Memo

To: IDS 2017 Students

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Subject: Human Teeth Collection and Storage for Preclinical Laboratory Courses

(ACTION REQUIRED)

Congratulations on your acceptance to the International Dental Studies Program at the University of the Pacific, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry.

This memo is your notification to begin collecting human teeth for the endodontics, cariology and restorative courses. Teeth collection is the responsibility of the student. Hopefully dentists in your local community will be able to assist you in collecting these teeth. All kinds of teeth will be used for practice sessions and are critiqued by the instructor(s). However, for classroom projects submitted for grading, the following teeth are required:

Endodontics

- 2 Maxillary Central Incisors
- 2 Maxillary Premolars with 2 Separate Roots
- 2 Mandibular First Molars
- 2 Maxillary First Molars

Cariology

- Multiple teeth (13) with varying stages of decay (from white spots to gross decay/cavities). Faculty will help you select the teeth. Collect as many as you can. Wisdom teeth are acceptable here.

Restorative

- Multiple teeth with and without decay. Faculty will help you select the teeth. Collect as many as you can.
  Per course director, third molars are usually not good teeth for laboratory projects.

Handling and Storage

Teeth should not be allowed to “bench-dry” but should be stored in a dilute Listerine solution. The liquid should be changed monthly with 50% fresh water and 50% original flavor (yellow) Listerine. Once you arrive at school, proper sterilization protocols will be given before use in the lab. No further notice will follow before the course begins in July.