

ANNUAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME BETWEEN YENEPOYA DENTAL COLLEGE AND THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA 2019

In the month of May 2019, the exchange programme between Yenepoya Dental College and the University of North Carolina was carried out. Two of the undergraduate students from Yenepoya Dental College, Fauwaz Faizal and Diya Pradeep, had stayed for seven days in the city of Raleigh, part of North Carolina state. Dr. Sumitha Nazar Ahmed coordinator of the student exchange program from the university of north Carolina helped organize the exchange programme and made our students feel welcomed by the continuous hospitality shown towards them.



Undergraduate students from Yenepoya Dental College with Dr. Sumitha Nazar from UNC.

Over the course of their stay, the first few days consisted of getting a tour of the institution, learning about advanced materials and techniques that have been incorporated into their facilities, also having the opportunity to attend full lectures along with the third year dental undergraduates, and even being able to observe a private clinical practice from a different and new perspective. As well as engaging in academic experiences, our students were also shown around the town and dined in the towns restaurants and were lucky enough to attend a baseball game



The following days of their visit were even more fruitful; Fauwaz and Diya attended the UNC institutions clinical classes, getting hands-on experience with a crown and veneer preparation course on typhodonts, increasing their outlook on dentistry by a lecture on 'Advanced Dentistry' with Dr. Terry Donovan (pioneer in advance operative Dentistry & prosthodontics), getting to observe and assist residents of the same field. To end the trip with even more enrichment of skills and knowledge, a course on Ceramic Inlays And Onlays, Gold Crown Prep On Posterior Teeth & Advanced Impression Recording Technique (Digital Scanning) was attended by our students.



The exchange programme gave a different encouraging outlook towards dentistry to our students, throwing light into advanced materials, techniques and equipment, improving their skills and knowledge with hands on courses and demonstrations, and even absorbing the new cultures and experiences that the UNC exchange programme had to offer.