

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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**PRESENT TITLE:** Associate Professor  
Division of Plastic Surgery  
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**BIRTHDATE:** July 11, 1968

**CITIZENSHIP:** USA

### UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION:

The University of Northern Iowa 1986–1990  
Cedar Falls, Iowa

Bachelor of Arts 1986–1990  
The University of Iowa College of Liberal Arts  
Iowa City, Iowa

### GRADUATE EDUCATION:

Doctor of Medicine 1991–1995  
Carver College of Medicine  
The University of Iowa  
Iowa City, Iowa

## **POSTGRADUATE TRAINING:**

Intern in General Surgery 1995–1996  
McGovern Medical School  
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston  
Houston, Texas

Resident in General Surgery 1996–1998  
McGovern Medical School  
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston  
Houston, Texas

Dr. Thomas D. Cronin Fellowship in Plastic Surgery 1998–1999  
McGovern Medical School  
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston  
Houston, Texas

Resident in Plastic Surgery 1999–2001  
McGovern Medical School  
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston  
Houston, Texas

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION:**

Masters of Clinical Research Program, Center for Clinical Research and Evidence-based Medicine; UT Health Science Center – Houston, McGovern Medical School; Houston, Texas. Completed 3 semesters of course work: Fall 2003, Spring 2004, Fall 2004.

Intensive Biomedical Ethics Course, Houston Methodist Research Institute; 2015 May 11–15; Houston, Tx.

Harris Health Leadership Course, UT Health School of Public Health; 2015 October–December; Houston, Tx.

23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Surgeons as Educators; American College of Surgeons; 2016, August 27–September 2; Atlanta, Ga.

Transmale Genital Surgery; Cadaveric Training Course; Rush University Medical Center; Chicago, Illinois; 2016 October 20–22.

Transgender 101 Course; American Society of Plastic Surgeons/Plastic Surgery Education Network; 2017 January 4-March 8.

Surgical Anatomy and Surgical Approaches to Male to Female Genital Gender Affirming Surgery and the Measurement of the Patient before, during and after Surgery: A Human Cadaver Based Course; Sponsored by The United States Professional Association for Transgender Health; The University of California-Irvine Medical Center; Orange, California; 2017 February.

Essentials of Leadership Program; American Society of Plastic Surgeons; 2017 March 31–October 5.

Transfeminine Genital Surgery; Cadaveric Training Course; Rush University Medical Center; Chicago, Illinois; 2017 May 19-20

**ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS:**

Instructor Division of Plastic Surgery Department of Surgery McGovern Medical School The University of Texas Medical School at Houston	2001–2002
Chief—Division of Plastic Surgery Lyndon Baines Johnson Hospital Harris Health System	2001–present
Assistant Professor Division of Plastic Surgery Department of Surgery McGovern Medical School The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston	2002–2018
Associate Professor Division of Plastic Surgery Department of Surgery McGovern Medical School The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston	2018 - present
Plastic Surgery Medical Student Clerkship Director	2002 - present

**HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS:**

- Memorial–Hermann Hospital–Medical Center
- Memorial–Hermann Hospital–Southeast
- Lyndon Baines Johnson Hospital, Harris Health System

**LICENSURE:** K2021, Texas

**CERTIFICATION:**

The American Board of Plastic Surgery 2002 September 14  
Certificate No. 6356

The American Board of Plastic Surgery 2012 April 30  
Recertification Exam–Pass

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:**

Local:

- Harris County Medical Society 2001–present
- Houston Society of Plastic Surgeons 2001–present
  - Treasurer 2011–2012
  - Secretary 2012–2013
  - President 2013–2014

Regional:

- Southern Regional Burn Association 2001–present
- Texas Medical Association 2001–present
- Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons 2011–present
- South Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons 2012–present

National:

- American Burn Association 2001–present
- American Medical Association 2001–present
- American Society of Plastic Surgeons 2002–present
  - PSF Maliniac Fellow 2016–present
- American College of Surgeons 2011–present
  - Fellow 2011–present
- Association for Surgical Education 2004–present

- American Council of Academic Plastic Surgeons 2016–present

International:

- World Professional Association for Transgender Health 2016–present

**HONORS AND AWARDS:**

- Dr. Thomas D. Cronin Fellowship in Plastic Surgery 1998–1999
- Benjy F. Brooks, M. D. Outstanding Clinical Faculty Award 2016
- Best Poster, “Cross-Leg Flap: A Single Institution Experience.” 2016  
Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons Annual Meeting; San Antonio, Texas; 2016 September 9–11
- Dean’s Teaching Excellence Award 2017
- Arnold P. Gold Foundation, Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award 2018
- Dean’s Teaching Excellence Award 2018
- Houstonia Magazine Top Doctor 2018
- Dean’s Teaching Excellence Award 2019
- McGovern Medical School Champions of learning Environment 2020

**SERVICE ON REGIONAL COMMITTEES:**

Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons

- Membership Committee 2017-present
- Legislative Committee 2017-present
- Nominating Committee 2018-present

**SERVICE ON NATIONAL COMMITTEES:**

American Society of Plastic Surgeons

- Bylaws Committee 2015–2018
- Health Policy Committee 2015–present
  - Revised national guidelines for treating skin lesions
  - ASPS Policy Statement of Concurrent Surgery
  - Revised ASPS Policy Statement on Insurance coverage of excess skin and soft tissue excision following weight loss
  - ASPS Policy Statement on MTALA law
  - ASPS Policy Statement of Transgender Surgery
- Annual Meeting and Instructional Course Committee 2015–2019
  - Reviewer scientific paper session 2016-present

- Moderator scientific paper session 2017-present
- Public Education Committee 2016-present
  - Update ASPS website Procedural information
    - Gynecomastia 2017
    - Plastic Surgery for Men 2017
    - Hair Replacement 2017
    - Skin Cancer 2017
    - Tissue Expansion 2017
    - Burn Reconstruction 2018
    - Tattoo Removal 2018
    - Amputee Reconstruction 2018
- Legislative Advocacy Committee 2016-present
  - ASPS Advocacy Summit 2017-2019
    - Planning Committee 2017
- Membership, Recruitment, Compliance and Development Committee 2017-present
- Development Committee 2017-present
  - Vice Chair 2018-present
  - Maliniac Fellow Recruitment Committee 2017-present
- Continuing Education Committee 2017-present

PlastyPac

- Board of Governors 2017-present

National Physicians' Council for Healthcare Policy

- Vice Chair Plastic Surgery 2017-2018

**SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON:**

- Interfaculty Council 2015-2016
  - Governance and Academic Affairs Sub-committee 2015-2016

**SERVICE ON MCGOVERN MEDICAL SCHOOL COMMITTEES:**

- Interviewer for Medical Student Applicants 2001-2005
- Faculty Senate 2004-2009
- Faculty Senate 2014-2018

- Student Evaluation and Promotions Committee 2015–2019
- Diversity Committee 2016–2017
- Curriculum Committee 2017–2019

**SERVICE ON UTMSH AFFILIATED HOSPITAL COMMITTEES:**

Memorial Hermann Hospital Medical Center:

- Physician Quality Review Committee 2012–2020

Lyndon Baines Johnson Hospital:

- Operating Room Committee 2001–2020
- Medical Executive Committee 2001–2020
- Chief of Service Committee 2001–2020
- Member Head and Neck Tumor Board 2013–2017
- Member Breast Tumor Board 2015–2020
- Ethics Committee 2016–2020
- Quality Review Committee 2016–2020
- OC patient satisfaction committee 2016–2020
- Procedure Case Review Committee 2016–2020
  - Co-Chair with Dr. Tamara Saunders
  - Head UTI Sub-committee
    - Nurse Driven Protocol for Foley Catheter Removal
    - Video Teaching for Home Catheter Care

**SERVICE ON HARRIS HEALTH COMMITTEES**

- Harris Health System Ethics Committee 2015–present

**SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY:**

- Instructor American Burn Life Support Classes 2001–present  
Lecture and instruct students in the acute care of the burn patient. This 2-day course is put on by the John S. Dunn Sr. Burn Center Memorial Hermann Hospital on a quarterly basis.
- Volunteer for D-tag 2009–2018  
A combined program of the Houston Parks and Recreation Service and the Harris County Medical Society that allows at-risk youth to have laser tattoo removal of gang-related tattoos so that they may more easily become employed.

**TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES:**

First Year Medical Student Clinical Preceptor Program 2016- present

Physical Diagnosis Preceptor Program 2003–2007  
2016–present

Suture Lab Coordinator 2004–2010

- Coordinated and ran a teaching lab with Dr. Erik Marques/Plastic Surgery, during which we taught 3<sup>rd</sup> year medical students how to perform basic suturing and hand tying techniques.

Student Plastic Surgery Clinical Clerkship Director 2002–present

- Created the curriculum and coordinate all clinical activities for both a 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year elective student rotation in Plastic Surgery. Approximately 4 students per month rotate on these electives.

Medical Student Hand-Off Instructor 2016–present

- Co-instructor with Dr. Sasha Adams and Dr. Todd Huzar in a course designed to introduce and instruct 3<sup>rd</sup> year medical students in the art of clinical patient hand-off.

**CLINICAL TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES:** 2001–present

- 1 Plastic Surgery Resident rotates on my service at Memorial Hermann Hospital per month.
- 2 Plastic Surgery Residents (one junior, one senior) rotate on my service at Lyndon Baines Johnson Hospital per month.
- 2 General Surgery interns rotate on the burn service with me each month. 2 medical students rotate on this service each month.

### **MENTORING ACTIVITIES:**

I have mentored each of the following students. Each of these students has gone on to be accepted into either an integrated Plastic Surgery residency or a General Surgery residency. Mentoring activities include serving as the student's clinical rotation advisor, meeting with the student on a regular basis, and emailing frequently to discuss research activities, extra-curricular activities, and other opportunities, which would help the student matriculate in an integrated Plastic Surgery Residency.

- Matthew Kaufman–Plastic Surgery, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas
- Nicholas Webster–Plastic Surgery, Scott and White, Temple, Texas
- Farian Jalalabadi–Plastic Surgery, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas



- Andrew Berry–UTMB, Plastic Surgery, Galveston, Texas
- Kyle Mark Thompson– General Surgery, University of California, Davis, California
- Christopher Parham–Plastic Surgery, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- Jasson Thomas Abraham– Plastic Surgery, Scott and White, Temple Texas
- Rebecca Barr– General Surgery, Northwestern University, Chicago Illinois
- Christopher Stewart – Plastic surgery, Emory, Atlanta, Georgia
- Kari Smith – General Surgery, University of Texas, San Antonio, Texas
- Jourdain Artz – Plastic Surgery, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- Y-Vu Robert Van –Plastic Surgery, Cornell, Ithaca, New York
- Yunfeng (Jay) Xue–Plastic Surgery, University of California, Davis, California
- Mathew Mitchell–Plastic Surgery, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee
- Christina Canzoneri–Plastic Surgery, Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine, Roanoke, Virginia
- Riley A Dean–Plastic Surgery, University of California, Irvine, California
- Shannon I Fleming–Plastic Surgery, The University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia
- Sneha Patel–Plastic Surgery, The University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, Massachusetts.

#### **CURRENT CLINICAL SERVICE RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Call at Lyndon Baines Johnson Hospital (includes plastic surgery, Facial Trauma, Hand Trauma, Microsurgery): 12–14 days per month.
- Call at Memorial Hermann Hospital Facial Trauma: 2 days per month.
- Call at Memorial Hermann Hospital Hand Trauma and Microsurgery: 1 days per month.
- Call at Memorial Hermann Hospital John S. Dunn Sr. Burn Unit: 5–8 days per month.
- Call at Memorial Hermann Hospital for Plastic Surgery Consults: 4-5 days per month.
- Clinic (pre-operative and post-operative patients. 30 to 40 patients per clinic): 2 days per week.
- Perform Surgery in the Operating Room: 5 days per week. (Average 15 cases per week)

Director of Gender Confirmation Service

2016–present

- Organized the Formation of a UT Health Science Center-Houston, McGovern Medical School Based Multi-Specialty Gender Conformation Service—to include the following specialties/physicians:
  - Plastic Surgery: Dr. Daniel J. Freet MD
  - Psychiatry: Dr. Bobby Nix MD
  - Urology: Dr. Run Wang MD
  - Obstetrics/Gynecology: Dr. Pamela D. Berens MD
  - Endocrinology: Dr. Shahla Nader-Eftekhari MD
  - OMFS: Dr. Nagi Demian DDS, MD
- Devised surgical pricing and billing for procedures performed
- Organized advertising for this service

### **ABSTRACTS:**

George, T. C., Huzar, T. F., Love, J. D., Cross, J. M., Freet, D. J. Cocaine Associated Vasculitis: An Increasing New Trend in Burn Center Admissions. Abstract presented at American Burn Association 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting; 2015 April 21–24; Chicago, Il.

Supsupin, E., Alava, I., Freet, D., Bonfante, E., Garza, S., Weinstock, Y. Reconstructive Flap 101: Basic Principles, Imaging, and Beyond. Abstract presented at the American Society of Neuroradiology 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting and The Foundation of the ASNR Symposium; 2015 April 25–30; Chicago, Il.

Wegge, J., Wainwright, D. J., Freet, D. J., Artz, J.: A 10-year Experience and Literature Review: Indications for and Usage of Flaps in Acute Burn Management. Abstract presented at Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons Annual Meeting; 2015 September 9-11; San Antonio, Tx.

Huzar, T. F., George, T. C., Harvin, J., Lawless, R. A., Cross, J. M., Freet, D. J., Cotton, B. A., Wade, C. E., Love, J. D.: Fresh Frozen Plasma (FFP) and Burn Resuscitation. Supplement to Journal of Burn Care and Research. May/June 2016 Volume 37, Number 3.

George, T.C., Love, J. D., Lawless, A., Cross, J. M., Freet, D. J., Huzar, T. F.: Successful Management of Severe Inhalation Injury and Profound Hypoxemia with Early Initiation of ECMO: A Case Series. Supplement to Journal of Burn Care and Research. May/June 2016 Volume 37, Number 3.

George, T. C., Huzar, T. F., Freet, D. J., Cross, J. M.: Burn Injury Characteristics in Obese and Non-Obese Patients. Supplement to Journal of Burn Care and Research. May/June 2016 Volume 37, Number 3.

Wegge, J., Wainwright, D. J., Freet, D. J.: The Role of Flaps in Acute Burn Management. Supplement to Journal of Burn Care and Research. May/June 2016 Volume 37, Number 3.

#### **PUBLICATIONS:**

Schlosser, S., Black, D. W., Repertinger, S., Freet, D.: Compulsive Buying: Demography, Phenomenology, and Comorbidity in 46 Subjects. *General Hospital Psychiatry* 16: 205-212, 1994.

George, T. C., Huzar, T. F., Love, J. D., Freet, D. J., Cross, J. M.: Levamisole Induced Vasculitis: an increasing new trend. *Journal of the American Academy of Physician Assistants*. (Accepted for publication. In print)

#### **BOOK CHAPTERS:**

Blackburne, B. D., Freet, D. J.; "Connotative Agency: Communicating Transgender in Medical Practice"; *The Rhetoric of Health and Medicine As/Is: Theories and Concepts for an Emerging Field*. Ed. Meloncon, L., Graham, S., Johnson, J., Lynch, J., Ryan, C. (Accepted for publication)

#### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:**

Freet, D. J., The "Sunshine Act" and its Impact on Practicing Plastic Surgeons. Presented at Plastic Surgery Grand Rounds; University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, McGovern Medical School; 2012 March: Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Debate: Open vs. Closed Treatment of Condylar Neck Fractures of the Mandible. Presented at The Facial Trauma Symposia; Texas Medical Center; 2012 September: Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Treatment of Facial Gunshot Wounds. Presented at The Facial Trauma Symposia; Texas Medical Center; 2013 September; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Free Tissue Transfer in Burn Patients. Presented at John S. Dunn Sr. Burn Unit Grand Rounds; Memorial Hermann Hospital Medical Center; 2013 June 4; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Free Tissue Transfer in Head and Neck Reconstruction at LBJ Hospital. Presented at the Department of Surgery Grand Rounds; University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, McGovern Medical School; 2014 January 29; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Complex Soft Tissue Reconstruction in Facial Trauma; Presented at Multidisciplinary Facial Trauma Conference; University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, McGovern Medical School; 2015 July 16; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Distant Flaps in Burn Reconstruction. Presented at John S. Dunn Sr. Burn Unit Grand Rounds; Memorial Hermann Hospital Medical Center; 2016 June 7; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Skin grafting of Cosmetically Sensitive Areas in the Burn Patient: The Face and Hands; Presented at the John S. Dunn Sr. Burn Unit Grand Rounds; Memorial Hermann Hospital Medical Center; 2016 August 2; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Gender Confirmation Surgery at UT-Houston; Presented at the Department of Psychiatry Grand Rounds; University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, McGovern Medical School; 2016 December 7; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Gender Surgery Overview; Presented at the Department of Urology Grand Rounds; University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, McGovern Medical School; 2017 April 20; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D.J., Gender Surgery Review; Presented at the Montrose Center: community LGBTQ center; 2017 August 18; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Transgender Surgery: The Basics; Presented at the Department of Surgery Grand Rounds; University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, McGovern Medical School; 2017 August 24; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Key Note Speaker, The Student Clinician Ceremony, Arnold P. Gold Foundation; University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, McGovern Medical School; 2018 June 22; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Key Note Speaker, The White Coat Ceremony, Arnold P. Gold Foundation; Hobby Center; 2018 August 2; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Complex Soft Tissue Reconstruction of the Face; Presented at Multidisciplinary Facial Trauma Conference; University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, McGovern Medical School; 2018 August 16; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Gender Affirmation Surgery; Presented at the American Medical Student Association Gender and Sexuality Meeting; University of Texas Health Science Center, McGovern Medical School; 2018 October 10; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Gender Affirmation Surgery; Presented to the Student Diversity Committee; University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, McGovern Medical School; 2018 October 22; Houston, Tx.

Freet, D. J., Gender Affirmation Surgery; Presented to Transgender Studies class; Rice University; 2018 November 5; Houston, Tx.

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATIONS/POSTERS:**

Zebda, D., Naqvi, S., Caceres, K., Karni, R. J., Freet, D., Ho, T.: Clavicular Bone Graft Harvest with Supraclavicular Artery Island Flap for Reconstruction of Composite Head and Neck Defect. The Triological Society (American Laryngological, Rhinological and Otological Society) Annual Meeting; 2016 May; Chicago, Il.

Stewart, C., Greives, M. R., Freet, D. J.; The Cross-Leg Flap: A Single Institution's experience. Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons Annual Meeting; 2016 September 9-11; San Antonio, Tx.

Stewart, C., Smith, B., Freet, D. J.; Fluoroscopic Radiation Burn of the Arm Secondary to Cardiac Procedure Treated with Radial Forearm Flap and Skin Graft: A Case Report. Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons Annual Meeting; 2016 September 9-11; San Antonio, Tx.

Stewart, C., Canzoneri, C., Freet, D. J.; Post-Surgical Pyoderma Gangrenosum: A ten-year follow-up of a single case. Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons Annual Meeting; 2016 September 9-11; San Antonio, Tx.

Stewart, C., Canzoneri, C., Huzar, T., George, T., Freet, D. J.; Post-Surgical Pyoderma Gangrenosum: A Case Report of a Patient Treated on Our Burn Unit with 10-year Follow-Up. Southern Region Burn Conference; 2016 November 4-6; Atlanta, Ga.

Canzoneri, C., Freet, D. J.; Total Anterior Abdominal Wall Reconstruction: from Xiphoid to Pubis, using a Pedicled Anterolateral Thigh Flap: a case report; Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons Annual Meeting; 2017 September 15-17; Fort Worth, Tx.

Patel, S., Blakkolb, C., Marques, E., Freet, D. J.; DIEP Flap Breast Reconstruction Performed at a Small, Community Based Safety-Net Hospital, with Comparison of Outcomes to the American College of Surgeons National Surgical Quality Improvement Program and the American Society of Plastic Surgeons TOPS (Tracking Operations and Outcomes for Plastic Surgeons) Program; Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons Annual Meeting; 2017 September 15-17; Fort Worth, Tx.

Canzoneri, C., Huzar, T., George, T., Freet, D. J.; The use of the Cross-Leg flap for lower extremity reconstruction in the Burn Patient. Southern Region Burn Conference; 2017 November 2-5; Miami, Fl.

Patel, S., Freet, D. J.: The use of the “Zipper Flap” in free tissue transfer to the burned lower extremity; Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons Annual Meeting; 2018 September 14-16; San Antonio, Tx.

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATIONS/VIDEO:**

Freet, D. J.; Home Urinary Catheter Care: a patient instructional video, Harris Health System.