ZSOM Alumni Newsletter
Spring 2024

Dear Dhanya,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and that you are enjoying the beauty that Spring has to offer! We hope you are staying healthy and taking some time for yourself amid the hustle and bustle of daily life.

Match Day 2024 was filled with excitement, as we were thrilled to see our MS4 students' hard work pay off (more below)! We hope you are as excited as we are to witness the 2024 commencement for our current graduating class! Commencement is right around the corner on May 13, and if you would like to join in through our virtual livestream, please see below for the link.

We also will be hosting our perennial favorite alumni social event in July at the Brooklyn Brewery, so please be on the lookout for an invite to join! As usual, please keep those updates coming in, and share your news - you can always email me at SOMAlumni@hofstra.edu, or use the online form to drop a quick line or send me a photo at 646-209-1859! I hope to hear from you soon!

All the best,

Anne Dalgish Koestner
Director of Development and Alumni Affairs

Alumni News:

Boston Alumni Get-Together!

It was great to see some of our alumni in the Boston area in early April. A fun time was had by all, and it was wonderful to catch up and hear about everyone's experiences and successes! Please be on the lookout for future get-togethers in your area to connect with fellow alumni!
**ZSOM Summer Social!**

We hope you can attend our summer social event happening at the Brooklyn Brewery this Saturday, July 20th, from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Come out and spend some time with your fellow ZSOM alumni while enjoying some drinks and snacks! This is a great opportunity to catch up and network with one another - be sure to RSVP to somalumni@hofstra.edu and look for reminders as the date gets closer!

![ZSOM Summer Social](image)

**Interested In Giving Back and Supporting Our Current Students?**

**Check Out This New Teaching Opportunity!**

*From Drs. Joe Weiner and Taranjeet Ahuja:*

Dear Zucker School of Medicine Alumni,

You're among a rare group of medical school graduates who have gone through extensive communication training. We'd like to offer you the opportunity to take your training to the next level by helping facilitate teaching MS-1s in communication
during CPR the same way you were trained. We think our students would be thrilled
to have you train them. (The circle of life!)
We have three spots open to facilitate the 7-week CPR communication skills course
and we thought it would be great to offer this to our own graduates. The 2024
commitment would be:

**Weeks 1-6**
August 7, 14, 21, 28, September 4 & 11) Pre-meeting 12:30-1:30, Class 1:30-3:30.
**Week 7 at CLI**
EITHER
Wednesday 9/18 Pre-meeting from 11:30-12:30 and student coaching from 12:30-
4:30pm
OR
Thursday 9/19 Pre-meeting from 12:45-1:45pm and student coaching from 1:45pm-
5:00pm.

We can work with your schedule if you need to miss 1-2 sessions.
If you're interested, please feel free to email us at:
**josephweinermd@gmail.com** & **taranjeet.ahuja@hofstra.edu**

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**2024 Zucker School of Medicine Commencement Information**

The Donald & Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell will be
hosting its 10th commencement ceremony on Monday, May 13, 2024, at 2:00 pm.
This is a very special time for our 2024 graduates as they take a step closer to their
bright future ahead! If you would like to join us virtually in attending our 2024
commencement, please click the link **here** to join the live stream.

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**Alumni Spotlight!**

We are starting a new social media initiative, highlighting accomplishments and
stories about our alumni on our website, social media, and internal publications.

If you are interested in being profiled, please use **this link** to answer a few short
questions! We'd love to showcase what our alumni are up to!
White Coats, Bright Futures - Alumni Spotlight!

See below for our inaugural edition, and click here for more!

White Coats, Bright Futures

Reshmi Kapoor, MD
Class of 2016

“My fondest memory is matriculating as the inaugural class in 2011 and experiencing the school and all it had to offer with my small cohort of 40 classmates. Paving the way was a one-of-a-kind experience :).”

Curriculum Renewal: Macrostructure Input Needed!

After two years of exploration and feedback from students, faculty, staff, and alumni, a proposed macrostructure is available for your feedback! A macrostructure is a visual representation for the refreshed curriculum and shows how a student would move through the curriculum. Review the proposed macrostructure and description and rate if the design meets the goal and objectives that were defined in Phase I of renewal. You can also, click here to listen to Dr. Ginzburg, Dean for Education break down the proposal.

Alumni Classnotes:

Class of 2018:

- Timothy Khowong has been promoted to Research Director and Medical Education Fellowship Director at New York Presbyterian/Columbia.
- Clancy Mullan was named 2024 Surgeon Scientist Training Program Scholar for the Yale Department of Surgery. You can read more about his accomplishment here.

Class of 2019:

- Brian Emmert participated in the sixth-annual Long Island Brain Bee competition held here at the Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell. Brian did a phenomenal job in showing high school students MRIs and CT scans of brains that have experienced trauma, strokes, and tumors. Participating students had the opportunity to guess which brains were worse and suffered as a result of the diseases/conditions presented. You can read the coverage here.
**Class of 2022:**
- Maddie Abrams was selected as chief resident for 2025-2026 at New York Presbyterian/Columbia's Department of Internal Medicine.
- Aaron Goldstein was selected as chief for 2025-2026 at Northwell's Department of Internal Medicine.
- Matthew Siano was selected as chief resident for 2025-2026 at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai's Department of Internal Medicine.
- Aaron Tabibzadeh was selected as chief resident for 2025-2026 at New York University Grossman School of Medicine's Department of Internal Medicine.
- Alexis Eleni Tchaconas graduated from residency in July of 2023 and is pursuing fellowship in Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics at Northwell.

**Student News:**

- **Match Day 2024** was a success! Congratulations to all of the students who will be embarking on the new phase of their medical training journey! Click the link below to read more about our student's success on Match Day [here](#).

- Second year medical students, Adrian Chen and Nandan Vithlani, secured third place at the renowned Hofstra-Digital Remedy Venture Challenge for their business idea, SurgID. These students made an impression on the panel of judges with their innovative
business concept SurgID. Their concept is a transformative post-surgery healthcare application that has the ability to revamp post-operative care. You can read more about their success at the Digital Remedy Venture Challenge here.

ZSOM Alumni Office News:

- As of February 2024, we have welcomed Emily Ramprasad as the new Coordinator of Development and Alumni Affairs. She is very excited to be a part of the team and witness the successes and accomplishments our amazing alumni of the ZSOM pursue. Furthermore, she is most excited to see the legacy and impact our alumni leave behind for our current students. You can read more about Emily here.

Faculty News:

- Tochi Iroku-Malize, MD, professor of Family Medicine published a panel discussion that addresses the current measles resurgence. You can read more on this coverage here.

- John Kane, MD, professor of Molecular Medicine and Psychiatry and other researchers recently published an article highlighting MapLight Therapeutics, and the significant contribution it has made in the field of improving the lives of individuals battling complex neurological disorders such as Schizophrenia and Alzheimer's Disease Psychosis. You can read the full article here.

- Northwell has started a new Northwell Alumni Network, connecting former employees with each other and with the health system. If you are interested in joining, you will get access to job opportunities, programs, communications, and more. You can click here to sign up, or contact me with any questions you may have.

- Northwell's Office of Physician Recruitment is also available to you with career opportunities - you can learn more at their website here, or reach out to them directly 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 connect with us through Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and our LinkedIn group!
As a community member of the Zucker School of Medicine, you should **not unsubscribe** from this distribution list; doing so will remove you from all ZSOM communications, including announcements, event invitations, notices and more from the School of Medicine.

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