

# SDM Shout Out

Weekly News Updates for SDM Faculty, Staff and Students

## UB School of Dental Medicine Honors Staff with Appreciation Events during the Month of March



We are so grateful to all our SDM staff!

You are **AMAZING**  
You are **TALENTED**  
You are **IMPORTANT**  
You are **THOUGHTFUL**  
You are **CONSISTENT**  
You are **FUN**

**YOU MAKE US BETTER!**  
**Thank you for all that you do!**

 University at Buffalo  
Office of Equity, Diversity  
and Inclusion  
School of Dental Medicine

In early March, SDM's Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion hosted a Staff Appreciation Luncheon. SDM staff were given a delicious lunch and small gifts of appreciation. The luncheon was held in the Ruchlin Room, located in Squire Hall, UB's South Campus.

The well attended event was a great opportunity for Dr. Thikriat Al-Jewair, Assistant Dean, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, to thank staff for their hard work and contributions to the success of the school.

"Our staff inspire us every day and we thank them for their hard work and support of SDM's mission and daily operations. The talent they bring to the table is key to our success," stated Dr. Al-Jewair. "They will always be appreciated and valued."

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## Dental Assistants Recognition Week™

Dental Assistants Recognition Week™ (also known as DARW) is held the first full week in March every year. **March 6-12, 2022** has been designated by the American Dental Assistants Association as the perfect time to acknowledge and recognize the versatile, multi-talented members of the school's dental team.

A week long celebration was held. SDM's Dental Assistants were given small tokens of appreciation each day and a end of the week luncheon, where Interim Dean Stefan Ruhl thanked everyone for their hard work and dedication.

The theme for 2022 is **Dental Assistants: Passionate About Our Patients, Dedicated to Our Profession** and acknowledges the growing importance of dentistry's role in health care and the responsibilities of dental assistants. Dental assistants are a key part of the SDM's educational experience, not only strengthening the entire practice and enhancing patient satisfaction, but also helping to guide and train students on a daily basis.

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