

Boston University Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine

ADVANCED STANDING DMD STUDENT RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Boston University Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine (GSDM) is committed to scientific scholarship in dental medicine. Student involvement in research plays a fundamental role in the mission of the School. Because of its ongoing contributions to new knowledge through biomedical research and education, GSDM has become a leader in oral health care.

When can AS students do research?

The School offers elective research opportunities to AS students starting the second semester of the first year. Students need to apply for research at least one month before their intended starting date. Students need to consider their availability for at least 4 hours per session, 12 hours per week, when applying for biomedical research. Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher in their didactic and clinical courses to be considered for research training.

Research environment at GSDM

The research facilities include modern biomedical core facilities and ample laboratory space and comprise:

- Department of Molecular and Cell Biology, Evans 4, 72 East Concord Street
- Department of Periodontology, 2nd floor 100 East Newton St and 3rd floor 650 Albany Street
- Center for Clinical Research and Center for Oral Diseases, 100 East Newton Street
- Center for Exocrine Disorders, Evans 4, 72 East Concord Street
- Departments of Endodontics, General Dentistry, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics, 100 East Newton Street
- Department of Health Policy and Health Services Research, 560 Harrison Avenue
- Department of Restorative Sciences/Biomaterials, 72 East Concord Street and 650 Albany Street

Benefits of participating in research

Student research at GSDM directly benefits individual students and the dental field at large. Through participation in research students:

- Become trained in the design and execution of scientific studies
- Enhance their analytical thinking abilities
- Bring breadth and depth to their dental education
- Have a better understanding of innovative dental techniques, materials, and tools
- Become a more informed dental clinician
- Contribute to the dental literature by publishing results
- Improve their eligibility for postgraduate specialty training programs and academic appointments

Obtain further information about student research

You may obtain information by visiting the website at <http://www.bu.edu/dental-research/student-research/predoctoral-research/> and complete [PRP – Information Document](#) or by visiting the Office of Research at 650 Albany Street, X-343E.

Interested students are also encouraged to participate in the School's Student Research Group (SRG), a local chapter of the American Association for Dental Research (AADR) Student Research Group. The School's SRG functions in supporting and enhancing research interests among students.

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