

2021 Virtual Dental Student Orientation

**EVENTS & SCHEDULE
20 -23 SEPTEMBER**

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Welcome Class of 2026, Department of Dentistry

This year, the School of Medicine's orientation program, which is designed for incoming first-year and transfer students, will be delivered virtually due to the continued need for social distancing in the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic. While we always look forward to meeting our Dental students on our beautiful EUC Campus, in our effort to ensure your safety during this uncertain period, we have created this virtual orientation that introduces you, our students and their families, to the EUC Medical School experience.

Student Orientation is an essential part of a successful transition to Medical School. Crossing the threshold of the Medical School, you are taking your initial steps into the profession. Student Orientation is foundational to your success as a Dental student at EUC and will provide you with information vital to your matriculation. The program will set the tone for your academic career and highlight expectations of you as a student, as well as give you the opportunity to connect with your fellow classmates. Dental Student Orientation culminates with the "White Coat Ceremony", where you will receive your first white coat and take your first step towards the responsibility of becoming a physician by reciting an oath dedicating yourself and pledging integrity in the study and practice of medicine or dentistry.

The School of Medicine Student Orientation and White Coat Ceremony celebrates an important milestone, and marks the beginning of your journey in your chosen profession and Lifelong Learning. The date of the White Coat Ceremony will be announced in the near future, with relevant details.

Please review the virtual orientation program that we have designed to prepare you for an exciting start in your dental studies. You will learn about our educational program, you will meet with your academic advisors, you will be prepared for online learning and assessment, among many other things, so that you are fully prepared for the fall semester.

A heartfelt welcome to all of you!!

Professor Elizabeth O. Johnson, Dean, School of Medicine

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021

14:00 TAKING CARE OF THE BASICS

Welcome Addresses

Professor Elizabeth Johnson, Dean
Professor Athanasios E. Athanasiou, Executive Dean, Department of Dentistry
Professor Theodoros Xanthos, Chair, Department of Medicine
Professor Georgios Palaghias, Chair, Department of Dentistry

General Information

- Student IDs
- How to create an email account
- Access to Blackboard
- International Students: Coming to Cyprus

Ms. Maria Zalti, Student Advisor
Mr. Iraklis Chrysanthou, Student Advisor
Ms. Christina Kolatsi, International Student Advisor

Student Health Services and Vaccination Requirements

Dr. Nikos Karpettas, Lecturer

15:00 DEVELOPING YOUR IDENTITY AS A DENTIST

Standards of Academic & Professional Conduct

Professor Theodoros Xanthos, Chair of Department of Medicine

Meet the Faculty and Staff of the Department of Dentistry

Virtual Tour of EUC

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

14:00 FOUNDATIONS OF STUDYING DENTISTRY AT EUC

The BDS Program Curriculum: Objectives and Goals

Professor George Palaghias, Chairperson, Department of Dentistry

Details of the Academic Schedule and Teams

Dr. Kostis Giannakopoulos, Assistant Professor of Operative Dentistry and Deputy Chairperson, Department of Dentistry

Blackboard and Independent Study Resources

Dr. Ilias Nikas, Lecturer

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2021

15:00 HEALTH & SAFETY

Current Guidelines, Travel
Dr. Constantinos Tsioutis, Assistant Professor

Basic Protection Measures, Distancing Measures
Dr. Kostantinos Ekmektzoglou, Lecturer

Best Safety Practices as Medical Student
Dr. Zoi Pana, Lecturer

**Understanding Your Role as Future Clinicians
in Infectious Disease Outbreaks**
Professor Theoklis Zaoutis

16:30 STUDENT SUPPORT

**The Importance of Your GPA & Academic Support Services:
Academic Advisors & Clinical Advisors**
Professor Elizabeth Johnson, Dean

Team Based Learning in Medical Education
Professor Theodoros Xanthos, Chair

Study Skills for Theoretical & Practical Courses
Dr. Iva Tzvetanova, Lecturer
Dr. Diamantis Michalinos, Lecturer

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2021

14:00 PROCEDURES FOR REMOTE LEARNING & ASSESSMENT

Online learning: Theoretical Sessions: How it is Done
Dr. Dimitrios Ntourakis, Vice Chair, Assistant Professor

Mock Online Learning Theoretical Session
Professor Theodoros Xanthos, Chair

Online Learning: Practical Sessions: How it is Done
Dr. Dimitrios Ntourakis, Vice Chair, Assistant Professor

Mock Online Learning Practical Session
Dr. Ilias Nikas, Lecturer

Online Assessment: How it is Done
Dr. Dimitrios Ntourakis, Vice Chair, Assistant Professor

Mock Online Assessment Session
Professor Theodoros Xanthos, Chair
Dr. Dimitrios Ntourakis, Vice Chair, Assistant Professor

Closing Remarks
Professor Elizabeth Johnson, Dean

Virtual White Coat Ceremony

DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

Commencement: The White Coat Ceremony

The White Coat Ceremony is a rite of passage for each entering class. This annual tradition of the EUC Medical School marks the entrance of the matriculating class of students into the Dental profession. It marks an important milestone in your career, and is shared with family, friends and colleagues. Students receive their White Coat and recite an oath, pledging dedication to the ethics and standards of learning Dentistry. Students are cloaked in their first white coat as a symbol of the trust being bestowed upon them to carry on the noble tradition of doctoring.