

# R. Joshua Velazquez

## Education

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**Touro | College of Dental Medicine**  
*Doctor of Dental Surgery*

**Hawthorne, NY**  
*July 2022-present*

**William Carey University | College of Medicine**  
*Masters of Biological Science*

**Hattiesburg, MS**  
*May 2019*

**University of Richmond | School of Arts & Sciences**  
*Bachelor of Science in Biology, minor in History*

**Richmond, VA**  
*August 2012 - May 2016*

## Experience

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**American Student Dental Association**  
*District 2 Events Chair*

**New York, NY**  
*June 2024-Present*

- Work alongside the District Trustee to effectively design activities relevant to the demands and interests of the District.
- Responsible for securing venues for the Leadership Retreat and Annual District 2 Meeting
- Coordinated all in-person event logistics, including speakers, dates, agenda, and promotional materials.

**Touro ASDA**  
*Executive Board Treasurer*

**Hawthorne, NY**  
*June 2024-Present*

- Serving as chief financial officer and managing all finances of the chapter
- Communicate with the SGA treasurer monthly and following events to make sure spreadsheets align
- Organize and help fundraise for the TCDM Annual Vendor Fair

*Advocacy Chair*

*June 2023-May 2024*

- Educate chapter members on ASDA advocacy initiatives
- Participate and organize Touro's first visit to Washington D.C. for Lobby Day.
- Organize activities for Advocacy Month in November

**Avant Health**  
*Research Fellow/Consultant*

**Bethesda, MD**  
*February 2022-June 2022*

- Execute secondary research initiatives, including the conduct of stakeholder interviews, creation of research documents, and analysis of results
- Recruit stakeholders (patients, physicians/sites, payers)
- Manage stakeholders and Avant clients to enable smooth progression of research activities

**Dental Care Bridgewater**  
*Sterile Assistant*

**Bridgewater, NJ**  
*December 2020-June 2022*

- Preparing exam rooms, sterilizing instruments, and ensuring necessary equipment is ready for dentists
- Assisting dentists during procedures by handing them instruments and anticipating needs
- Handling general administrative and other duties to maintain the dental practice

**Shadowing**  
*Central Jersey Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics*

**East Brunswick, NJ**  
*March 2018-November 2019*

- Shadowing Dr. Michelle Backhaus and Dr. Christopher Overcash (77 hours)
- Observed routine examinations and consultations
- Witnessed how to deliver and plan patient care for each unique case

## Skills & Interests

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- Member of the University of Richmond Crew Team (2012-2016)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do