Dear Dhanya,

I hope that the start of 2023 finds you well, and that the winter doldrums haven’t set in quite yet! Those of us in the Northeast could definitely use a bit more sunshine, but I hope that you are bringing your own positivity and light to wherever you find yourself.

Hard to believe that we are getting ready for another Match Day for the class of 2023, taking place on March 17. See below for more details!

A big thank you to those of you who expressed interest in our Curriculum Renewal initiative - this is underway and we appreciate your engagement. If you are looking for other ways to get involved, we have a mentoring opportunity for third year students, and are always looking for alumni to speak to our fourth year students over the summer. Please see below for more details, or email me directly to be in touch!

And now that most events are back in person, the school has been busy with exhibits and symposiums. While the school remains COVID-conscious, having students, the Northwell community, and school administrators back nearly full-time in the building has been a welcome change. See below for some recent highlights.

Stay tuned for a summer date for our alumni gathering, as well as in the fall for our Class of 2018 reunion! I look forward to seeing many of you there! You can always reach me at SOMAlumni@hofstra.edu, or use the online form to submit any items of interest! I look forward to keeping in touch, and take care.

All the best,

Anne Dalgish Koestner  
Director of Development and Alumni Affairs

Alumni News:
Holiday Alumni Party 2022!

We kicked off the holidays with an alumni get together at Stout NYC - while I didn't get photos of everyone, we had a great time catching up and spreading some holiday cheer! Here's hoping this will be a great tradition moving forward!

Alumni Classnotes:

Class of 2015:
- Samantha Ruff started a dual fellowship in surgical oncology and hepatopancreatobiliary surgery at The Ohio State University in August.

Class of 2016:
- Jeffrey Goldstein recently accepted a position as a spine specialist at Orlin & Cohen Orthopedic Group.
- Reshmi Kapoor recently opened a solo dermatology practice in Greenpoint, Brooklyn, you can read more about it here!

Class of 2017:
- Sharland Johnson accepted a position as Associate Program Director in the emergency medicine department at NYU. She and William Patten married in November in Jamaica with family and some ZSOM friends in attendance, see below for some great photos.

Class of 2020
- Brian Dulmovits matched at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia for a fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine starting in July 2023.
Class of 2021

- Danielle Soberman recently married Jacob Miller-Sobel, see some beautiful photos below.

![Wedding Photos](image)

Class of 2022

- Madeline Abrams recently published an article in Academic Medicine on a comparison of the multiple mini-interview and the traditional interview for medical school admissions, you can read the article [here](#).

Student News:

- **ZSOM Students need YOU!** If you are interested in serving as a mentor for third year students, or have suggestions about amazing faculty members you viewed as mentors during your time at the medical school, please let us know! You can fill out [this form](#) and our students will be in touch!
- Match Day will be held on March 17th, in person at the Zucker School of Medicine. If you are interested in attending please RSVP using the invite [here](#).
- ZSOM students recently had the opportunity to participate in Opioid Epidemic Themed Week, gaining over 20 hours of patient-centered substance use education, emphasizing humanism and compassion. You can read more about the week [here](#).
- Hofstra’s Day of Giving will take place next Tuesday, February 7th, with the medical school’s campaign supporting the med school scholarship fund. You can learn more [here](#), and be on the lookout for social media posts in coming days.

Faculty News:

- As some of you may have heard, our Associate Dean for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and Professional Development, Dr. Catherine Bangeranye, was recently diagnosed with cancer and underwent surgery early in January. She is recovering well - I’m happy to send any well wishes her way.
- Our Curriculum Renewal: Courage to Change initiative is underway, with an ongoing speaker series and group work. You can read more about it [here](#).
- Structural Sciences Instructor Shannon Knutson’s instructional video series *Structure in Seconds* is getting lots of views - you can check it out on our social media or our YouTube channel [here](#).

**Click here for the Alumni website**

**Update contact info or send us news here**

What would you like to hear more about? Please email me at SOMAlumni@hofstra.edu with updates, suggestions, and requests, and don't forget to check out our [Alumni website](#) for more information!
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