



# Chewing it over: Why what (and how) we eat has shaped primate and human evolution

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Repeated adaptations in the masticatory apparatus have continually redefined how vertebrates interact with their environment. Today, humans experience high rates of dental pathologies, and in comparison to other primates we have small jaws and teeth and a radically reorganized skull. This talk will explore patterns in the chewing apparatus in primates and humans, and how we can better understand how what we eat (and how we chew) has driven our evolution and the evolution of our closest relatives.

**Dr. Terhune's** research focuses on understanding the evolution and function of human and primate cranial morphology, and variation in human and non-human primate anatomy.

*This seminar is offered online only.*

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