Welcome, Marc Turchin!

Marc Turchin is the most recent staff addition to the Office of Education. He comes to us from Los Angeles with a Bachelor’s from UCF. He will be supporting faculty with video conferencing, classroom computers, AV, TurningPoint, Mediasite and instructional videos. He also supervises Robert Witt and Claudia Sanchez and can be reached at mturchin@dental.ufl.edu, 273-6589, office D8-51.

ExamSoft / SofTest

The Class of 2018 just completed their first semester using ExamSoft/SofTest for their high stakes exams. This new software gives us more flexibility in exam scheduling than we currently have in the testing center, allowing better scheduling of student exams. ExamSoft’s testing software, SofTest, is not dependent on an internet connection while testing; which allows it to be used almost anywhere a laptop can be used. More information regarding ExamSoft/SofTest procedures and protocol can be found at: http://dental.ufl.edu/education/dmd-program/examsoft-procedures/

Qualtrics Course Evaluations

Since the summer 2014 semester, we have been using Qualtrics software for student course evaluations. Our previous course evaluation system, Evalsuite Toolkit, is being retired. Evalsuite Toolkit and Qualtrics evaluations will be available to course directors in their ECO documents section. If you have any questions about course evaluations, Qualtrics and/or Evalsuite Toolkit please contact Gail Childs or Christina Haskins at the Office of Education, 273-5950.

Faculty Development Week: Case-Based Learning

During 2014’s Fall Break Week, seven faculty from UF’s College of Dentistry participated in the college’s third small group, case-based learning session. These sessions were again led by Margie Beiswanger and Dr. Lawrence Garetto from Indiana University. UFCD faculty trained were: Drs. Charles Widmer, Scott Tomar, Deborah Dilbone, Katherine Neiva, Saulo Geraldeli, Donald Cohen and Gill Diamond. Faculty will use this training to facilitate student small group, case-based learning. This faculty development opportunity was supported by the HRSA faculty development grant.

CODA - New Site Visit Dates

The CODA accreditation site visit dates have changed. I know, I can hear you say, “No, say it isn’t so,” but indeed, they have been revised. Faculty and staff, please amend your calendars to reflect the new dates Sept. 29 – Oct. 1, 2015.