

**Ruth E. Conn, R.D.H., M.S.D.H.**

**NAME:** Ruth E. Conn, R.D.H., M.S.D.H

**PRESENT TITLE:** Assistant Professor, Department of Periodontics and Dental Hygiene (1 FTE)

**WORK ADDRESS:** Department of Periodontics and Dental Hygiene  
The University of Texas School of Dentistry at Houston  
7500 Cambridge Street, Suite 6470  
Houston, Texas 77054

**CITIZENSHIP:** USA

**UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION:**

2011 *Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene*, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, Dental Branch, School of Dental Hygiene

1978 *Certificate in Dental Hygiene*, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, Dental Branch, School of Dental Hygiene

1974-1976 Pre-dental studies, Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, Texas

**GRADUATE EDUCATION:**

2015 *Master of Science in Dental Hygiene*, The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY AT HOUSTON**

2016 - Present: Clinic Facilitator  
2015 - Present: Second Year Clinic Coordinator  
2015 - Present: Assistant Professor  
2012 - 2015: Clinical Assistant Professor

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2012-2015: Part-time adjunct continuing education instructor

**OTHER EMPLOYMENT:**

2008-2012 Wild Smiles Dental Center, Houston, Texas, Full time RDH  
1988-2008 Tom M. Robertson, D.D.S., Houston, Texas, Full time RDH  
1986-1988 George J. McClure, D.D.S., Pasadena, Texas, Part-time RDH  
1979-1985 Charles E. Hand, D.D.S., Houston, Texas, Full and part-time RDH  
1978-1979 Jack Walker, D.D.S., Pasadena, Texas, Part-time RDH  
1973-1974 W. Bonham Magness, D.D.S., Houston, Texas  
Part-time orthodontic assistant

**LICENSURE:** Texas License No. 3401- Registered Dental Hygienist, 1978

**CERTIFICATIONS:** Nitrous Oxide Monitoring, Pit and Fissure Sealant

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:**

**NATIONAL:**

American Dental Hygienists' Association

2013 – 2015 Student co-advisor to Student Chapter of American Dental Hygienists' Association

2015 – Present: Student advisor to Student Chapter of American Dental Hygienists' Association

American Dental Educators' Association

Sigma Phi Alpha Dental Hygiene Honor Society

National Dental Practice Based Research Network

**STATE:**

Texas Dental Hygienists' Association

2017 Delegate from GHDHA to TDHA Annual Session

2016 Delegate from GHDHA to TDHA Annual Session

2013 Delegate from GHDHA to TDHA Annual Session

Texas Dental Hygiene Educators' Association

2015 Annual Session Table Clinic Judge

2014 Annual Session Table Clinic Judge

**LOCAL:**

Greater Houston Dental Hygienists' Association  
2015 - 2016 **Secretary**  
2014 - 2015 **Secretary**

**HONORS AND AWARDS:**

2017 Greater Houston Dental Hygienists' Association  
Esther Wilkins Award sponsored by Proctor & Gamble  
2016 Lorna J. Bruning Award for outstanding teaching – UT School of  
Dentistry  
2015 American Dental Hygienists' Association, Institute of Oral Health,  
Sigma Phi Alpha Graduate Scholarship (\$1000)  
2015 Texas Dental Hygiene Educators' Association Graduate Student  
Scholarship (\$1000)  
2011 Sigma Phi Alpha Dental Hygiene Honor Society inductee

**COMMITTEES:**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY AT HOUSTON**

2016-2017: Search Committee for Associate Dean for Professional  
Development  
2016-2017: Clinical Teaching Model Task Force  
2015 - Present: Clinical Affairs Committee  
2015 - Present: Group Practice Director, First Attending, Second Attending,  
Dental Hygiene Faculty Committee  
2012 - Present: Dental Hygiene Admissions and Curriculum Committee

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

March 2017 Bay Area DHA Sealant Day, 4 hours, Hope Clinic, Alvin,  
Texas, supervised students  
December 2014 Ibn Sina Foundation Health Fair, 3 hours, supervised  
students  
February 2013 Give Kids a Smile, 4 hours, UTSD, supervised students

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April 2012	Spring Eggstravaganza - Burnet Bayland Park – dental screenings, information booth, participant
2008-2012	Colgate Van –health screenings - various places and times, participant
2008-2012	Oral health presentations to parents and children – various times and places – sponsored by Wild Smiles Dental Center, participant
2009	Sylvan Rodriquez Elementary – dental screenings, participant
2009-2011	Anderson Elementary Career Day - dental career presentation, participant
October 2006	Epiphany Lutheran Church Health Fair – Oral health booth, organizer
1994-1997	Girl Scout Troops – annual dental career presentations, organizer

**FACULTY MENTOR:**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY AT HOUSTON**

2016 – Present: Deborah Vayon, RDH, MS  
Department of Periodontics and Dental Hygiene

**STUDENT ADVISING:**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY AT HOUSTON**

Class of 2019: Oluwatoyin Aweda  
Jasmine Ayala  
Alysha Bhani  
Thuy-Kieu Thi Bui  
Katherine Burk

Class of 2018: Cristal Aldana- Lopez  
Michelle Anderson  
Ghida Ayubi  
Lauren Bassett

Shelby Burdoin  
Guadalupe Carranza

Class of 2017: Gabrielle Alis  
Lisa Ambriz  
Hannah Bennett  
Amanda Brown  
Melissa Butler

Class of 2016: Nazia Ali  
Jasper Axelrad  
Abegail Bandayrel  
Haley Clanahan  
Elizabeth Coronado

Class of 2015: Idania Alfonso-Molina  
Daniell Brown  
Annam Butt  
Brandy Cao  
Diana Carrillo

Class of 2014: Shamsha Ali  
Monique Arellano  
Violeta Ayer  
Danielle Ballard  
Veronica Cordon

Student Advising for Table clinics:

2017	“Is your Hearing Disappearing?” Tiffany Charles, Kimberly Doraty, Natalie Williams
2016	“Do-It-Yourself Orthodontics” Nazia Ali, Elizabeth Coronado, Yany Durand
2016	“The Unknown Epidemic: Silent GERD” Katie Reese, Mallory Guidry
2015	“Can You Say Ankyloglossia Three Times Fast?” Holly Ketterer, Morgan Hickman, Prescilla Veliz, Laura Hammett

- 2014 "C.R.E.S.T.: It's Not Just a Toothpaste" Monique Arrellano,  
Hoa Lam, Jeanette Salazar, Ami Sanchez
- 2013 "Commit the Crime: Perio Time" Nadia Garza, Van Nguyen,  
Katelyn Oakley, Brittany Swearingen

**TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES:**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY AT HOUSTON**

**Current:**

- Fall 2017 DHCT 3301/DHBS 4301 Clinical Practice III  
Course Director and **Clinic Coordinator**  
DHCT 3302/DHBS 4302 Clinical Seminar III  
Course Director

**Past:**

- 2016 & 2017 DHCT 3401/DHBS 4401 Clinical Practice IV  
Course Director and **Clinic Coordinator**  
DHCT 3402/DHBS 4402 Clinical Seminar IV  
Course Director
- 2015 & 2016 DHCT 3301/DHBS 4301 Clinical Practice III  
Course Director and **Clinic Coordinator**
- 2016 DHCT 3302/DHBS 4302 Clinical Seminar III  
Course Director
- 2015 DHCT 3406/DHBS 4406 Applied Oral Pathology  
Course Director
- 2012-2017 DHCT 3401/DHBS 4401 Clinical Practice IV  
Clinical instructor
- 2012-2017 DHCT 3301/DHBS 4301 Clinical Practice III  
Clinical instructor
- 2012-2017 DHCT 2301/DHBS 3501 Clinical Practice II  
Clinical Instructor
- 2012-2017 DHCT 2201/DHBS 3201 Clinical Practice I  
Clinical Instructor

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2012-2017	DHCT 2101/DHBS 3101 Pre Clinic Clinical Instructor & Guest Lecturer
2013-2017	DHCT 2202/DHBS 3202 Clinical Seminar I Guest Lecturer
2013-2017	DHCT 2300/DHBS 3500 Clinical Seminar II Clinical Instructor
2012-2016	DHCT 3307/DHBS 4307 Dental Materials Clinical Instructor
2015	DENS 2722 Perio II: Non-Surgical Periodontal Therapy Guest Lecturer
2014	DS 3691 Pediatric Dentistry Guest Lecturer
2014	DHBS 4504 Oral Health Research Teaching Assistant
2014 Hygiene	DHCT 2103/DHBS 3103 Intro to Dental Lab Instructor

**HOUSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE CENTER FOR HEALTH CARE  
PROFESSIONALS:**

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| 2012-2015 | DHYG 2000 Pit and Fissure Sealant Certification<br>Instructor in 8 hour course: 4 hours didactic; 4 hours clinical |
| 2012-2015 | DHYG 2000 Coronal Polishing Certification<br>Instructor in 8 hour course: 4 hours didactic; 4 hours clinical       |

**EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DEVELOPED:**

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| 2014 | Pediatric Virtual Patient for DH 2 Students   |
| 2014 | Cultural Awareness component to DH 2 Virtual Patient  |
| 2014 | DHCT 2101/DHBS 3101 Pre-clinic simulation session for DH 1<br>Students on area specific posterior Gracey curettes |
| 2014 | Introduction to Dental Hygiene Patient Education Lab for DH1  |

**PRESENTATIONS:**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY AT HOUSTON**

Continuing Education Courses:

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| May 24, 2018       | Coronal Polishing Certification   | 8 hours           |
| June 30, 2017      | Coronal Polishing Certification   | 8 hours           |
| February 3, 2017   | Coronal Polishing Certification   | 8 hours           |
| September 30, 2016 | “The Dental Hygienist’s Role in the Care of Infant,<br>Toddler and Adolescent Patients” | 3 hours CE credit |
| June 6, 2014       | Pit and Fissure Sealant Certification   | 8 hours           |
| June 7, 2013       | Pit and Fissure Sealant Certification   | 8 hours           |
| December 6-7, 2012 | Pit and Fissure Sealant Certification   | 16 hours          |

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| May 30, 2015 | Coronal Polishing Certification | 8 hours |
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