



In memory of
Arne M. Bjorndal, D.D.S.
1916 – 2012

Professor and Founding Chair
Department of Endodontics
College of Dentistry and Dental Clinics
University of Iowa

The case for support of the

ARNE M. BJORNDAL ADVANCED EDUCATION PROFESSORSHIP FUND

*benefiting the Department of Endodontics at the
University of Iowa College of Dentistry*

Endodontics is at the root of the comprehensive dental education offered at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. In addition to providing pre-doctoral dental students an excellent foundation in endodontic therapy, the Department of Endodontics provides graduate students an advanced education that is second to none.

Advanced endodontic training at the University of Iowa balances clinical experience with didactic instruction in the relevant clinical and basic sciences. A problem-solving approach is used to develop skills in the diagnosis and decision-making process of endodontic treatment strategies. Our residents receive hands-on instruction in the clinics, which are located in the Dental Science Building at the College of Dentistry and Dental Clinics. Protocol-driven research and the opportunity to teach in the pre-doctoral program are also integral components of this exceptional advanced program.

Arne Bjorndal, D.D.S. initiated the department of endodontics in 1962. Originally part of the Department of Operative Dentistry, endodontics became an independent specialty program in the early 1970s under Dr. Bjorndal's direction. Today, the Department of Endodontics is housed in a newly constructed wing of the Dental Science Building. More than 130 residents have graduated with an advanced degree in endodontics and it all began with Dr. Bjorndal's vision and leadership as the founding chair of the department.

Dr. Bjorndal retired from UI College of Dentistry in 1984 and he died in 2012 at the age of 96. He and other endodontic pioneers of his time established the educational standards and foundation of knowledge that endodontists still rely on today. His contributions continue to influence the profession far beyond his 30 years of service to the department. It is in his honor that we seek private funds to sustain a bright future for the UI endodontic graduate program.

HONORING GREATNESS BY INVESTING IN TOMORROW

Like Dr. Bjorndal, you can help provide and sustain a margin of excellence for the advanced education program in the Department of Endodontics. Your investment, in honor of his many years of service, will have a lasting impact. Please consider an outright gift or a five-year pledge in order to sustain and grow the University of Iowa's ability to educate and inspire new generations of leaders in the field of endodontics.



"Dr. Arne Bjorndal personifies dedication to dentistry and commitment to education. As the originator of the endodontic department, his enthusiasm and perseverance influenced countless colleagues and generations of students. Your gift in his honor will allow us to cultivate his legacy. It will serve as a solid foundation to continue our mission of supporting the residents, research, and our globally talented faculty."

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To learn more about how private support benefits the Department of Endodontics in the UI College of Dentistry, contact:

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The Arne M. Bjorndal Advanced Education Professorship Fund

Minimum Goal: \$750,000

To maximize their potential as educators, clinicians, and researchers, the department's faculty must have the resources necessary to excel. Gifts to this fund will endow the program director position. Your gift will allow us to continue to retain and recruit outstanding faculty to this crucial position while freeing resources for program development and innovation.

If this important fundraising initiative does not reach the minimum level necessary to establish the professorship, the funds will be used to establish the endowed program fund described below benefiting residents in endodontics.

Arne M. Bjorndal Excellence in Advanced Education Fund

This endowed fund will provide consistent and flexible support for the Advanced Education Program in Endodontics at the UI College of Dentistry. At the discretion of the department executive officer, gifts will:

- Inspire and reward graduate students by providing financial assistance, especially to bolster research efforts.
- Encourage professional growth among graduate students by covering costs for development opportunities such as conferences, training certificates, association memberships, and visiting lecturers.
- Enrich the educational experience by helping to acquire and maintain state-of-the-art equipment and instruments for the graduate program.

