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**Dr. Heather J. Conrad Honored with Educator of the Year Award by the American College of Prosthodontists**



CHICAGO — Heather J. Conrad, DMD, MS, FACP, FRCD(C), will be honored with the Educator of the Year Award by the American College of Prosthodontists (ACP). Dr. Conrad is to be honored at the Annual Awards & President's Dinner during the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the American College of Prosthodontists held in Orlando from October 21-24, 2015.

Dr. Conrad graduated from the University of Saskatchewan with a Doctor of Dental Medicine degree in 1997. She completed the Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics and Master of Science degree at the University of Minnesota in 2006 and continued on to pursue an academic career. She has since completed the American and Canadian specialty examinations to become a Fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists (FACP) and a Fellow of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada (FRCD(C)).

In 2012, Dr. Conrad was appointed the Director of the Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics and promoted to Associate Professor with Tenure at the University of Minnesota, her current position. Dr. Conrad was voted Professor of the Year by the dental students for three consecutive years from 2009-2011, has served on the Council for the American Board of Prosthodontics and Prosthodontic Section of ADEA, and is currently serving on the administrative board of the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Council for Hospitals and Advanced Education Programs.

"I am truly grateful to be considered and selected by the ACP to receive the Educator of the Year award. It is an honor to be recognized by my peers for my contribution to excellence in prosthodontic education," said Dr. Conrad.

The winner of ACP's Educator of the Year Award is recognized for exceptional skills as a dental educator. This award is presented to individuals (ACP members) who have made substantial contributions to the welfare and advancement of the College or prosthodontics; with outstanding achievement in academic dentistry; and contributions to the sciences or health profession.

Prosthodontists are specialized dentists with advanced training in oral health issues, who are committed to improving patient outcomes. From implants, crowns, veneers and tooth whitening, to full-mouth reconstruction, Prosthodontists specialize in [digital dentistry](#) and CAD/CAM solutions.

The ACP is the only prosthodontic specialty organization whose membership is based solely on education credentials. ACP members must be in or have completed an ADA-accredited advanced education program in Prosthodontics.

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**About the ACP**

The American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) is the official sponsoring organization for the specialty of Prosthodontics, which is one of nine recognized specialties of the American Dental Association. Founded in 1970, ACP is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to enhancing patient care, advancing the art and science of Prosthodontics, promoting the specialty of Prosthodontics to the public and other dentists and healthcare professionals, ensuring the quality of Prosthodontic education and providing professional services to its membership. Visit [GoToAPro.org](http://GoToAPro.org) to learn more.

**About the ACP Annual Session**

The Oct. 21-24, 2015, ACP Annual Session in Orlando is the premier professional development and networking event in prosthodontic dentistry, featuring four days of dynamic sessions with elite speakers from around the world discussing the latest strategies, treatment approaches, practical applications, digital workflows, alternative therapies and more.