

Endodontic Current Literature Review

Course Syllabus

Course Name & Number: Endodontic Current Literature Review, ENDO 6075 / 6076/6077

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Goals and Objectives: The goal of this course is to help residents form the scientific foundation necessary for understanding the biology of the various processes related to Endodontics, and to formulate the critical analytical skills necessary to evaluate current scientific literature in order to guide in the evidence-based clinical decision-making. Each resident will be assigned specific articles for review at the discretion of the course director. Written abstracts of these articles will be prepared and orally presented by the resident to the class. It is highly encouraged that a section entitled: "Discussion" is present in the abstract in which the resident will succinctly evaluate the presented study in the light of the present scientific literature.

Method of Evaluating the Student: Class attendance, quality of written abstracts and participation during discussions related to the current literature reviewed is extremely important to this course and will be taken into the consideration of the student's evaluation.

Grading Policy: Grades will be determined by the overall class attendance, quality of written abstracts and participation during discussions. Letter grades will be given based on a grading scale of 90-100 = A; 80-89 = B; 70-79 = C; 65-69 = D; 0-64 = F.

Attendance Policy: Attendance at all course sessions is expected. Absence is excused in cases of illness, family emergencies or unforeseen events. It is the resident's responsibility to readily inform the Residency Program Director and Course Director of such events.

Missed Examination Policy: Self-examination quizzes will be given at the discretion of the Course Director. These quizzes will not be graded and only have the intent to stimulate discussion, self-examination and literature update.

Remediation: For remediation of the Current Literature Review Course, the student will review areas of deficiency as well as any other assigned pertinent material. The resident will present his/her abstract presentation at the next class meeting of Endodontic Current Literature Review.

List of Each Session's Title: No specific title is available for this course.

Required and Recommended Textbooks: There are no required or recommended textbooks for this course. Articles for review will be assigned by the Course Director and the articles are available on-line or from the Endodontic Library.