Research Opportunities

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Introduction

- The Office of Assistant Dean of Research (OADR) provides dental students with opportunities to be exposed to research courses and activities throughout their four years of dental school.
  - Research courses
  - Student Research Opportunities
  - Incentives for research
I. Research Courses: DMD Program

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II. DMD Student Research Opportunities

- UPR-SDM predoctoral dental students interested in pursuing an academic career are encouraged to conduct a mentored research project under the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Fellowship Program:
  - Students choose a clinical faculty member as mentor.
  - A research faculty is assigned as a consultant
  - Epidemiological and statistical guidance and support provided by the Biostatistics and Epidemiology Core.
II. DMD Student Research Opportunities

- The **Summer Research Program** is an experience recommended for qualifying sophomore dental students, conducted in Puerto Rico and abroad for a period of 6 to 10 weeks. Students receive elective credit towards graduation.

- Participating institutions: University of Iowa, University of Minnesota, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR).
II. DMD Student Research Opportunities

- Dental students are encouraged to participate in ongoing dental residents’ research projects at UPR-SDM:

- For details, contact AADR-NSRG president:

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III. Research Incentives

○ Used for research projects in PR and US.

○ Travel Funds awarded for project presentations:
  
  ■ Oral Presentations/Posters:
    
    ● SCADA, Hinman Student Research Symposium, Puerto Rico College of Dental Surgeons Annual Meeting (CCDPR), Postdoctoral and Doctoral Research Forum UPR-SDM, Annual Research and Education Forum UPR-MSC
    
    ● National Student Research Group (SRG):
      ○ AADR-NSRG meeting (President)