

The Wisdom Tooth

The Office of Education's Newsletter

And the Winner is...

The Office of Education thanks everyone who sent in entries in the newsletter naming contest, and we have a winner. Thanks to Dr. Marc Gale for the winning newsletter name, *The Wisdom Tooth*. Thank you, Dr. Gale.

Are you Ready to Graduate?

Seniors on graduation's threshold have many questions running through their heads. What are the deadlines? How do I sign up for boards? Where can I get a check list of what I need to graduate?

Never fear! All of these and many more questions have been answered for you in the "**Frequently Asked Questions about Expectations for 2012 Graduation**" located in the ECO's senior dental forum, [link](#).

GATORRATER

Online Faculty Evaluations

It's almost that time of year again. UF says to encourage student participation, faculty can:

1. Encourage students to complete faculty evaluations throughout the course by emphasizing data's importance.
2. Allow "early" final grade release after a percentage of the class have completed the evaluations (the UF recommended minimum of responses for 2011-12 is 50%).
3. Give students time in class to complete evaluations using their laptops, smartphones or other electronic devices.

NOTE: The UF Faculty Evaluation online policy does not allow offering student incentives such as extra points or extra credit.

For more information about GatorRater: <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/info/>

Smart Podiums at UFCD

Rooms D3-3, D8-11, D8-46, D7-35 and D3-39A now all are equipped with Smart podiums. Smart podiums allow the speaker to make the lecture more interactive by making notes on power point presentations, actively showing students materials on the web, such as where to find links for faculty and course evaluations on ECO. Tutorials for Smart podiums can be found on the Instructional Support web page, [link](#).

Welcome, Brandon Telg!



Brandon Telg is the most recent staff addition to the Office of Education. He comes to us with a Bachelor of Arts from UCF. He works with Jennifer Rich to support faculty in using video conferencing, classroom computers and AV, Turning point, Mediasite and instructional videos. You can email him for assistance at DN-Inst-Support@dental.ufl.edu

Fun Fact:

*Last summer he was the stage manager to the prestigious Cirque Du Soleil: La Nouba.

Upcoming Dates:

Bicuspid Ball- March 23
Spring Synergy - March 30
Graduation Commencement
- May 18