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# White Coat Ceremony

*Bachelor of Science Dental Hygiene Class of 2022*  
*Doctor of Dental Surgery Class of 2023*

Friday, Sept. 17, 2021  
5:45 p.m.

University of Maryland, Baltimore  
Leadership Hall at MSTF  
685 West Baltimore Street  
Baltimore, Md.

## **Welcome**

Marvin H. Leventer, DDS '90  
Clinical Assistant Professor,  
Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Division of Pediatric Dentistry;  
Chair, Faculty Assembly

## **The Procession of the Dental Hygiene Class of 2022**

## **The Procession of the Doctor of Dental Surgery Class of 2023**

### **Greetings**

Mark A. Reynolds, DDS '86, PhD  
Dean and Professor

### **Guest Speakers**

Marc G. Nuger, DDS '79  
President, UMSOD Alumni Association Board of Directors

Chris Choi, DMD, MS, FACP  
Clinical Assistant Professor  
Co-Director, Predoctoral Prosthodontics  
Department of Advanced Oral Sciences and Therapeutics

### **Presentation of Coats**

*Dental Hygiene Class of 2022*  
Lauren Miller, President, BSDH Class of 2022

#### *Assisted by*

Suzanne K. Burgee, MSDH, RDH, BS '12, Clinical Instructor,  
Dental Hygiene Program  
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Dental Hygiene Division Chief  
MaryAnn T. Schneiderman, RDH, MS '05, Clinical Assistant Professor,  
Clinical Dental Hygiene Director, The Universities at Shady Grove  
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Director, Dental Hygiene Program

*Doctor of Dental Surgery Class of 2023*  
Wongelawit Tadesse, President, DDS Class of 2023

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Paul A. Brillhart, DDS '82, Clinical Assistant Professor,  
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Hanae Saito, DDS, MS, CRC ABP Diplomate, Clinical Associate Professor,  
Director, Predoctoral Periodontics

Kwan Sanit, DMD, Clinical Instructor, General Practice Director

### **Professional Oath**

Patricia E. Meehan, DDS '93, MS  
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Assistant Professor

### **Closing Remarks**

## **Dental Hygiene Class of 2022**

Alexa Arrington

Bianca Ascenzi

\*Paige Christensen

Cailin Gollubier

Melissa Harmel

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## Doctor of Dental Surgery Class of 2023

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Reyan Abdelmoniem	Alex Cain
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Eden Skopp	Meghan Zorc

## Marc G. Nuger, DDS '79



Marc G. Nuger, DDS '79, has practiced general dentistry in Glen Burnie and Columbia, Md., for more than 42 years.

Passionate about lifelong learning, Dr. Nuger, who earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, is a dental board-certified instructor of proper pharmacological prescribing, has been certified as an expert witness, and has taught dental assisting and radiology to dental assistants. He also offers instruction about the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability

Act (HIPAA) for the dental office with support from the Maryland Health Care Commission.

Dr. Nuger is a past president of the Anne Arundel County Dental Society and the Maryland State Dental Association, and currently is the president of the University of Maryland School of Dentistry's (UMSOD) Alumni Association Board of Directors. He is slated to serve on the American Dental Association's Commission for Continuing Education Provider Recognition and is a fellow of the American College of Dentists.

An Ellicott City resident, Dr. Nuger works with the Maryland Mission of Mercy; Anne Arundel County Gray Area Program; Maryland Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped; and the Maryland Healthy Smiles Dental Program, which provides oral health coverage for children.

Dr. Nuger's wife, Ann D. Nuger, RDH, earned her bachelor's degree from UMSOD in 1984, and his daughter, Caitlyn Nuger Gerald, earned her DDS at UMSOD in 2013. His son, Ben Nuger, is a software developer.



## Chris Choi, DMD, MS, FACP



Chris Choi, DMD, MS, FACP, is a clinical assistant professor and co-director of Predoctoral Prosthodontics in the Prosthodontics Division of the Department of Advanced Oral Sciences and Therapeutics at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry. He is involved in teaching predoctoral students in the preclinical and clinical settings as well as residents in the post graduate prosthodontic program. He received his dental degree from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and completed his prosthodontics residency program at UMSOD. He attained his board certification in 2017 and, in the following

year, became a Diplomate of American Board of Prosthodontics. He is a fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists and member of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics. His current interests include applying digital dentistry to patient care as well as to the dental school curriculum.

## **Professional Oath**

Upon being admitted to the profession of dentistry/dental hygiene, I pledge myself to the service of humanity — my patients, my community, and my colleagues. The health and well-being of my patients will be my first consideration: I will uphold the highest standards of care for my patients and hold in confidence all they entrust to me. I will promote the welfare of my community by speaking out against injustice and providing unbiased service to those in need. I will strive to merit the trust that society has placed in my profession, faithfully observe its principles of ethics and integrity, maintain the highest standards of personal and professional behavior, and encourage my colleagues to do the same. I am indebted to my teachers and I pledge to improve my skills through a commitment to continuous learning. I promise to maintain my own well-being and assist my colleagues to do the same. I take this oath freely and upon my honor.

## **Special Thanks to**

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