

Thomas M. DeLauro, DPM ('76) to Retire at Year's End



Professor and Chair of Medical Sciences, **Thomas M. DeLauro, DPM**, will retire at the end of December. Valedictorian of the Class of 1976 and a magna cum laude graduate of NYCPM, Dr. DeLauro divided his two-year residency between Peninsula Hospital Center (Far Rockaway) and Atlanta Hospital (Georgia). He has worked at NYCPM in different capacities since 1978.

A full-time faculty member, he was Academic Dean from 1980 to 1992 and had earned full professor rank in both Medical Sciences and Surgical Sciences. Dr. DeLauro worked at the College part-time after that year until 2007, at which time he regained a full-time position at NYCPM. He was also editor-in-chief of JAPMA for three years, from 1987-1990, "a very rewarding time." Dr. DeLauro maintains two private practices, one in Staten Island and the other in Manhattan; he shares the Staten Island practice with his daughter, a 2006 graduate of NYCPM.

Dr. DeLauro says that, when he graduated, the mission of the College was to prepare students to practice podiatry, and now, of course, that mission has shifted to preparation for residency. He says that he has seen "remarkable" strides in the profession, and feels that podiatrists are now highly regarded.

"This has been my second home for over 40 years, and everyone in it my second family." Dr. DeLauro's grateful for the opportunities he's had, for the lessons he's learned and for the camaraderie he found here.