DENTISTRY for LIFE
A campaign for the School of Dentistry

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA
FACULTY OF MEDICINE & DENTISTRY
School of Dentistry
We ask you to join us in creating a distinctive impact on the overall health of our communities by creating leaders, services and programs that:

- Respond to the challenges of today AND tomorrow
- Remove barriers for our patients
- Create innovative solutions to deliver patient care
- Advance the practice of dentistry and the delivery of patient care through research and innovation

We are more than dentistry; we don’t just drill and fill teeth, we are health care providers, educators, ambassadors, we are members of this community that can benefit from our expertise, experience and passion.
Boyle McCauley Dental Clinic

The School of Dentistry is presently exploring a partnership opportunity with the Boyle McCauley Foundation to increase access to oral health care among people living in poverty in the inner city of Edmonton.

Under the guidance of the School of Dentistry, the Dental Students Association operates the “SHINE” dental clinic within the Boyle McCauley Clinic on Saturdays. Volunteer proctors from the dental community provide supervision to students as they provide free dental treatment to inner city youth.

We are proposing the redevelopment of the Boyle McCauley dental clinic into a modern eight chair facility that will provide opportunities for dentistry and dental hygiene students to provide dental care under supervision, while allowing staff dentists to deliver care for patients who require treatment beyond the educational scope of the learners.

The estimated capital cost is $1.5 million. This includes leasehold improvements, equipment and instrumentation. The clinic will have capacity to provide dental care for approximately 900 patients per year.

Geriatric Oral Health

Oral health is not separate from general health, but maintaining oral health is difficult in old age. The Geriatric Oral Health Research Fund will provide support for geriatric oral health needs. Some examples include:

- Enhance the didactic and clinical geriatric components in existing curricula
- Raise awareness by educating the younger and older senior population, families, caregivers, dental professionals, other health and social professionals, government and the public.
- Develop innovative care delivery models for older adult oral health
- Create a professional program in geriatrics with an emphasis on seniors with special needs.

The Geriatric Oral Health Endowment Fund was established by the 1964 DDS alumni. The goal is to raise the endowment to $250,000. Based on present rate of return, the fund will generate approximately $7,500 per year for initiatives directed at improving oral health of seniors.

Access to Care Enhancement

The Access to Care fund provides support for the development and initiation of sustainable programs for provision of dental care for people living in poverty, new immigrants, indigenous peoples, people with chronic illness or disabilities, and people living in remote communities. Some examples include:

- Providing preventive care through community based outreach programs
- Raising awareness, health promotion and educational initiatives
- Building capacity through training of community partners
- Providing opportunities for students to participate in delivery of care

Our goal is to develop a $750,000 Access to Care Enhancement Fund to provide much needed financial support for the development and provision of sustainable care programs for vulnerable and underserved populations. Based on present rate of return, the fund will generate approximately $22,500 per year.

Student Global Missions

The Dental Students Association support two well-established local charity organizations (Dentistry for All and Kindness in Action) through annual fundraising initiatives.

These groups send self-funded dental teams on two-week trips to provide oral health care for groups of people in developing nations who would otherwise be unable to access care. The charity organizations partner with local agencies in target communities and provide instrumentation and sundry supplies. The volunteer groups who provide care are responsible for their own travel costs.

Our goal is to establish a $500,000 Dentistry Global Student Outreach Endowment Fund to support active student participation in global oral health initiatives. Based on present rate of return the fund would provide opportunity for 15 dental students to actively participate in global dental missions.
STUDENT SUPPORT & WELLBEING

Student Infrastructure

The Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada recognizes the need for dentistry and dental hygiene students to have suitable space for relaxation and informal interaction.

Presently, our students have access to the “Knowledge Commons” area in KAYE Edmonton Clinic, which is a space managed by University Libraries. This space is a designated library facility for all learners within the KAYE and is equipped with computer stations to access library resources. The space is underutilized for its intended purpose as library resources are now readily available to all students through their personal computers. The senior administration of the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry is highly supportive of transforming the Knowledge Commons space into a student lounge.

Our goal is to raise $350,000 to redevelop the present Knowledge Commons into a student lounge where learners can relax between patients and during lunch hours. It would also provide students with a safe environment for informal learning.

Student Bursaries

The cost of dental education has increased dramatically over the past 20 years. The current cost for tuition and kit rental over the DDS program is approximately $147,000 (not including cost of living expenses). High debt load not only results in significant stress, but it also creates a barrier for students from low socio-economic backgrounds.

Government student loan programs are not sufficient to cover program costs let alone living expenses. Students without family financial support are forced to take on significant debt.

Our goal is to develop a $750,000 Dentistry Student Bursary Endowment Fund. Based on present rate of return, this fund would provide bursary support of approximately $3,000 for eight students. The Bursary would be over and above the University of Alberta Bursary maximum of $8,000 per year bringing the total available funds to $11,000 for students.

Alternatively, should a donor wish to provide the full tuition for a dental student, a fund of $1,250,000 would generate approximately $37,500 or the annual tuition for one student.

Dr. MacDougall Bursary in Dentistry

The Dr. Douglas MacDougall Bursary in Dentistry recognizes the impact Dr. MacDougall had on the graduating class of 1948. Dr. MacDougall made a lasting impression that has resonated with his students decades after graduation. His guidance, support and role model as a teacher are the reasons this bursary was created in Dr. MacDougall’s honour.

The Class of 1948 invites you to join them in making a difference and setting up this bursary. The Class has a goal of raising $250,000 for this bursary.

NOTHING SHORT OF A MIRACLE

Scholarship support for Shahed Bayesteh allows him to give back to his community.

Shahed Bayesteh was only eight years old when he left the small Iranian town of Hesarak, Karaj, to start a new life in Canada. While on the plane, his mother taught him his first sentence in English: “Hello, my name is Shahed.” Now in his second year of dentistry at the University of Alberta, Shahed is excelling. His perseverance has earned him scholarships and afforded him the chance to give back. He is the recipient of the Herb Link Memorial Award.

Read his full story at ualberta.ca/school-of-dentistry
RESEARCH & INNOVATION

Oral Health Community Engagement

The Oral Health Community Engagement Fund supports peer reviewed research projects directed at improving oral health of vulnerable and underserved populations. Research projects eligible for funding from this donor investment may include, but are not limited to:

- Investigations designed to enhance the understanding of oral health issues in vulnerable and underserved groups
- Investigations designed to improve quality, equity, relevance and effectiveness of existing oral health care delivery programs
- Development, implementation and evaluation of new models for oral health care delivery for vulnerable and underserved groups
- Assessment of student engagement in “service learning” care delivery programs as an approach to develop leadership in social responsiveness to the oral health inequities, challenges and priority health care needs of vulnerable and underserved people

Our goal is to raise the total endowment to $1.5 million. Based on present market conditions, we anticipate that a $1,500,000 fund will generate approximately $45,000/year that will be available for project support.

Education Research/Scholarship Research

The Education Research/Scholarship Fund supports educational research to enhance the teaching process and learning outcomes. This includes both qualitative and quantitative studies that impact our various educational programs and student attainment of outcomes. Examples may include but are not limited to:

- Curriculum development, implementation and outcome assessment
- Teaching delivery development (including technology), implementation and outcome assessment
- Leadership development

The goal is to raise $500,000 toward an Education Research/Scholarship Endowment Fund. Based on present market conditions, we anticipate that a $500,000 fund will generate approximately $15,000/year that will be available for project support.

Oral Health Community Engagement
Clinical and Translational Oral Health Research

Clinical and Translational Oral Health research fund supports the vertical integration between the foundational, clinical and practice based research environments. The scope of activity is research involving human data and knowledge synthesis. Examples may include but are not limited to:

- Clinical trials
- Clinical research practice-based networks
- Evidence based dentistry and development of practice guidelines

The goal is to raise $1 million toward Clinical and Translational Oral Health Research Endowment Fund. Based on present market conditions, we anticipate that a $1,000,000 fund will generate approximately $30,000/year that will be available for project support.

Biomedical Oral/Maxillofacial Oral Health Research

Biomedical Oral/Maxillofacial Oral Health Research supports foundational oral health-related research. Examples may include but are not limited to:

- Investigation of oral inflammatory conditions in relation to systemic disease
- Investigation of craniofacial morphogenesis
- Investigation of dental materials and biomechanics
- Investigation of biologic interactions in the oral environment

The goal is to raise $1.0 million toward a Biomedical Oral Health Research Endowment Fund. Based on present market conditions, we anticipate that a $1,000,000 fund will generate approximately $30,000/year that will be available for project support.
We need your support

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