

Institutional Faculty Development Program (IFDP) XX Graduates October 2021 – June 2022



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Dr. Al Lawati joined TTUHSC El Paso as an assistant professor in 2021. Dr. Al Lawati's clinical and research interests include traumatic brain injury, wheelchair skills, and spinal cord injury.



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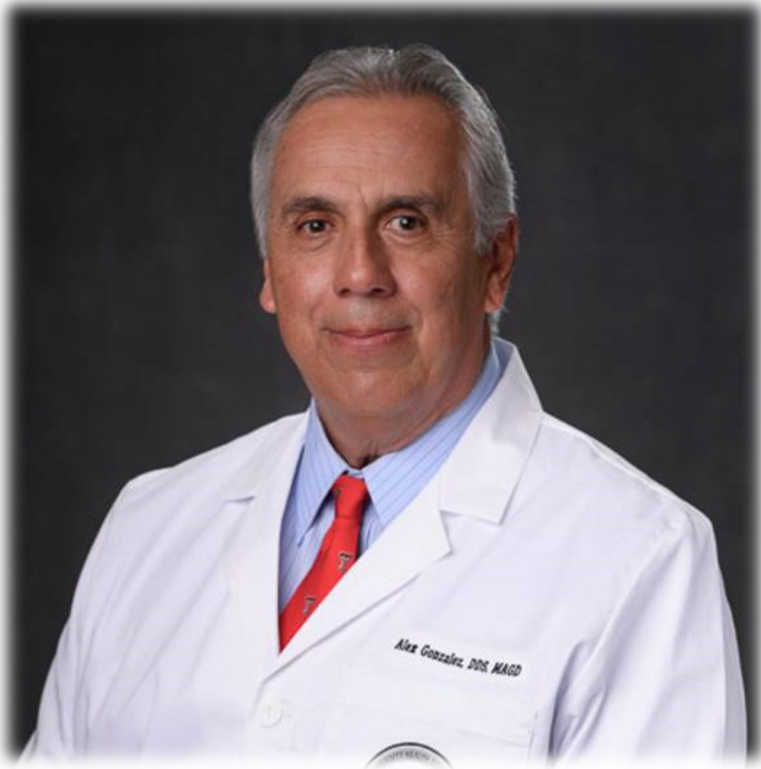
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Dr. Gadad is a Texas TTUHSC El Paso faculty member and is an assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry. She is the co-director of the Southwest Brain Bank.

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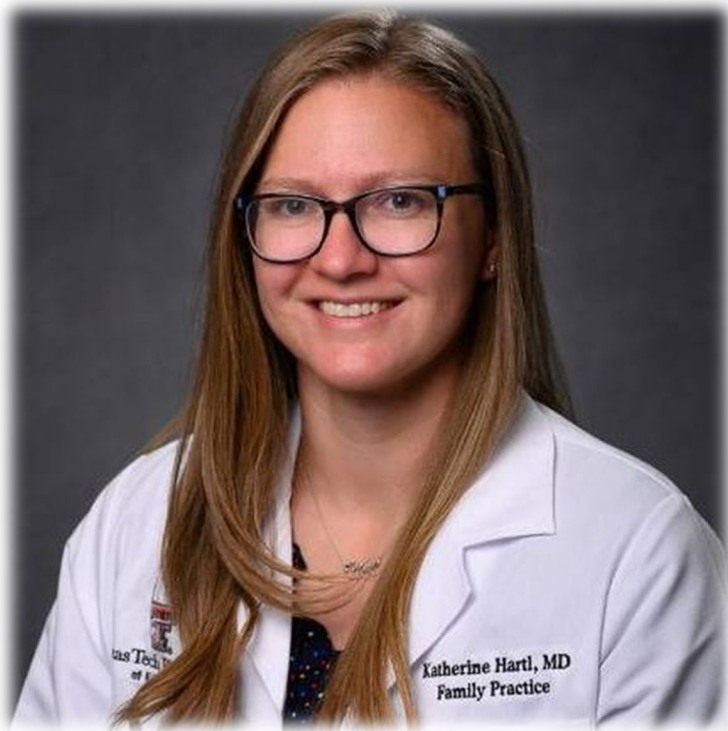
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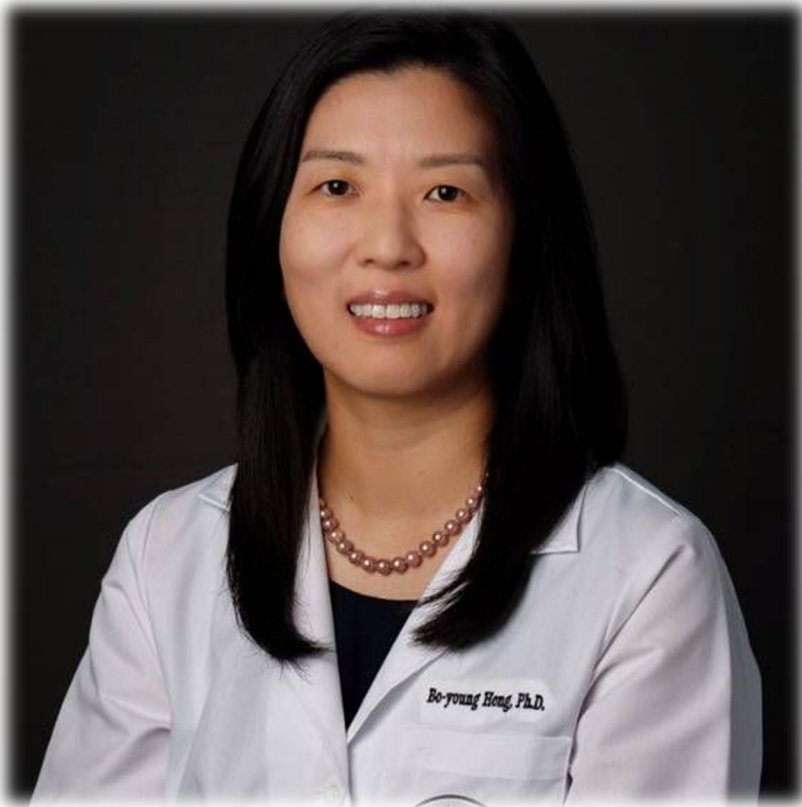
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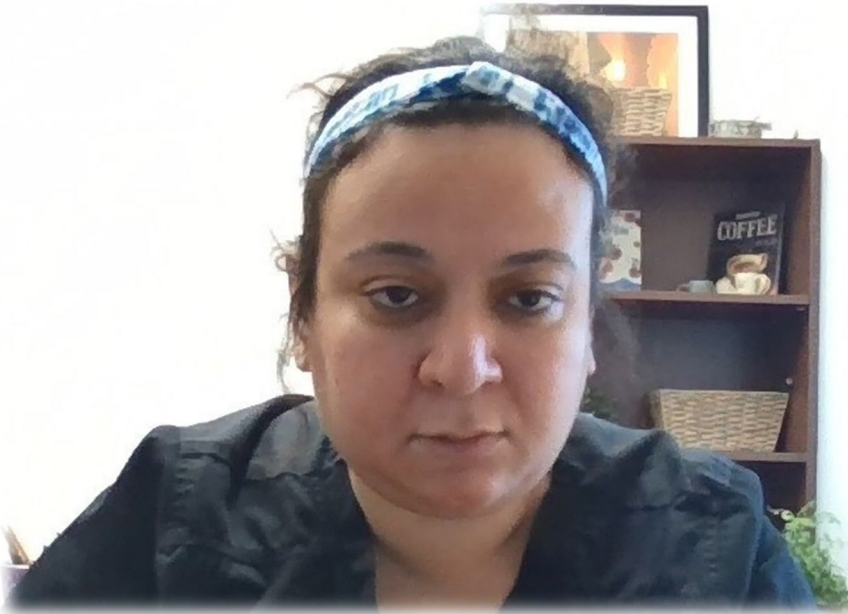
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Dr. Luquis-Aponte joined the faculty at the Hunt School of Dental Medicine in 2021 and is an associate professor. Her specialty is general dentistry.

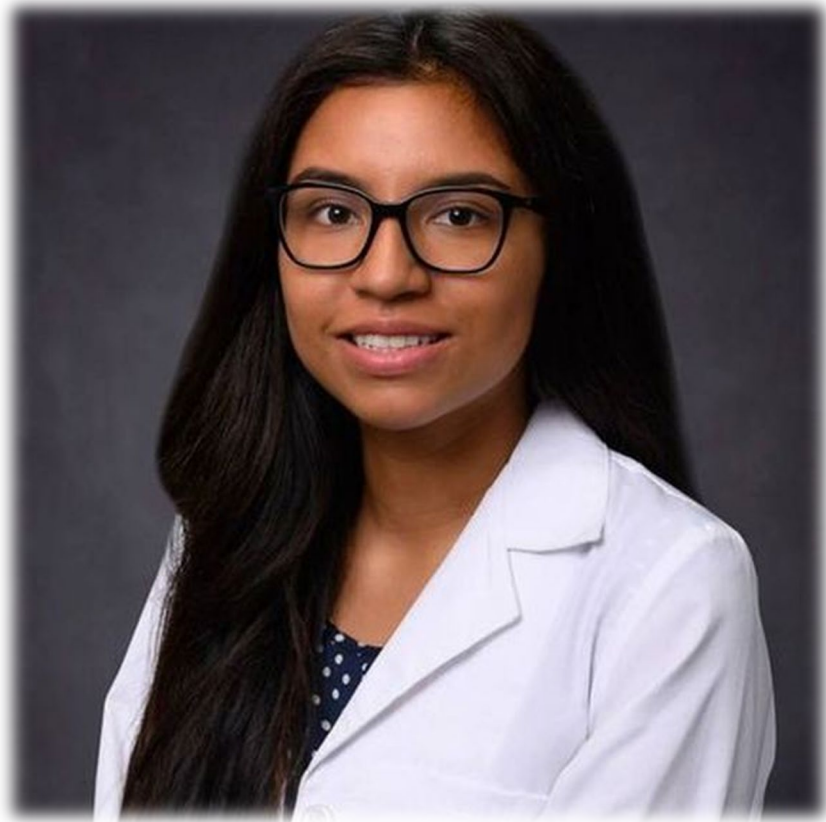
Salwa S. Mekled, B.D.S., D.M.D.
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Dr. Mekled joined the faculty at the Hunt School of Dental Medicine as an assistant professor.



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Eden Robles, Ph.D., M.S.W.
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Director

Dr. Robles joined the Department of Psychiatry and was director of the Texas Children Health Access Through Telemedicine (TCHATT) program.