



AAPD E-NEWS

AAPD E- News provides the latest information about AAPD's continuing education, new products/services and other news related to the AAPD and Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children: The Foundation of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry activities.

AAPD and HSHC Proudly Announce Five Scholarships for the Master Clinician Program

A switch from an office practice to an academic career may seem like a daunting challenge – it needn't be.

An academic career provides the practicing dentist a new opportunity to utilize their experiences in shaping the careers of the aspiring professional. Dentists that teach also have a greater opportunity to develop new techniques and innovations in care through research and scholarly activities and can also influence national dental education policies through service with the AAPD, ADA , ADEA, HRSA and NIDCR.

Other benefits of an academic career include improving access to oral health care through community service, mentoring of residents, full- or part-time employment with benefits and personal and professional growth.

The American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children: The Foundation of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry is pleased to announce five scholarships to be part of the AAPD inaugural class in the Pediatric Dentistry Master Clinician Program.

Selected candidates will attend the Academy for Academic Leadership's Institute for Teaching and Learning (ITL) in the Health Professions Program and will have the opportunity to attend the AAPD Comprehensive Review of Pediatric Dentistry course.

ITL scholars benefit from a hands-on experience with key teaching tasks such as evaluations, lecture presentation skills, test construction, small group learning and working with difficult students. Additionally, ITL scholars learn cognitive theory,

motivation strategies, learning styles, education best practices and a host of other skills. Sessions on research, finding an academic position, strategies for getting published and work-life issues are also offered.

The ITL program consists of six and a half days of learning experiences. This is divided into two phases that are conducted approximately two months apart. ITL scholars complete between-phase activities to reinforce and augment program content.

The ITL is planning to conduct two sessions during 2008 at either the University of Missouri - Kansas City School of Dentistry (Phase I - June 11-14, 2008; Phase II - September 19-21, 2008) or at the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill - School of Dentistry (Phase I - August 7-10, 2008; Phase II - October 31-November 2, 2008). AAPD Scholarship recipients will have the choice of attending either location. Applications must be received by the AAPD by March 1, 2008.

Further information on the Institute for Teaching and Learning, may be found at their website: <http://www.academicleaders.org>.

In addition to attendance at the ITL, AAPD Master Clinicians will be able to attend the Comprehensive Review of Pediatric Dentistry as part of the scholarship program.

If you're interested in applying for a scholarship through the AAPD and Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children, contact Scott Dalhouse at the AAPD (312) 337-2169 or by e-mail at sdalhouse@aapd.org.

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