# 57<sup>th</sup> Annual AAOS Course for Orthopaedic Educators

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#### **Course Directors**

Robert J. Esther, MD, FAAOS University of North Carolina Chapel Hill; Chapel Hill, NC

Robert J Esther, MD, is a UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center member, H. Robert Brashear Distinguished Teaching Fellow and Assistant Professor of Orthopaedics, Director of the Orthopaedic Residency Program, and Board-Certified, American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery.



Dr. Esther works with Clinical Research in the Bone and Soft Tissue Oncology Program, but his primary clinical interest is musculoskeletal oncology, especially bone and soft tissue sarcomas. His interests also include surgical and nonsurgical care of patients with metastatic bone disease. Dr. Esther's practice provides care of benign or locally aggressive tumors such as giant cell tumors, aneurysmal bone cysts, etc."

He joined the faculty of the AAOS Annual Educators Course in 2012 and was promoted to the course director in 2018.

#### Jonathan P. Braman, MD, FAAOS Henry Ford Health; Detroit, MI

Jonathan P. Braman, MD, MHA, FAOA, oversees the academic enterprise and clinical faculty in the Henry Ford Health Care Delivery System, including orthopedic surgery residencies and research. He collaborates with Nancy Zehnpfennig to support the orthopedic service line across multiple hospitals and outpatient clinics, enhancing patient access, quality, and outcomes. He also strengthens academic relationships with institutions like Michigan State University and Wayne State University.



Dr. Braman, a dedicated researcher and educator, has authored 90 peer-reviewed publications and co-directs the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons Course for Orthopedic Educators. Before joining Henry Ford Health in June 2023, he spent 18 years at the University of Minnesota and TRIA Orthopedic Center in leadership roles. He earned his medical degree from the University of Washington, completed a shoulder fellowship at Mt. Sinai Hospital, and obtained a Masters in Healthcare Administration from the University of Minnesota in 2021.

# **Course Faculty**

### **Gregory L. DeSilva, MD, FAAOS**

University of Arizona; Tuscon, AZ

Greg DeSilva has now served as course faculty for the AAOS Educators Course for three years. He has been program director at the University of Arizona since 2009 and has been active in Council of Orthopaedic Residency Directors. Also, he has served as President of the Detroit Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons and the Southwest Orthopaedic Trauma Association. With his colleagues from SWOTA, he is co-director of the annual Intern Motor Skills Course.



Dr. DeSilva attended the University of Michigan for both his undergraduate and medical degrees. He stayed in Ann Arbor where he completed his orthopedic surgery training and then completed a hand surgery fellowship in Baltimore at the Curtis National Hand Center.

He joined the faculty of the AAOS Annual Educators course in 2019.

#### **Alicia K. Harrison, MD, FAAOS** University of Minnesota; Minneapolis, MN

Alicia Harrison, MD is an associate professor in the Department of Orthopedic Surgery. She is a graduate of the University of Minnesota Department of Orthopedic Surgery Residency Program. Her clinical interests include arthroscopic rotator cuff repair, shoulder and elbow fractures and dislocations, rheumatoid and osteoarthritis of the shoulder and elbow, arthroscopic shoulder instability and shoulder joint replacement. Dr. Harrison has a research and education interest in orthopaedic simulation.

She joined the faculty of the AAOS Annual Educators course in 2019.

#### Monica Kogan, MD, FAAOS Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush; Chicago, IL

Monica Kogan, MD is a medical graduate from the University of Illinois College of Medicine Chicago and completed her orthopedic surgical residency at Northwestern Memorial Hospital. Her fellowship in pediatric orthopedic surgery was completed at the Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City, a renowned pediatric center serving five states in the intermountain region.



Dr. Kogan spent five years at Children's Hospital and Research Center Oakland specializing in the treatment of children's broken bones and other orthopedic problems unique to pediatric patients including: trauma, birth defects, developmental dysplasia, clubfeet, genetic anomalies, neurologic dysfunction, scoliosis, and walking disorders. She is fluent in Spanish, and enjoys running, biking, hiking, and competing in triathlons.

This is her fourth year on the AAOS Annual Educators Course Faculty.

# **Course Faculty**

#### Thomas G. McPartland, MD, FAAOS Rutgers University; East Brunswick, NJ

Thomas G. McPartland is a pediatric orthopedic surgeon at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in his home state of New Jersey. While he oversees all types of pediatric cases, he has a clinical focus on hip preservation and limb deformity. Passionate about education at all levels he founded a nationally recognized peer mentor program as a medical student at Rutgers. He is active in POSNA and the American Academy of Pediatrics focusing on education and technology in medicine.

He joined the faculty of the AAOS Annual Educators course in 2015.

# **Lisa A. Taitsman, MD, MPH, FAAOS** University of Washington; Seattle, WA

Lisa A. Taitsman, MD is a Professor of Orthopaedics and Sports
Medicine at University of Washington Harborview Medical Center,
specializing in orthopaedic surgery for trauma patients. Dr. Taitsman
earned her undergraduate and medical degrees at Brown University.
She completed an internship in Boston and her orthopaedic residency
in the Harvard Combined Program. Dr. Taitsman then went on to
complete a fellowship in orthopaedic traumatology at the University of Washington.

She joined the faculty of the AAOS Annual Educators course in 2014.

#### Katherine Wisener, MA, PhD

University of British Columbia; Vancouver, British Columbia

Katherine Wisener is the Associate Director for Faculty Development in the University of British Columbia's Faculty of Medicine. She lives in Vancouver, Canada, where she received her MA degree in Educational Psychology at UBC. She is currently completing her PhD in health education at Maastricht University. Her PhD is focused on how incentives work to influence the motivations of clinicians who teach medical students and residents, with the goal of improving the recruitment and retention of clinical educators. Her professional and research interests focus on how to best support health professionals' teaching and learning in a variety of health contexts.

This is her fourth year on the AAOS Annual Educators Course Faculty.