

Faculty and staff accomplishments (as of Nov. 30)

Accomplishment kudos

Erin Breitenbach, PhD, MA, chair and associate professor, health education, ATSU-CGHS, received her master reviewer certification with Quality Matters.

Lary Ciesemier, DO, FAAAAI, FACOI, professor and chair, internal medicine, ATSU-KCOM, was appointed to the American Osteopathic Board of Allergy Immunology. He has been an item writer for the allergy immunology board for 10 years. In addition, he was nominated for vice chair of the American Osteopathic Board of Pediatrics Conjoint Adult-Pediatric Allergy and Immunology.

Kendra Gray, DO, assistant professor, clinical science education, ATSU-SOMA, received the James M. Lally, DO, National Emerging Leader Award, which recognizes early career physicians poised to become the next generation of leaders in medicine.

Scott Howell, DMD, MPH, FSCD, associate professor, director of public health dentistry & teledentistry, ATSU-ASDOH, led efforts to develop the ATSU-ASDOH [teledentistry website](#). The primary purpose of this site is to help patients be prepared for their teledentistry visits.

Breanne Jaqua, DO, MPH, assistant professor, clinical science education, ATSU-SOMA, was elected chair of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education's (ACGME) Council of Review Committee Residents. As part of this election, Dr. Jaqua has a two-year term on ACGME's Board of Directors beginning September 2021.

Joy Lewis, DO, PhD, FACP, professor and chair, public health, ATSU-SOMA, and Kate Whelihan, MPH, instructor, public health, ATSU-SOMA, contributed to the textbook, Value-Added Roles for Medical Students, which is the second volume in the American Medical Association's MedEd Innovation Series.

Patrick Palmieri, DHSc, EdS, MBA, MSN, ACNP, RN, adjunct professor, health sciences, ATSU-CGHS, will be appointed as a Fellow Ad Eundem of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery from the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (FFNMRCIS) on Dec. 8. He was nominated for the impact of his health policy, leadership, nursing research, and mentoring in South America.

Jae Hyun Park, DMD, PhD, MSD, MS, professor and chair, postgraduate orthodontics, ATSU-ASDOH, was appointed the American Board of Orthodontics Written Examination Committee chair.

Dr. Park and his research team, including Curt Bay, PhD, professor, biostatistics, interdisciplinary health sciences, ATSU-ASHS, and Kathy Rushlo, MHA, director, sponsored programs, Arizona campus, ATSU, received the 2021 Biomedical Research Award from the American Association of Orthodontists Foundation. Their project, “Accuracy, Reliability and Clinical Feasibility of AI-assisted Remote Orthodontic Tooth Movement Monitoring Technology,” received \$30,000.

In addition, Dr. Park and co-authors from Chosun University in Gwangju, Korea, received the 2021 College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics Case Report of the Year Award for their article, “Maxillary molar intrusion and transverse decompensation to enable mandibular single-jaw surgery with rotational setback and transverse shift for a patient with mandibular prognathism and asymmetry.”

Teri Rorie, administrative assistant, audiology, ATSU-ASHS, received the Arizona campus Employee Excellence Award for the third quarter of 2021.

Marlene Salas-Provance, PhD, MHA, CCC-SLP, FASHA, vice dean, ATSU-ASHS, co-published the second edition of her textbook, Culturally Responsive Practices in Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences.

Corey Sanford, lead multimedia specialist, academic technologies, ATSU, received the Missouri campus Employee Excellence Award for the third quarter of 2021.

Ann Eshenaur Spolarich, PhD, RDH, FSCDH, professor and assistant dean for research, ATSU-ASDOH, received the Education Award from the Special Care Dentistry Association in August 2021. The award honors outstanding individuals engaged in educating the next generation of oral health providers about caring for individuals with special healthcare needs.

Christine B. Vining, PhD, CCC-SLP, director of clinical education for the developing Speech-Language Pathology program, ATSU-ASHS, was honored by her alma mater, the University of New Mexico College of Education and Human Sciences, for significant contributions within her profession.