

## Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship

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## Program Description

The Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship at Erie County Medical Center in Buffalo, New York, is a CODA-accredited 12-month postgraduate certificate program devoted to maxillofacial prosthetics and dental oncology. The fellowship offers intensive training in intraoral and extraoral maxillofacial prosthetics and treatment of patients afflicted by various conditions including, but not limited to: head and neck cancer, congenital malformations, trauma-related deformities.

The primary goal of the Maxillofacial Prosthetic Fellowship is to prepare our graduates to provide the highest quality of maxillofacial prosthetic care by providing an appropriate clinical and didactic education in an environment conducive to learning. The clinical experiences are supported by a structured didactic seminar that encourages critical thinking appropriate to post graduate level education. This will build upon the foundation of knowledge that Fellows possess from their prosthodontic education and expand both the services they are capable of providing as well as the patient population they are capable of treating.

Erie County Medical Center's program is unique because it is a Level I Adult Trauma hospital with an ambulatory head and neck cancer service, allowing for ample experience in all facets of complex maxillofacial prosthetic rehabilitation. The program has dedicated staff and excellent rapport with other medical and surgical specialties. While the emphasis of the training is on clinical practice, the program also includes an extensive didactic program and research opportunities. Training is enhanced by a modern and well-equipped facility in the Center for Cancer Care. This is an outpatient clinic of Erie County Medical Center, which enables fellows to have close interactions with faculty, interns, and residents of other disciplines.

This Maxillofacial Fellowship has been planned in accordance with the guidelines for postdoctoral education of the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation. Upon completion of the program, the Fellow receives a certificate in maxillofacial prosthetics.

## Curriculum – Didactic & Clinical

Clinical training includes restoration of all forms of acquired oral and facial defects. The Fellow works closely with surgical disciplines in restoring a variety of defects including placement of craniofacial and endosseous implants, and insertion of immediate surgical obturators and surgical splints.

The didactic portion of this Fellowship focuses on the various phases of maxillofacial prosthetic rehabilitation and restoration of acquired maxillofacial defects. This includes training in oral diagnosis, radiation oncology, medical oncology, head and neck surgery, speech pathology, laboratory techniques, and anaplastology.

Clinical and basic science research is incorporated into the program with focus on the oral manifestations of cancer therapies and cancer diagnosis. The Fellow has the opportunity to join in ongoing departmental research or pursue a project focused on maxillofacial prosthetics during fellowship.

**Length of Program:** 1 year

**Number of positions:** 1

### Financial Arrangement

Fellow will be paid a salary at PGY-4 level along with robust benefit package.

## Admissions

To be eligible for the Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship, you must be a graduate of an accredited U.S. dental school, Canadian dental school, or international dental school that provides equivalent educational background and standing as determined by the program, and be eligible for licensure in New York State.

Supplemental requirements mandate that you have also graduated from an American Dental Association-accredited advanced education program in prosthodontics.

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## Application Process

One position is available on a competitive basis each year. Fellowship academic year begins in July. You must submit a completed application form and all required documentation by August 1st of the previous year.

### Required documents include:

- **Online Application Form**
- **Current Curriculum Vitae**
- **Copy of DDS or DMD diploma**
- **Dental school transcript**
- **Three letters of recommendation**
- **Color photograph**

Applicants considered for an appointment will be invited for a personal interview with the program director and selected faculty. Interviews are conducted in August or September each year.

If you are interested in the ECMC Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship, we encourage you to visit us prior to submission of your application.

### For application materials or questions regarding this Fellowship, please contact:

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*Director, Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship*  
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## Goals & Objectives – Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship

### GOAL 1:

To prepare a clinically competent maxillofacial prosthodontist who can provide the highest level of patient care.

### Objectives:

- The Fellow will provide a full range of maxillofacial prosthetic services to a variety of patients afflicted by various conditions including, but not limited to: head and neck cancer, congenital malformations, trauma-related deformities.
- The Fellow will have numerous opportunities to gain both prosthetic experience and surgical observation in the operating room.

### GOAL 2:

To prepare an educationally competent maxillofacial prosthodontist who can incorporate new ideas, techniques, and advances into his/her future practice and career.

### Objectives:

- The Fellow will use advanced knowledge in planning and executing treatment plans.
- The Fellow will incorporate knowledge of technology based information in patient care.
- The Fellow will develop critical thinking in treatment planning seminars and literature review that will allow for evidence based clinical decision making in patient care delivery.

### GOAL 3:

To develop a competent maxillofacial prosthodontist who can evaluate, design, and complete clinical research in the discipline of maxillofacial prosthetics and/or oral oncology.

### Objectives:

- The Fellow will participate in research design and data gathering for ongoing oral oncology research.
- The Fellow will treat patients with complex prosthetic needs with novel application of materials which warrant technique or case reports for the sharing of information among the specialty.

### GOAL 4:

To develop a maxillofacial prosthodontist who recognizes the oral health needs of their community and engages in community service for oral health surveillance.

### Objectives:

- The Fellow will promote the importance of daily oral care and maintenance.
- The Fellow will participate in community service events involving oral cancer screening.

### GOAL 5:

To graduate a maxillofacial prosthodontist with the ability to provide the highest clinical skills and knowledge in the field of maxillofacial prosthetics who can serve as a mentor and teacher to their peers and understudies.

### Objectives:

- The Fellow will give a lecture on maxillofacial prosthetics to ECMC GPR residents.
- The Fellow will oversee GPR residents one half-day/week in clinic.
- The Fellow will serve as a mentor to dental students and prosthodontics residents who present to ECMC for shadowing experience.