IUSD’s first female dean

1991
IU Dentistry’s research laboratories collaborate with NASA on several mineralized tissue studies, involving multiple missions aboard the space shuttle Columbia.
INDIANA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

Indiana University School of Dentistry (IUSD) fosters an exceptional learning environment in which teaching, research, and community service converge to prepare future dental professionals. IUSD was founded in 1879 as the Indiana Dental College, with operational oversight assumed by Indiana University in 1925. IUSD is one of the oldest dental schools in the nation with more than 13,000 living alumni located across the United States and approximately 30 other countries. In March of 2018 IUSD dedicated its newest facility on the IUPUI campus – the 45,000-square-foot James J. Fritts, DDS Clinical Care Center – to continue our tradition of excellence in service and education into the future.

HAIL TO OLD IU WORDS BY J.T. GILES

Indiana’s official Alma Mater song, “Hail to Old IU,” was first performed on March 10, 1893, in Indianapolis. J.T. Giles, who organized the IU glee club, wrote the words to a Scottish song in order to give the Hoosiers a school song for a performance at a state contest. The song has been a mainstay at Indiana events since that day.

Come and join in song together,
Shout with might and main;
Our beloved Alma Mater,
Sound her praise again.
Gloriana Frangipana, E’er to her be true.
She’s the pride of Indiana,
Hail to Old IU!

THE OFFICIAL COLOR

A shade of lilac is the official color of dentistry. The color was chosen to trim dental schools’ graduation caps, gowns, and dental emblems.