Our Mission

The mission of the Texas A&M School of Dentistry Department of Orthodontics (http://dentistry.tamu.edu/orthodontics/)’s advanced education program is to graduate highly proficient, critical thinking, master’s degree level orthodontic specialists who can effectively serve the public in both community-based practice and an academic environment and are prepared to become life-long learners and leaders within the profession.

Our Objectives

• To provide the student with a well-balanced educational experience, integrating a strong foundation in the basic sciences and research with a diverse clinical experience.
• To graduate a specialist with highly refined analytical, clinical, critical thinking, and management skills that we believe are necessary to provide optimum orthodontic care for the public.

Our Philosophy

The philosophy of the Graduate Orthodontic Program at the School of Dentistry is to prepare students for clinical practice in the specialty of orthodontics. Critical thinking skills are developed through the intentional integration of mentored scientific research and extensive clinical training, culminating in both an MS in Oral Biology and a Specialty Certificate in Orthodontics. Our goal is to impart in-depth knowledge of the biological and mechanical principles governing the practice of orthodontics and to allow students to develop excellent proficiency in orthodontics while treating a wide variety of complex malocclusions using multiple techniques. This expertise will be accomplished utilizing a variety of philosophies of diagnosis and treatment from a diverse faculty of approximately 25 outstanding practitioners and educators.

Faculty

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Orthodontics
DDS, University of Missouri, 1973

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DMD, University of Florida, 2007

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Orthodontics
DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1984

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DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1986

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DDS, University of Texas Dental School, San Antonio, 1982
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PHD, São Paulo State University, Brazil, 2011
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DMD, Nova Southeastern University, 2006

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Orthodontics
DDS, Loyola University, Chicago, 1979

Certificates

- Orthodontics Certificate (http://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/colleges-schools-interdisciplinary/dentistry/orthodontics/orthodontics-certificate/)