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Meet Our Newest Faculty Members

Zafer C. Cehreli, DDS, PhD, professor of pediatric dentistry, joined our faculty this past March. A native of



Turkey, he received his DDS from Hacettepe University Faculty of Dentistry in Ankara. From the same university he earned a PhD and a certificate and masters of science in pediatric dentistry. From 1998 until 2018, he was a member of the Hacettepe University Faculty of Dentistry Department of Pediatric Dentistry. As the author of over 120 articles in professional journals, Dr. Cehreli brings

extensive research and publication experience to LSUSD. He has been active in the International Association of Dental Traumatology, currently serving as chair of the Education Committee. For over ten years he served as an executive editor of *Head and Face Medicine*, an open access journal. He also serves on the editorial boards or as reviewer for other peer-reviewed dental and scientific journals.

John J. Frazier, DMD, MSPH, MS, is clinical assistant professor of oral and maxillofacial radiology in the

Department of Diagnostic Sciences. Prior to dental school, he worked as an engineer in the field of nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy. He received his DMD from the Medical University of South Carolina and practiced as a general dentist for several years. He has attained master's degrees in biostatistics and biomedical informatics and has completed residencies and certificates in oral and



maxillofacial pathology at New York Hospital Queens and oral and maxillofacial radiology at Texas A&M University School of Dentistry (formerly Baylor) He is a fellow of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, a diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, and a member of the Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology.

A.C. Liles III, DDS, has already completed an academic year on our faculty. A graduate of the LSUSD class of 1992, he served as class president. He also received a certificate in Advanced Education in General Dentistry from this school in 1993. For many years he has served LSUSD as part-time clinical instructor while maintaining a private practice in

Kenner. An assistant professor in the Department of Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials, Section of



Clinical Comprehensive and Operative Dentistry, Dr. Liles is co-director of the third-year operative dentistry course. He has been active in NODA and the New Orleans Dental Conference.

Mark Odom, DDS, assistant professor in the Department of Endodontics, received both his DDS and certificate in endodontics from LSUSD. From 1986-2017 he was a part-time member of the

endodontics faculty at the University of North Carolina

School of Dentistry while maintaining a private practice in endodontics in Cary, North Carolina. After returning to New Orleans last year, Dr. Odom became a gratis faculty member in Endodontics, working with DDS and advanced education students. He is currently director of the senior endodontics course. Throughout his career, Dr. Odom has been an active member of the American Association of



Endodontists. He is married to Dr. Karen Bruggers, chair of our Department of Prosthodontics.

Jeanne St. Germain, RDH, BS, has recently joined the Department of Periodontics as instructor. She previously served in the same position from 1997-2005. A graduate of



the LSUSD dental hygiene program, she has worked in private practice in the New Orleans area. With Dr. Ray Yukna and Suzanne Farrar, she co-authored a chapter in the 2001 dental hygiene textbook, Comprehensive Periodontics for the Dental Hygienist.

Jeanne has been involved in state and local dental hygiene associations as well as in outreach events such as Special

Olympics Special Smiles. She teaches in the periodontics advanced education clinical instrumentation course and in the clinic with DDS students.