

AAO Foundation Award Final Report

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Institution	State University of New York at Buffalo
Summary/Abstract	<p>The 2006 academic year was my first year serving as a faculty in the Department of Orthodontics at the State University of New York at Buffalo. I found this experience to be a rewarding one as it allowed me to develop both my clinical skills as well as my didactic orthodontic knowledge. I directed a course in cephalometric analysis for the first year residents and another course dealing with clinical problems for the second year residents. I supervised the work of international scholars in our Department and developed customized syllabus for them based on their educational needs. I am supervising residents who are undertaking research to obtain their Masters degree in Orthodontics, while I am in the process of submitting a paper for publication in the Journal of Clinical Orthodontics.</p> <p>I participated in several community service events such as “give kids a smile” and I was hosted in a television program promoting the importance of orthodontic education, diagnosis and treatment.</p> <p>I was interviewed for a full time tenure track orthodontic faculty position and I am now awaiting the outcome of the selection process. At this stage my duties include: supervision in the clinics of the Department of Orthodontics, presenting seminars to the residents and assisting in the teaching of pre-doctoral in the Department of Orthodontics. It was a special pleasure for me to present the AAO Orthodontics Award for the student with the best performance in Orthodontics at this year’s graduation ceremony.</p> <p>I became Board Certified in December 2006. As part of my faculty development I attended the Tweed course presented in Arizona as well as several other professional courses (Tip-Edge Plus, lingual braces, and Bone Anchorage Devices).</p> <p>I am thankful to the Foundation for supporting my continued orthodontic education with the Faculty Development Fellowship Award. This award has assisted me in my efforts to be a good representative of our specialty at State University of New York at Buffalo and in our community.</p>

