

# LOUIS KUCHNIR, MD, PhD

**Kuchnir Dermatology & Dermatologic Surgery** 2001-present  
Founding Physician. This private practice, historically affiliated with the UMass Medical School, provides care in Marlborough, Milford, Shrewsbury and Framingham, Massachusetts. Its dual mission is to provide expert consultative dermatologic care and to contribute to the education of medical students, primary care residents, and future dermatologists in Massachusetts. Fifteen board-certified dermatologists have seen over 100,000 patients, primarily in consultation at the request of physicians from UMassMemorial, Marlborough, Milford, and MetroWest Hospitals.

**Program Director, Gap Year Program in Dermatology** 2012-present  
Founding Director. Over one hundred of the country's most promising future physicians have been employed and mentored by Massachusetts dermatologists between college and medical school. Currently sixty-three medical students benefit from this experience during their doctoral programs.

**President, Massachusetts Academy of Dermatology** 2009-2015  
Elected in 2009 and re-elected in 2012 by the membership of 230 board-certified dermatologists. The MassAcademy supports dermatologists with education, collegiality, and advocacy at two major annual meetings which are planned at monthly board meetings.

**Chair, State Society Development Task Force** 2015-present  
American Academy of Dermatology

**University of Massachusetts Medical School** 2001-present  
Instructor, Division of Dermatology, Department of Medicine.

## RESIDENCY

**University of Massachusetts Medical School** 1998-2001  
Resident & Chief Resident, Division of Dermatology.

**Lahey Clinic** 1997-1998  
Intern, Department of Medicine.

## EDUCATION

**Washington University School of Medicine** **M.D.** 1993-1997  
John Kissane Distinguished Alumni Scholar  
(Four-year, Full-tuition, Merit Scholarship funded by WUSM alumni.)  
Henry Yalem Prize in Dermatology.

**Harvard University** **Ph.D.** 1987-1993  
Physical Chemistry, Department of Chemistry.  
"Peptide Backbone Potential Function Development and Characterization"  
Thesis advisor – Martin Karplus – 2013 Nobel Laureate (Chemistry)  
National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship.  
Fannie and John Hertz Foundation Graduate Fellowship.  
Pew Teaching Leadership Award.  
Teaching Consultant at the Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning.  
Head Teaching Fellow for Honors General Chemistry (Chem 10)

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology** **S.B.** 1983-1987  
Chemistry & Biology double major. Phi Beta Kappa. Alpha Chi Sigma.  
Teaching Assistant for Chemical Thermodynamics (Chem 5.60)

## CIVIC

**Massachusetts Board of Registration of Physician Assistants** 2001-2007  
Board Member. Appointed by Governor Jane Swift.

**Southborough Library, Board of Trustees**, elected twice. 2003-2009

## LANGUAGES

**French:** fluently spoken and written. **Portuguese:** fluently spoken.