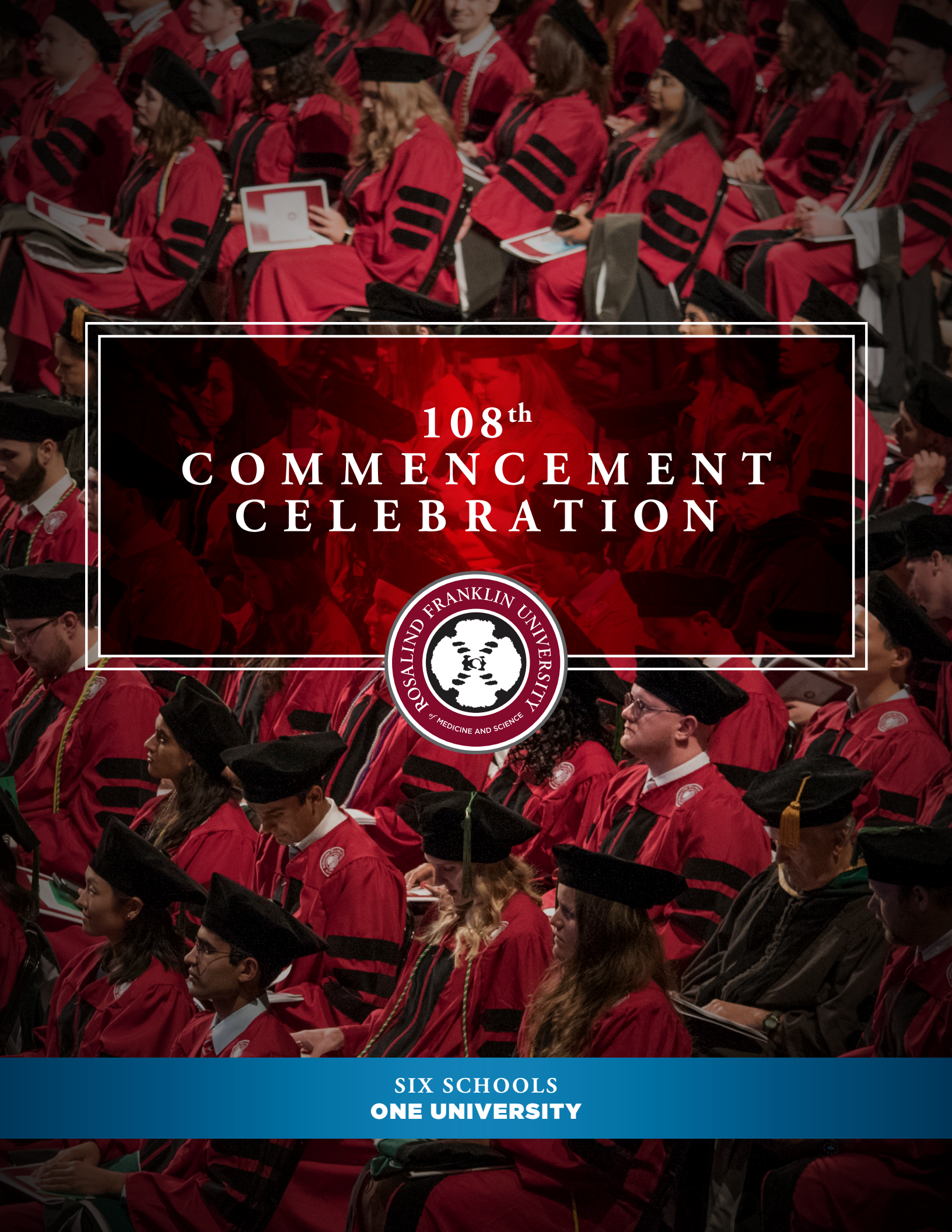

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ROSALIND FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY of MEDICINE AND SCIENCE

SIX SCHOOLS
ONE UNIVERSITY

LIFE *in* DISCOVERY

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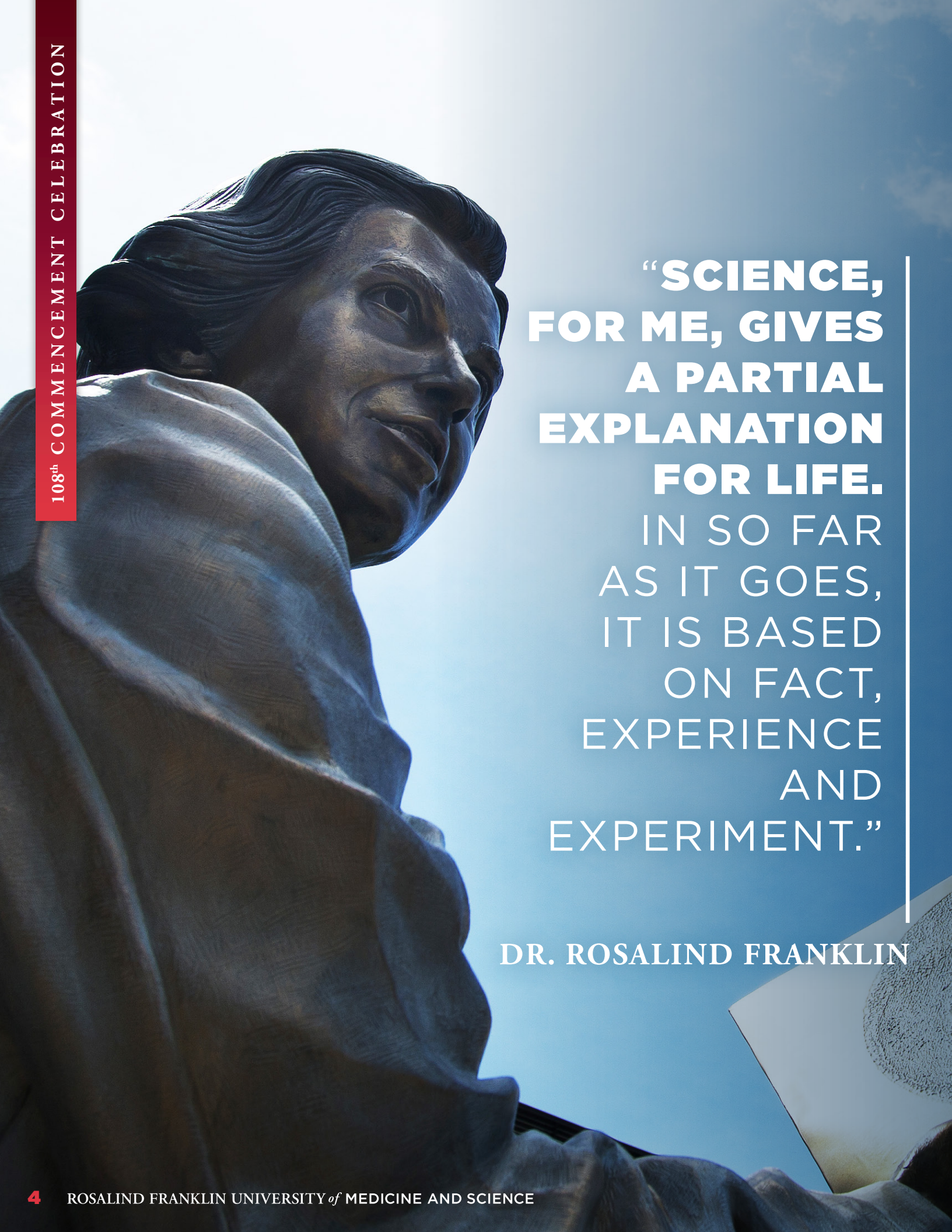

"SCIENCE, FOR ME, GIVES A PARTIAL EXPLANATION FOR LIFE. IN SO FAR AS IT GOES, IT IS BASED ON FACT, EXPERIENCE AND EXPERIMENT."

DR. ROSALIND FRANKLIN

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TRADITION

TO US IS **HONORING THE DISCOVERIES OF THOSE WHO CAME BEFORE US** BY CONTINUING TO IMPROVE HUMAN HEALTH.

MACE

First used in the 14th century, the academic mace descended from the club of Hercules. **It signifies that universities are custodians both of the enduring traditions of learning and of the power they bestow upon those who come to learn.** The mace, carried by a faculty marshal, leads the academic processional at the Commencement ceremony and resides to the right of the speaker's podium.

CAP AND TASSEL

The academic cap has become a sign of the freedom of scholarship. The six-sided tam is reserved for graduates, and the eight-sided tam is worn by faculty. The hats feature a colorful tassel matching the hood color listed below that is moved from right to left after the candidate has graduated. Administrators, faculty and alumni with advanced degrees who participate in the ceremony wear a gold tassel to the left on their caps.

CHAIN OF OFFICE

Worn by leaders since the time of the Roman Empire, the Chain of Office represents leadership and position. The chain is worn by the president or chancellor of a university and is passed down in succession. The current RFU chain of office was crafted in 2013 and features a medallion of the university seal along with four smaller pendants featuring "Photograph 51," the image captured by Dr. Rosalind Franklin that led to the discovery of the structure of DNA.

ROBE AND HOOD

RFU robes are maroon with black accents. Robes of those receiving a master's degree have oblong sleeves. Doctoral robes are adorned with three velvet chevrons on each bell-shaped sleeve. The robe of the university president is adorned with an additional chevron on the sleeves.

Hoods are worn by those receiving a master's or doctoral degree. The backs of the hoods are lined with colorful silk determined by the institution granting the degree. At RFU, hoods of the following colors represent a specific college or program:

KELLY GREEN: DOCTOR OF MEDICINE (MD)
APRICOT: DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE (DNP)
OLIVE GREEN: DOCTOR OF PHARMACY (PharmD)
ROYAL BLUE: DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PhD)
PEACOCK: DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY (DPT)
NILE GREEN: DOCTOR OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE (DPM)
GOLD: MASTER OF SCIENCE (MS), DOCTOR OF SCIENCE (DSc)

2,123 STUDENTS
30+ PROGRAMS
1 UNIVERSITY

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT IS IN OUR DNA

Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science (RFU) is named for Dr. Rosalind Franklin, the pioneering British researcher who captured "Photograph 51" of the "B" form of DNA in 1952 while at King's College London. This photograph revealed the structure of DNA, the key to understanding how the blueprint for every living thing is passed down from generation to generation.

Today, Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science carries on her legacy of inquiry, diligence and academic excellence. Formed in 1912 as the Chicago Hospital-College of Medicine, the university is a national leader in interprofessional medical and healthcare education.

ROSALIND FRANKLIN, PhD
Researcher, University Namesake

OUR MISSION

The mission of Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science is to serve humanity through the interprofessional education of health and biomedical professionals, and the discovery of knowledge dedicated to improving wellness. Today, the university is shaping the future of health care through rigorous education, pioneering biomedical research and innovative community service.

OUR VISION

The vision of Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science is to be the premier interprofessional health sciences university. Sharing our accomplishments and contributing to the evidence base for science, interprofessional education and practice will help build a safer, more responsive, coordinated system of patient care, prevention and wellness.

OUR CORE VALUES

Civility · Diversity · Excellence · Innovation · Integrity · Scholarship · Teamwork

THE RFU DIFFERENCE
INTERPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

At Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, we believe in breaking down academic barriers. We take an interprofessional approach to education, so our students learn from and work with peers in other specializations from the beginning of their time here.

That's especially important, as healthcare teams play an increasingly vital role in medicine. At RFU, we prepare students for the future by integrating collaboration and teamwork into education. Having more than 30 graduate health professions and science programs in one university creates great opportunities to do that.

Additionally, each first-year student in our clinical programs takes the Foundations for Interprofessional Practice course during the fall quarter. This class, which acts as the foundation for an integrated interprofessional education experience, brings students from all academic programs together to learn from one another, get oriented to the culture of health care and start interacting in small, interprofessional teams.

"ROSALIND FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY IS MODELING HOW UNIVERSITIES AND HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS CAN WORK WITH AND ON BEHALF OF COMMUNITIES **TO IMPROVE HEALTH."**

DR. WENDY RHEAULT
PRESIDENT AND CEO
ROSALIND FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY

YOUR EDUCATION AND TRAINING POSITION YOU AT THE FOREFRONT OF CHANGE: INTERPROFESSIONAL, TEAM-BASED COLLABORATIVE LEARNING, PRACTICE AND SCHOLARSHIP.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, faculty and staff, I extend sincere congratulations to the members of our Class of 2022.

The entire RFU community celebrates your academic achievement, which prepares you to transform the future of health care, wellness and biomedical discovery at a critical time in our history. Your education and training in interprofessional, collaborative practice will help you lead innovations that have a profound and lasting impact.

The degrees conferred on you today offer not only proof of the knowledge you have gained but also the understanding that your learning is only beginning. Your diplomas represent your hard work, personal sacrifice and resilience as you have risen to meet the challenges of another pandemic year. They also symbolize the bond you share with RFU and its more than 20,000 alumni, a powerful network dedicated to the discovery of knowledge, improved health and well-being.

As alumni, your academic and professional accomplishments will reflect proudly on RFU. I encourage you to stay connected with our university and each other, and to extend a hand to new generations of professionals who, like you, are determined to take up their calling in the health and biomedical sciences.

Your success is both a personal achievement and a collective effort. We join the members of the Class of 2022 in grateful appreciation for the family and friends who have supported their hopes and aspirations throughout their journey.

WENDY RHEAULT, PT, PhD, FASAHP, FNAP, DipACLM

THE PROCESSIONAL

Grand Marshal
Master Teacher Guild
Deans
Board of Trustees
Honorary Degree Recipients
Provost
Chair, Board of Trustees
President and CEO
Faculty Marshals
Faculty
Student Marshals
Candidates for Degrees

GRAND MARSHAL

Neil A. Bradbury, PhD
Physiology and Biophysics, Foundational Sciences and Humanities, CMS

MASTER TEACHER GUILD

Marc S. Abel, PhD, Master Teacher Emeritus
Neil A. Bradbury, PhD
Jeffrey Bulger, PhD
James R. Carlson, PhD '12, PA-C '01
Carl Correll, PhD
Catherine Gierman-Riblon, DSc '14, RN
Sean Kane, PharmD
Hector Rasgado-Flores, PhD

FACULTY MARSHALS

Sarah Garber, PhD
Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences, COP

Kavork Hagopian, PT, DPT '14, MBA
Assistant Professor, Physical Therapy, CHP

Ann Snyder, PhD
Associate Professor, Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology, Foundational Sciences and Humanities, CMS

Qeena Woodard, DPM '03
Associate Professor, Podiatric Surgery and Applied Biomechanics, SCPM

ORDER OF EXERCISES

THE PROCESSIONAL
Pomp and Circumstance

GRAND MARSHAL
Neil A. Bradbury, PhD
Professor of Physiology and Biophysics, Foundational Sciences and Humanities, CMS

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

WELCOME
Nancy L. Parsley, DPM, MHPE
Provost

AUTHORIZATION OF DEGREE CONFERRAL
Beth Coulson, MBA
Chair, Board of Trustees

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS
Wendy Rheault, PT, PhD, FASAHP, FNAP, DipACLM
President and CEO

GRADUATE ADDRESS
Meera Tavathia Odunewu, MS '22

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE AND PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE
Wendy Rheault, PT, PhD, FASAHP, FNAP, DipACLM
President and CEO

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
David A. Edwards, PhD

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES
Nancy L. Parsley, DPM, MHPE
Provost

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Joseph X. DiMario, PhD
Dean, School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies

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Patrick Knott, PhD, PA-C, MS '06
Interim Dean, College of Health Professions

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE, CHP
Patrick Knott, PhD, PA-C, MS '06
Interim Dean, College of Health Professions

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE
Stephanie Wu, DPM, MSc, FACFAS
Dean, Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF MEDICINE, CMS
Archana Chatterjee, MD, PhD
Dean, Chicago Medical School

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHARMACY
Scott Hanes, PharmD
Interim Dean, College of Pharmacy

CONFERRING OF DEGREES
Doctor of Philosophy, SGPS

Doctor of Philosophy, CHP

Doctor of Nursing Practice

Doctor of Physical Therapy

Master of Science, CHP

Doctor of Philosophy and Doctor of Podiatric Medicine

Doctor of Podiatric Medicine

Doctor of Philosophy and Doctor of Medicine

Doctor of Medicine

Doctor of Pharmacy

ALUMNI WELCOME
Sidharth Mahapatra, MD '09, PhD '07

OATH OF GENEVA
Kimberly Darey, MD '04

CONCLUDING REMARKS
Nancy L. Parsley, DPM, MHPE
Provost

RECESSIONAL
The audience will please remain seated and keep the aisles clear while the procession is entering and leaving Credit Union 1 Arena and throughout the Commencement exercises in compliance with regulations of the arena. Guests are prohibited from entering the arena floor.

Please refrain from applause during the conferring of degrees.

Names of the graduates listed in this program are correct as of May 19, 2022.

"EXCELLENCE

TO ME IS **WAKING UP EVERY DAY ASPIRING TO BECOME A BETTER VERSION OF MYSELF** WHILE LIVING LIFE WITH INTEGRITY, POSITIVITY AND COMPASSION."

MEERA TAVATHIA ODUNEWU, MS '22
College of Health Professions, Physician Assistant, Class of 2022

RECOGNIZING GRADUATES FROM OUR
106th COMMENCEMENT CELEBRATION

COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

INTERPROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE STUDIES

Kristin Arneson Mahr
"Analysis of the Perceptions of Interprofessional Education"

DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Michelle Suzanne Stachowiak

MASTER OF SCIENCE

HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

Vanessa Rene'e Knox-Harris
Kaitlyn Suzanne Konowitz
Olivia Mariah Livingston

POPULATION HEALTH

Oscar Hernandez

CHICAGO MEDICAL SCHOOL

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE

Vanessa S. Rose - Family Medicine
Northwestern/McGaw, IL

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Jacqueline Josefina Aguilar
Amber Nicole Lucas-Hudson
Aneike Nicole Spence

108th COMMENCEMENT CELEBRATION

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL STUDIES

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREE

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

MICROBIOLOGY AND IMMUNOLOGY

Akshaya T. Ramachandran
"Regulation of NLRP3 inflammasome and lipid metabolism during hepatitis C virus infection"

Katharine Wolf
"Uterine Natural Killer cells control angiogenesis and vascular remodeling during pregnancy through two distinct mechanisms"

NEUROSCIENCE

Sean C. Schrank
"Advancements in Neurodegenerative Disease Models: Human Induced Neurons Can Be Used to Elucidate Complex Disease Pathologies"

PHYSIOLOGY AND BIOPHYSICS

Salvatore Robert Aiello
"Amplitude Spectral Area to Assess Hemodynamic and Metabolic Interventions during Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation"

108th COMMENCEMENT CELEBRATION

COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREE

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

INTERPROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE STUDIES

Tracy Ann Christopherson
"Exploring the Interprofessional Collaborative Practice Knowledge and Dual Identity of Interprofessional Shared-Governance Members in Healthcare"

Sherita La Shaun Meyer-Gauen
"An Exploratory Study of Real World Practices in Interprofessional Education Activity Design"

April Dawn Snipes Newton
"Interprofessional Team Simulation Further Enhances Collaboration Compared to Uniprofessional Team Simulation: A Mixed Methods Study"

PSYCHOLOGY

Courtney N. Beussink
"Using Affect-Biased Attention to Examine Emotional Functioning in Psychopathy: Innate Deficits or Maladaptive Regulation?"

Lindsey Therese Bugno
"Utility of Protection Motivation Theory for Understanding Behavioral Intention and Adherence to Protective Health Behaviors Related to COVID-19"

Gregory Michael Dams
"Effects of Symptom Change on Executive Functioning in Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder: An Evaluation of the Executive Overload Model"

Milena Yurievna Gotra
"Differences in Genetic Liability Across Cognitively Impaired Subgroups of Psychosis"

Karolina Anna Grotkowski
"Development and Examination of the Polish Negative Mood Regulation Expectancies Scale"

Madeline May Jiang Konsor
"The Social Support for Eating Habits Survey: Psychometric Properties with a Community-Based Sample of Mexican and Puerto Rican Men and Women"

Brandon W. Reed
"The Role of Daily Hassles in the Relationship between Negative Mood Regulation Expectancies and Alcohol Use"

Tasha Rhoads
"Cognitive and Psychological Predictors of Spinal Cord Stimulator Surgery Completion and Pain Reduction Following Surgery"

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Julian Avery Armstrong
Amy Joy Avila
Melissa Beck
Ebonee Monique Blake
Ymore Cave
Alexander Harrison Corbitt
Mallory Joan Cotter
Taryn N. Degeneffe
Andrew Dimmen
Jeremy Doncouse
Frances DoRosario
Terrell Alan Foster
Diana Evette Garcia
Sawyer Henderson
Andrea Ericksen Hicks
Sarah Patrick Hoffman
Floyd L.B. Holland Jr.
Gabriel Joseph Illovsky
Reenu James
Alison Lagow
Jonathan C. Langan
Maureen Ziwa Leidecker
Alyssa M. LeSeure
Dandi Lin
Paul Aaron Matter
Andre Nixon
Peter James Olakowski
Eduardo Ornelas
Jeffrey Richard Sawyer
Briana Smith
Muzammil Omar Soorma
Kara Thomsen
Johanne Elaine Thruman
Sara Timko
Brooke L. Williams

DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Kevin V. Au
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Kathleen Elizabeth Beccavin
Daniel Cavato
Jackson Davenport
Lauren Michele Deets
William Delaney
Nathan William Dingess
Erika Eiesland
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Richard Steven Erler
Jeison Albert Dacanay Esmundo
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Halle Eileen Flate
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Timothy Joseph Furland
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Brittany Marie Griggers
Tyler Anthony Grotti
Kristen Elizabeth Hackel
Peter Joseph Hahn
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Taylar J. Harris
Sophia Hdija
Dayna Huor
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Tiana Marie Karopulos
Michelle DeGuia Laygo
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Dominika Manko
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Kyle Robert Winiger

MASTER OF SCIENCE

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

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Justine Nicole Li
Cora Noel Lindberg
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Cameron Marzvaan
Nicholas A. Mendez
Juhi Mody
Ju Young Oh
Neil Outarsingh
Pooja Samir Patel
Carina Elizabeth Patrick
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Megan Michelle Shambaugh
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DR. WILLIAM M. SCHOLL COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREE

DOCTOR OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE AND DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Timothy Cheung, PhD '20
"The identification and characterization of genetic regulators that control SLO-1 BK channel densities in *Caenorhabditis elegans*"

Yale-New Haven Hospital, New Haven, CT

DOCTOR OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

Marall Abbaszadeh
Boston University Medical Center PMSR/RRA, Boston, MA

Neveen Abuali
Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center and Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, Chicago, IL

Abraham Zia Adam
Henry Ford Macomb Hospital, Clinton Township, MI

Miles G. Adams
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HealthPartners Institute/Regions Hospital, St. Paul, MN

Mohammed Yusuf Aslam
Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, IL

Yahya Ayesh
OSF HealthCare Saint Anthony Medical Center, Rockford, IL

Regan Katherine Bond
Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center and Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, Chicago, IL

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Henry Ford Macomb Hospital, Clinton Township, MI

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Intermountain Medical Center, Murray, UT

Irwin Cho

Zackary Joseph Clor
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SSM Health DePaul Hospital, Bridgeton, MO

Eric Dalton Deig
Ascension St. Vincent Hospital Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN

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DVA - Eastern Colorado Health Care System, Aurora, CO

Raluca Alexandra Dima
AdventHealth East Orlando, Orlando, FL

David Ronald Dummer
DVA - Jesse Brown Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Chicago, IL

Sahjar A. Eljaua Velez
Beaumont Health-Wayne, Wayne, MI

John Adel Faltaous
University Hospital, Newark, NJ

Adam Michael Ferguson
DVA-Eastern Colorado Health Care System, Aurora, CO

Alexander M. Fried
Yale-New Haven Hospital, New Haven, CT

Kamden Taylor Gahr
Rush University Medical Center, Oak Park, IL

Sarah Ann Gulczynski
DVA - Jesse Brown Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Chicago, IL

Shreya Gupta
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Lou Ann Hall Matos
Saint Joseph Health System, Mishawaka, IN

Chelsae Hughes
Heritage Valley Beaver, Beaver, PA

Marina Isac
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UF Health Jacksonville, Jacksonville, FL

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UPMC Medical Education-Mercy, Pittsburgh, PA

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Franciscan Health Hammond/Dyer/Munster and Midwestern University Arizona School of Podiatric Medicine, Munster, IN

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Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, IL

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MercyOne Waterloo Medical Center, Waterloo, IA

Alan Lazzar
DVA - Carl T. Hayden Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Phoenix, AZ

Lance Christopher Lundie
Detroit Medical Center, Detroit, MI

Sandra J. Luu
Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, IL

Michael Mancano
AMITA Health Saint Joseph Hospital Chicago, Chicago, IL

Lauren Alexandra Michels
Advocate Christ Medical Center, Oak Lawn, IL

Shajira Sheerin Mohammed
Larkin Community Hospital, South Miami, FL

Austin Michael Mueller
OSF HealthCare Saint Anthony Medical Center, Rockford, IL

Anooshay Naveed
Detroit Medical Center, Detroit, MI

Hoang Nguyen
St. Mary Mercy Livonia, Livonia, MI

Diana Tran Park
DVA - New Mexico Veterans Affairs Health Care System and Kaiser Foundation Hospital, Albuquerque, NM

Dylan Jagdish Patel
Advocate Christ Medical Center, Oak Lawn, IL

Karishma Patel
University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA

Neathie Minesh Patel
East Liverpool City Hospital, East Liverpool, OH

Niral Ashok Patel
Ascension St. Vincent Hospital Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN

Raj Patel
Cooper University Hospital, Camden, NJ

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Catholic Health System-Sisters of Charity Hospital, Buffalo, NY

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Carilion Clinic, Roanoke, VA

Katherine Samuelson
St. Mary Mercy Livonia, Livonia, MI

Daniella M. Scarazza

Magnus Schlyer
Legacy Health, Portland, OR

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Ascension Wisconsin Hospital, Milwaukee, WI

Ashish Nikunj Shah

Saima S. Sharf
Swedish Covenant Hospital, Chicago, IL

Ruben Silva
DVA - William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Affairs Hospital, Madison, WI

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Kaitlyn Vu
DVA - Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center, North Chicago, IL

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Community Health Network, Indianapolis, IN

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Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital, Dixon, IL

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AMITA Health Saint Joseph Hospital Chicago, Chicago, IL

Renee J. Weil
Ascension Macomb Oakland Hospital, Warren, MI

Seth Jordan Wimbley
Detroit Medical Center, Detroit, MI

Molly Elise Young
Community Health Network, Indianapolis, IN

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Weiss Memorial Hospital, Chicago, IL

Robert Allen Ziffra
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CHICAGO MEDICAL SCHOOL

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREE

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE AND DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Adriana Maria Fresquez, PhD '20 - Pediatrics
"Store-operated calcium entry is regulated by hydrogen sulfide and plays a key role in driving macrophage chemotaxis"

University of Pittsburgh Medical Center-PA

Theodore Vincent Peterson, PhD '20 - Radiology-Interventional
"Vacuolar ATPase a2-subunit is a Multifocal Regulator of T Cell Development"

University of Minnesota Medical School-MN

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE

EMMANUEL COMMUNITY

Saira Ahmed - Surgery-Preliminary
University of Illinois College of Medicine-Chicago-IL

Mohammed Salman Akhter - Surgery-Preliminary
Kaiser Permanente-CA

Jaspreet Amar - Radiology-Diagnostic
Cooper University Hospital-NJ
Medicine-Preliminary
AMITA St. Francis Hospital-IL

Kelsey Marie Bacidore - Emergency Medicine
Loyola University Medical Center-IL

Ruhi Bari - Internal Medicine
Mercy Health GME Consortium-IL

David Lukas Belohlavek - Internal Medicine
University of Chicago Medical Center-IL

Stephen Biebelhausen - Emergency Medicine
Akron General Medical Center/NEOMED-OH

Andrew Joseph Bush – Transitional Year
HCA Las Palmas del Sol Healthcare-TX

Megan Chan - Emergency Medicine
University of Illinois College of Medicine-Chicago-IL

Michael James Chaney - General Surgery
Western Michigan University Stryker-MI

Sabrina Chaudhry-Yaqub - Psychiatry
Carle Foundation Hospital-IL

Tim Colombo - Radiology-Diagnostic
Henry Ford Hospital-MI

Sarah Davidson - Pathology
Yale-New Haven Hospital-CT

John Fudala - Emergency Medicine
University of Illinois College of Medicine-Chicago-IL

Navroop Kaur Gill - Surgery-Preliminary
Loyola University Medical Center-IL

Brandon Tucker Golant - Radiology-Interventional
Louisiana State University HSC-Shreveport-LA

Max Greenberg - Internal Medicine
Penn State Hershey Medical Center-PA

Alaa Hajeissa - Psychiatry
University of Illinois College of Medicine-IL

Courtney Patrice Hatcher - Family Medicine
Lawndale Christian Health Center-IL

Daniel Patrick Hivick - Radiology-Interventional
Cleveland Clinic Foundation-OH
Medicine-Preliminary
Christ Hospital-OH

Andrew Bo-Hua Ji - Psychiatry
Cone Health-NC

Paul John - Family Medicine
MacNeal Hospital-IL

Kewmars Keyvani - Family Medicine
Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center-WI

Pavan K. Kottamasu - Radiology-Interventional
University of Rochester/Strong Memorial-NY
Medicine-Preliminary
Griffin Hospital-CT

Melissa A. Kubacki - Emergency Medicine
Northwestern McGaw/NMH/VA-IL

Grant Michael Lewin - General Surgery
St. Louis University School of Medicine-MO

Vicente Xavier Ramirez Loera - Emergency Medicine
HCA Houston Healthcare/U Houston-TX

Peter Landergren Lorenz - Emergency Medicine/ Family Medicine
Christiana Care-DE

Jason Naderi - Internal Medicine
Olive View-UCLA Medical Center-CA

Sherwin Nassiri - Radiology-Diagnostic
Advocate Health Care/Masonic Medical Center-IL
Transitional Year
University of Miami School of Medicine/Holy Cross-FL

Augusta Chinelo Okolo - Internal Medicine
Advocate Health Care/Lutheran General Hospital-IL

Neil Patel - Family Medicine
University of Illinois College of Medicine-Rockford-IL

Ellen Louise Peterson - Internal Medicine
Indiana University School of Medicine-IN

Dikshita Poudel - Internal Medicine
Western Michigan University Stryker-MI

Simone Elizabeth Raiter - Radiology-Interventional
University of Colorado School of Medicine-CO
Medicine-Preliminary
St. Joseph Hospital SCL Health-CO

Alissa Rae Resnikoff - Neurology
Rush University Medical Center-IL

Bryan James Ricci - Transitional Year
St. Mary Mercy Hospital-MI

James Craig Roberts Jr. - Pediatrics
Duke University Medical Center-NC

Ashley Rebecca Schaefer - Family Medicine
Advocate Health Care/Lutheran General Hospital-IL

Zachariah Shalginewicz - Pediatrics
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center-PA

Matthew Sam So

Amy Elizabeth Strom - Family Medicine
Hinsdale Hospital-IL

Jenna Rae Sutton - Internal Medicine
Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine-NV

Shahrukh Ali Syed - Emergency Medicine
Nuvance Hospital-NY

Yukyee Tsang - Pediatrics
Advocate Health Care/Christ Medical Center-IL

Ryan Tsu - Neurology
University of Illinois School of Medicine-Chicago-IL

Zhaoyang Wen – Medicine-Preliminary
St. Mary's Medical Center-CA

Jeremy Roger Wolfe - Psychiatry
RFUMS/Chicago Medical School-IL

Sophia Ann Yang - Internal Medicine
Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliate Hospitals-WI

FINKEL COMMUNITY

Arjun Ahuja - Radiology-Diagnostic
Advocate Health Care/Masonic Medical Center-IL
Transitional Year
McNeal Hospital-IL

Thomas Daniel Alter - Orthopaedic Surgery
Mayo Clinic School of Graduate Medical Education-MN

Leslie A. Amonoo - Family Medicine
University of Illinois College of Medicine-Chicago-IL

Jack William Armitage - Internal Medicine
Oregon Health & Science University-OR

Matthew Li-An Au - Internal Medicine
Rutgers-New Jersey Medical School-NJ

Ariel M. Azhdam - Internal Medicine
Loma Linda University-CA

Alissa Danielle Borowsky - Psychiatry
Advocate Health Care/Lutheran General Hospital-IL

Kelsey Elizabeth Bria - Internal Medicine
Barnes-Jewish Hospital-MO

James Burke - Surgery-Preliminary
Sunrise Health GME Consortium-NV

Thomas Sullivan Cerri - Internal Medicine
Indiana University School of Medicine-IN

Alison Marie Cottrell - Family Medicine
University of Colorado School of Medicine-CO

Ria Datta - Psychiatry
RFUMS/Chicago Medical School-IL

Rachel Davidov - Anesthesiology
Beth Israel Deconness Medical Center-MA

Kathryn Elizabeth Field - Obstetrics and Gynecology
Advocate Health Care/Masonic Medical Center-IL

Alfonso Geovanni Gomez - Pediatrics
University of Minnesota Medical School-MN

Georg Gussak - Internal Medicine
Loyola University Medical Center-IL

Haleigh Marie Hunter - Family Medicine
University of Tennessee Graduate School of Medicine-TN

Adnan Husein - Neurology
UCLA Medical Center-CA
Medicine-Preliminary
UCLA Medical Center-CA

Apoorva S. Iyengar - Pediatrics
Zucker School of Medicine-Northwell Cohen Children's-NY

Harshita Jain - Internal Medicine
Emory University-GA

Roche Kapoor - Internal Medicine
New York University/Langone-NY

Lindsay Ann Karson - Radiology-Diagnostic

Abel Ketema

Michael R. Koscielniak - Radiology-Diagnostic
Rush University Medical Center-IL
Transitional Year
Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliate Hospitals-WI

Ngoc-Anh Nguyen Le - Obstetrics and Gynecology
University of Arizona College of Medicine-AZ

Nam Kyung Lee - Radiology-Diagnostic
University of Texas Southwestern Medical School-TX
Medicine-Preliminary
Advocate Health Care/Lutheran General Hospital-IL

Jaclyn R. Long - Family Medicine
Providence Hospital-AK

Maritza Martin - Family Medicine
University of Illinois College of Medicine-IL

Brianna Allison Norris - Medicine/Pediatrics
University of Arizona College of Medicine-AZ

Lisandra Ochoa - Pediatrics
UCLA Medical Center-CA

Travis O'Rear - Neurology
Loyola University Medical Center-IL

Anige'r Atavianeih Reenea Oriol - Internal Medicine
UCLA Medical Center-CA

Kieran Elliot Palumbo - Internal Medicine
Montefiore Medical Center/Einstein-NY

Connor John Passalacqua - Family Medicine
Indiana University School of Medicine-IN

Paras J. Patel - Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliate Hospitals-WI
Medicine-Preliminary
Advocate Health Care/Masonic Medical Center-IL

Kaya Yalcin Petersen - Psychiatry
ISMMS Mt. Sinai Beth Israel-NY

Xuanzhen Piao - Radiology-Diagnostic
Boston University Medical Center-MA
Transitional Year
Coliseum Medical Centers-GA

Rodd Rahmani - Internal Medicine
Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine-NV

Ariba Raza - Neurology
Loyola University Medical Center-IL

Yanhan Ren - Ophthalmology
University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School-MA

Shermeen Sheikh - Psychiatry
RFUMS/Chicago Medical School-IL

Seher Siddiqui - Radiology, Diagnostic
University of Louisville School of Medicine-KY
Transitional Year
Memorial Healthcare System-FL

Jacqueline Hope Story-Remer - Family Medicine
Northwestern McGaw/NMH/VA-IL

Aleksandar Surjancev - Radiology-Diagnostic
Advocate Health Care/Masonic Medical Center-IL
Preliminary Medicine
Advocate Health Care/Masonic Medical Center-IL

Laurine A. Tiema-Benson - Medicine/Pediatrics
Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliate Hospitals-WI

Sophia Tsu - Psychiatry
Loyola University Medical Center-IL

Madelaine Wade - Family Medicine
John Peter Smith Hospital-TX

Li Wan - Family Medicine
HCA Medical City Healthcare-Arlington-TX

Phillip Williams - Emergency Medicine
Loyola University Medical Center-IL

Antoinette Wowolo - Surgery-Preliminary
Rutgers-R W Johnson Medical School-NJ

Ellen Yang - Ophthalmology
Cook County Health and Hospitals System-IL

Salmaan Shareef Zafer - General Surgery
Geisinger Health System-PA

Ali Zarandazchi - Family Medicine
Meritus Medical Center-MD

LIPSCHULTZ COMMUNITY

Shebere Tuke Adam - Family Medicine
Cook County Health and Hospitals Systems-IL

Mahta Amidi - Neurology
University of Texas Southwestern Medical School-TX

Paul Delaney Asheim - Pediatrics
University of Florida College of Medicine-FL

Kayla Arlene Balousek - Emergency Medicine
Swedish Hospital-IL

Taylor Wayne Burden - Emergency Medicine
Montefiore Medical Center/Einstein-NY

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George Washington University-DC

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AMITA Sts. Mary and Elizabeth Medical Center-IL

Kevin Jiashi Chen - Anesthesiology
Harbor-UCLA Medical Center-CA

Colin Matthew Coughlin - Internal Medicine
Advocate Health Care/Christ Medical Center-IL

Kevin Blase Delfino - Internal Medicine
Brown University/Rhode Island Hospital-RI

Paul Dobria - Radiology-Diagnostic
Rochester General Hospital-NY
Transitional Year
Weiss Memorial Hospital-IL

Ghita Elmejjati - Pediatrics-Preliminary
Westchester Medical Center-NY

Kelechi Enyinna Emuchay - Internal Medicine
Mercy Health GME Consortium-IL

Arjumand Fatima - Radiology-Diagnostic
University at Buffalo School of Medicine-NY
Transitional Year
Bassett Medical Center-NY

Allison Leigh Gelfond - General Surgery
Carle Foundation Hospital-IL

Patrick Adam Glista - Radiology-Diagnostic
University of Cincinnati Medical Center-OH
Transitional Year
AMITA St. Francis Hospital-IL

Christopher James Hamilton - Radiology-Diagnostic
Yale-New Haven Hospital-CT
Transitional Year
AMITA St. Joseph Hospital-IL

Jaleesa M. Harris - Family Medicine
Cook County Health and Hospitals System-IL

Michaela Harrow-Mortelliti - Psychiatry
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center-NH

Thaddeus Robert Hawley - Emergency Medicine
Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliate Hospitals-WI

Victoria Nicole Hooker - Family Medicine
Advocate Health Care/Christ Medical Center-IL

Erin Frances Kelleher - Pediatrics
University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics-WI

Susmitha Kowligy - Family Medicine
MacNeal Hospital-IL

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University of Tennessee Health Science Center-TN

Joseph Young Lee - Anesthesiology
University of Chicago Medical Center-IL

Sabah Mahmood - Internal Medicine
Mercy Health GME Consortium-IL

Jose Leonel Martinez Perez - Internal Medicine
UC Davis Medical Center-CA

Patrick Stephen McCarthy - Internal Medicine
University of Maryland Medical Center-MD

Margaret A. Nixon - Obstetrics and Gynecology
Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliate Hospitals-WI

Philip Vasilios Papaioannou - Internal Medicine
University of Michigan Hospitals-MI

Benjamin Noah Parker - Surgery-Preliminary
Case Western/University Hospitals-OH

Nicki Patel - Pediatrics
University of Chicago Medical Center-IL

Akshay Patke - Psychiatry
University of Chicago Medical Center-IL

Akhil Peta - Urology
Hackensack University Medical Center-NJ

Sydney Eva Rabin - Internal Medicine
Rush University Medical Center-IL

Uros Rakita - Medicine-Preliminary
University of Alabama School of Medicine-AL

Kailin Elizabeth Cornwall Randolph - Family Medicine
University of Wisconsin/Public Health-WI

Christopher Martin Reggi - Psychiatry
Zucker School of Medicine-Northwell Mather-NY

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University of Virginia-VA

Bushraa Shamshuddin - Internal Medicine
Case Western/MetroHealth Medical Center-OH

A. Isabella Shanker - Pediatrics
University of Colorado School of Medicine-CO

Vikram J. Singh - Internal Medicine
University of Arizona College of Medicine-AZ

Kalyani Rajendra Sonarikar - Family Medicine
University of Rochester/Strong Memorial-NY

Joshua T. Sutherland - Internal Medicine
Advocate Health Care/Lutheran General Hospital-IL

Palwasha Syar - Ophthalmology
University of Texas/Methodist-TX
Medicine-Preliminary
University of Texas Medical Branch-TX

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Stephanie Ann Werner - Family Medicine
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University of Rochester/Strong Memorial-NY
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AMITA St. Francis Hospital-IL

Kayla Eileen Wilson - Medicine/Pediatrics
University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School-MA

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Geisinger Health System- PA

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Children's Hospital of Michigan-MI

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Case Western/University Hospitals-OH

Alex Paul Celmer - Obstetrics and Gynecology
University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center-TX

Andrew James Chapman - Neurology
University of Virginia-VA

Nicholas Anthony Colaluca - Ophthalmology
University of Florida College of Medicine-FL
Internal Medicine
University of Florida College of Medicine-FL

Kayla Rae Tolentino Cordova - Internal Medicine
UC San Diego Medical Center-CA

Winston Dang - Internal Medicine
Advocate Health Care/Christ Medical Center-IL

Daron Haig Dulgarian - Internal Medicine
Riverside University Health System-CA

Co Dinh Duong - Neurology
University of Colorado School of Medicine-CO

Sophia Martine Falmagne - Child Neurology
UC Irvine Medical Center-CA

Elianna Joelle Fred - Orthopaedic Surgery
Northwestern McGaw/NMH/VA-IL

Nadmid Baatar Gerelbat - Family Medicine
Texas Institute for Graduate Medical Education/Research-TX

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University of Washington Affiliate Hospitals-WA
Medicine-Preliminary
Advocate Health Care/Lutheran General Hospital-IL

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Beaumont Health-MI

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MacNeal Hospital-IL

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Northwestern McGaw/Lurie Children's-IL

Brian Russell Hughes - Internal Medicine
University of Colorado School of Medicine-CO

Rojin Kalantari - Pediatrics
Phoenix Children's Hospital-AZ

Denis Keljalic - Psychiatry
Advocate Health Care/Lutheran General Hospital-IL

Dami Kim - Anesthesiology
University of Illinois College of Medicine-IL

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Loyola University Medical Center-IL

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AMITA Resurrection Medical Center-IL

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Barnes-Jewish Hospital-NY

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University of Texas Health Science Center-TX

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Western Michigan University Stryker-MI

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Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania-PA

Mario Rako - Emergency Medicine
AMITA Resurrection Medical Center-IL

Hasan Sameer Raza - Internal Medicine
University of Illinois College of Medicine-Chicago-IL

Neel Alok Reddy - Medicine/Psychiatry
Tulane University School of Medicine-LA

Hamed Shafiuddin - Psychiatry
RFUMS/Chicago Medical School-IL

Shirali M. Shah - Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
Northwestern McGaw/RIC-IL
Transitional Year
AMITA St. Francis Hospital-IL

Brent Thomas Sherwood - Pediatrics
Carilion Clinic-Virginia Tech-VA

Payal Amit Shukla - Internal Medicine
Parkview Health-IN

Nikita Singh - Vascular Surgery
University of Arkansas College of Medicine-AR

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Rutgers-St. Barnabas Medical Center-NJ

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University of Chicago Medical Center-IL

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University of Colorado School of Medicine-CO

Camille Omski Talwar - Surgery-Preliminary
University of Kentucky-KY

Sujay Turakhia - Anesthesiology
Northwestern McGaw/NMH/VA-IL
Preliminary Medicine
St. Agnes Hospital-MD

Beryl Valentine - Pediatrics
MedStar Georgetown University Hospital-DC

Alexander David Woods - Dermatology
University of Illinois College of Medicine-Chicago-IL
Transitional Year
St. Mary Mercy Hospital-MI

Jackie Jiaqi Zhang - Family Medicine
Conroe Regional Medical Center-TX

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COLLEGE OF **PHARMACY**

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREE

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Nabaa Alnaseri

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Charmaine Bernardo

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Martha Lena Braun

Alexandria Brown

Emily Brown

David Patrick Bunting

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Kaleia Collins

David Courteau

Maulik Dave

Priti Kaur Dhami

Palak Amitkumar Gandhi

Nilufar Jalali

Julija Jurgilaite

Navpreet Kaur

Tehreem Khaliq

Philip Soon Woo Kwon

Nadia Lelikov

Shujie Lin

Bushra Mapara

Izaac Mbah

Yousuf Anwar Mustafa

Sabrina Bahrawer Najibi

Gabriel Andres Nazario Del Toro

Ariane Nwabo

Olanike F. Oladeji

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Juhi Patel

Kalpeshbhai S. Patel

Kishan Patel

Mikiben M. Patel

Corinne V. Reed

Vanessa Marie Rivera

Andrew J. Romero

Camisha Aquilla Ruffins

Ashley Lynn Sabat

Marko Sajic

Emily Louise Schilling

Sonya Sial

Imtiaz Siddiqui

Simona Nicoleta Silaghi

Mackenzie Paige Splitt

Julianne Marie Torres Albizu

Julieta B. Vaklin

Maximilian Vitas

Patrick Steven Vollmer

Cody Adam Wilgus

Carolina Woloszyn

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Rana S. Yatooma

Ayoung Yoo

Shamaila Zaheer

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREE
SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science continues its proud tradition of allowing graduates to identify significant mentors to present them as a candidate for degree during the Commencement ceremony. These mentors are faculty or alumni family members, or mentors from the profession.

Today, we welcome these presenters.

CHICAGO MEDICAL SCHOOL

Brian Abarbanel
Presented by: ***Geraldine Fox, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Shebere Tuke Adam
Presented by: ***Ahmad El-Hattab, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Mohammed Salman Akhter
Presented by: ***Iqbal Akhter, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Thomas Daniel Alter
Presented by: ***Daniel Alter, MD, PhD***
Mentor from respective profession

Jennifer Alvarez
Presented by: ***Hector Rasgado-Flores, PhD***
Mentor from respective profession

Paul Delaney Asheim
Presented by: ***Kathleen Remlinger, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Abdullah Ahmed Bheri
Presented by: ***Aasiya Mohammed, DDS***
Mentor from respective profession

Alison Marie Cottrell
Presented by: ***John Cottrell, DO***
Mentor from respective profession

Kelechi Emuchay
Presented by: ***Victoria Emuchay, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Brandon Tucker Golant
Presented by: ***Neil Allen, MD, R '71***
Faculty family member

Alfonso Geovanni Gomez
Presented by: ***Fred Richardson Jr., MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Alaa Hajeissa
Presented by: ***Sundeep Randhawa, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Courtney Patrice Hatcher
Presented by: ***Vanessa Rose, MD '20***
Mentor from respective profession

Rojin Kalantari
Presented by: ***Jalil Kalantari, MD '15, MS '11***
Alumni family member

Erin Frances Kelleher
Presented by: ***Victoria Tuchscherer, PhD '12, MS '08***
Alumni family member

Pavan K. Kottamasu
Presented by: ***Priya Gupta, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Sarah Marie Laudon
Presented by: ***Dennis Laudon, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Ngoc-Anh Nguyen Le
Presented by: ***Amina Ahmed, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Maritza Martin
Presented by: ***Fred Richardson Jr., MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Patrick Stephen McCarthy
Presented by: ***Susan Rausch, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Sharné Nyasha Morrow
Presented by: ***Jalila Hudson, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Jason Naderi
Presented by: ***Diana Naderi, MD '14***
Alumni family member

Margaret A. Nixon
Presented by: ***Alexander Nixon, MD '14, MS '10***
Alumni family member

Lisandra Ochoa
Presented by: ***Hector Rasgado-Flores, PhD***
Mentor from respective profession

Connor John Passalacqua
Presented by: ***Lori Passalacqua***
Mentor from respective profession

Jose Leonel Martinez Perez
Presented by: ***Hector Rasgado-Flores, PhD***
Mentor from respective profession

Diya Majumdar Perna
Presented by: ***Michael Perna, DDS***
Mentor from respective profession

Sydney Eva Rabin
Presented by: ***Barry Rabin, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Yanhan Ren
Presented by: ***Stuart Kiken, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

James Craig Roberts Jr.
Presented by: ***Fred Richardson Jr., MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Vanessa S. Rose
Presented by: ***Fred Richardson Jr., MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Hamed Shafiuddin
Presented by: ***Urooba Khaleelullah***
Mentor from respective profession

Bushraa Shamshuddin
Presented by: ***Mohammed Shamshuddin, MD, MOT***
Mentor from respective profession

Payal Amit Shukla
Presented by: ***Rashmi Shukla, DDS***
Mentor from respective profession

Seher Siddiqui
Presented by: ***Khalid Siddiqui, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Vikram J. Singh
Presented by: ***Kanwal J. Singh, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Kelsey Lynn Spear
Presented by: ***Gina Teresi, DPM '84***
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Joshua T. Sutherland
Presented by: ***David Akre, CRNA***
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Presented by: ***Cynthia Thomas, MD***
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Ryan Tsu
Presented by: ***Christine Nguyen, MD***
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Sophia Tsu
Presented by: ***Christine Nguyen, MD***
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Madelaine Wade
Presented by: ***Virginia Wade, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Stephanie Ann Werner
Presented by: ***Fred Richardson Jr., MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Phillip Williams
Presented by: ***Anthony Williams, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Salmaan Zafer
Presented by: ***Khaja Zaki, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Julian Avery Armstrong
Presented by: ***Kendera Armstrong, DNP***
Mentor from respective profession

Melissa Beck
Presented by: ***Marc Beck, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

Tracy Ann Christopherson
Presented by: ***Gerald Christopherson***
Mentor from respective profession

Terrell Alan Foster
Presented by: ***Captain James Winter II, MD***
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Brittany Marie Griggers
Presented by: ***Sara Koveleski Kraut, DPT '01***
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Vanessa Rene'e Knox-Harris
Presented by: ***Lisa Michener, PharmD***
Mentor from respective profession

Sophia Marcella Martinelli
Presented by: ***Allyson Patrick, BSN, RN, CPN***
Mentor from respective profession

Cristiane Megumi Hayato Unseth
Presented by: ***Kimberly Nelczyk, PA-C***
Mentor from respective profession

Joshua Ethan Kaplan
Presented by: ***Ronald Kaplan, PhD***
Faculty family member

Adila Kondic
Presented by: ***Aleksander Kondic, MD, R '08***
Alumni family member

Tasha Rhoads
Presented by: ***Scott Hill, PhD***
Mentor from respective profession

Jeffrey Richard Sawyer
Presented by: ***Garrett Sawyer, DNP, CRNA***
Mentor from respective profession

David Jessy Sierant
Presented by: ***Matthew Nuciforo, PT, DPT, PhD***
Mentor from respective profession

Alyssa Nicole Sloan
Presented by: ***Eric Sloan, MD '85*** *and* ***Stuart Meyer, MD '60***
Alumni family members

Brooke L. Williams
Presented by: ***Peter Kallio, DNP, CRNA, MSN, APNP***
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Kyle Robert Winiger
Presented by: ***Debbie Winiger, MD***
Mentor from respective profession

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

Julianne Torres Albizu
Presented by: ***Matt Somppi, PharmD***
Alumni family member

Lynda Azubuike
Presented by: ***Jon Kirklys, PharmD***
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Gregory Lynn Berry Jr.
Presented by: ***Kim Tran, PharmD '21***
Mentor from respective profession

Sabrina Najibi
Presented by: ***Neelam Sharma-Walia, PhD***
Mentor from respective profession

Camisha Aquilla Ruffins
Presented by: ***Dennis Garrett, MD '00***
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Cody Adam Wilgus
Presented by: ***Janeen Winnike, RPh***
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DR. WILLIAM M. SCHOLL COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

Charles Francis Kind Jr.
Presented by: ***Charles Kind Sr., DPM '93***
Alumni family member

Sandra J. Luu
Presented by: ***Thanh Lu, DPM***
Mentor from respective profession

"ACHIEVEMENT

TO US IS **BEING PROUD THAT WE HAVE ALWAYS FULLY DEDICATED OURSELVES TO OUR PROFESSION AND OUR PATIENTS** THROUGH OUR CAREERS AND VOLUNTEERING IN OUR COMMUNITY."

DYLAN MOE, PharmD '15 AND
MELISSA T. BALLAK-MOE, PharmD '15, MBA, BCGP
College of Pharmacy, Class of 2015

AN HONORARY DEGREE, DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS, IS CONFERRED UPON DAVID EDWARDS, PhD, FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED CAREER IN MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH.

DAVID A. EDWARDS, PhD
Scientist, Writer and Inventor

Aerosol scientist, biomedical engineer and visionary, David Edwards, PhD, is a pioneer in inhalation drug and vaccine delivery for diseases including diabetes, tuberculosis and COPD. Dr. Edwards is committed to discovery and innovation that promote human wellness. His award-winning 2018 book "Creating Things That Matter: The Art and Science of Innovations That Last" emphasizes the need to break down the walls between artistic and scientific processes to create long-term solutions to problems posed by technology and how people think and live.

Winner of multiple TIME Magazine Inventions of the Year (2014 and 2020) and member of three national academies in the United States and France, Dr. Edwards has worked to improve human health one breath at a time as a faculty member at Harvard University (2002–2019) and as an entrepreneur. Dr. Edwards' early work in applied mathematics led to a new kind of inhaled aerosol, and later to the FDA-approved Inbrija (inhaled L-dopa) for Parkinson's. His post-anthrax insights into the role of salts in regulating respiratory droplet generation led to the early-pandemic discovery of the global respiratory health challenge of upper airway dehydration, and the hygienic benefit of inhaled divalent salts, developed today by his company FEND and its philanthropic partner Next Breath.

Paralleling his science and entrepreneurial work, Dr. Edwards has been active in education at the intersection of the sciences and the arts, both in his teaching at Harvard and in the founding in 2007 of the cultural center Le Laboratoire in Paris, France. The center moved to Cambridge in late 2014, when Dr. Edwards opened his innovative restaurant Café ArtScience, later to become Senses.

Among his many creations is a new food system that features delivery of nutrition by air, scent communication and a sustainable, plant-based packaging platform. He is founder and inventor of FEND, a new hygiene for the upper airway that was named a TIME Magazine Best Invention of 2020.

Dr. Edwards works with scientists internationally through the nonprofit Next Breath, which aims to bring advances in clean air technology emerging from the COVID-19 pandemic to those among the world's 1.6 billion children at highest risk of health and learning problems from dirty air. His nonprofit MEND (Medicine in Need), part of the Gates Grand Challenge in the 2000s, worked to mitigate the spread of inhaled infectious disease and develop novel antibiotic therapies in South Africa and other developing-world environments.

108th COMMENCEMENT CELEBRATION

ROSALIND FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE

AWARD RECIPIENTS

DEWITT C. BALDWIN INSTITUTE FOR INTERPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

DISTINCTION FOR EXCELLENCE IN INTERPROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE

The Distinction for Excellence in Interprofessional Healthcare is awarded to students that have demonstrated exceptional commitment to advancing interprofessional collaborative care while at RFUMS.

Kaleia Collins, PharmD '22

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL STUDIES

DEAN'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RESEARCH

The School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies recognizes students for excellence in original research that advances our understanding of nature and the human condition.

Salvatore Robert Aiello, PhD '22

COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

NUTRITION GRADUATE AWARD

The Nutrition Graduate Award is presented to a graduating student in recognition of outstanding performance in the degree program.

Jessilyn Rose Dunegan, MS '22

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD

The Biomedical Sciences Outstanding Student Award is presented to a student who demonstrates excellence in professionalism, perseverance and humanism.

James Alexander Ansara, MS '22
George Francis Peek, MS '22

THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS DEAN'S AWARD FOR SCHOLARSHIP

The College of Health Professions Dean's Award for Scholarship is presented to the student(s) in each respective program listed with the highest academic performance.

Psychology MS

Joshua Ethan Kaplan, MS '22
Elmma Khalid, MS '22
William John McGarrigle, MS '22

Psychology PhD

Milena Yurievna Gotra, PhD '22

Physical Therapy

Sarah Scheldrup Lindholm, DPT '22
Michelle M. Swiatkiewicz, DPT '22
Anthony Tomsovic, DPT '22
Lauren Margaret Van Valkenburgh, DPT '22
Kyle Robert Winiger, DPT '22

Physician Assistant

Molly Gormley, MS '22

Pathologists' Assistant

Ryan Thorn, MS '22

Health Administration

Abigail J. Kwon, MS '22

Nurse Anesthesia

Amy Joy Avila, DNP '22
Andrea Ericksen Hicks, DNP '22
Sarah Patrick Hoffman, DNP '22

THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS CLINICAL EDUCATION AWARD

The College of Health Professions Clinical Education Award is presented to the graduating student in their respective programs for outstanding performance in the clinical training.

Psychology MS

Joshua Ethan Kaplan, MS '22

Physical Therapy

Alyssa Nicole Sloan, DPT '22

Physician Assistant

Daniel Reichard, MS '22

Pathologists' Assistant

Madeline A. Christel, MS '22

Nurse Anesthesia

Alyssa M. LeSeure, DNP '22

ALICE MAGAW AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CLINICAL PRACTICE

The Alice Magaw Award for Outstanding Clinical Practice is presented to a Nurse Anesthesia graduate who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in clinical practice.

Andre Nixon, DNP '22

IRA P. GUNN AWARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ADVOCACY

The Ira P. Gunn Award for Professional Advocacy is presented to the Nurse Anesthesia graduate who, through leadership and/or personal effort, has made a significant contribution to the preservation and advancement of the nurse anesthesia profession through legislative, legal and/or regulatory efforts.

Terrell Alan Foster, DNP '22

JOHN F. GARDE AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP

The John F. Garde Award for Leadership is presented to the Nurse Anesthesia graduate who has demonstrated outstanding leadership.

Eduardo Ornelas, DNP '22

SISTER MARY BERNARD AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING FOCUSED CLINICAL ACHIEVEMENT

The Sister Mary Bernard Award for Outstanding Focused Clinical Achievement is presented to the Nurse Anesthesia graduate who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in a focused area of clinical practice.

Frances DoRosario, DNP '22

AGATHA HODGINS OUTSTANDING STUDENT NURSE ANESTHETIST AWARD

The Agatha Hodgins Outstanding Student Nurse Anesthetist Award is presented to a graduating student for academic and clinical excellence in nurse anesthetist practice.

Alexander Harrison Corbitt, DNP '22

HEALTH ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD

The Health Administration Program Outstanding Student Award is presented to a graduating student with the highest grade point average and exceptional leadership and professionalism.

Lindsey Anne Moesle, MS '22

HEALTH ADMINISTRATION OUTSTANDING DUAL DEGREE STUDENT AWARD

The Health Administration Outstanding Dual Degree Student Award is presented to an exceptional graduating student from the Health Administration program who is also receiving a dual degree from the university.

Zackary Joseph Clor, DPM '22, MS '22

OSVALDO RUBINSTEIN EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE AWARD

The award will be presented to a second year Pathologists' Assistant student who exhibits leadership qualities that encourage service to the community and demonstrates commitment to anatomic pathology. Service to the community must go beyond the required student elements, such as those performed in HIPS 515.

Lyddia Elyse Marcott, MS '22

LEE ANN MYERS, MS '99, PA-C MEMORIAL AWARD

The Lee Ann Myers, MS '99, PA-C Memorial Award was established by the family and friends of Lee Ann Myers, a 1999 graduate of the Physician Assistant program who died in 2001. The recipient is an individual who has chosen this profession as a second career.

Sara Katherine Perry, MS '22

TARA PULLARA, MS '09 MEMORIAL AWARD

The Tara Pullara, MS '09 Memorial Award was established to honor a graduating Physician Assistant student who shows exceptional ability as a compassionate patient care provider. Tara Pullara was a 2009 graduate of the Physician Assistant program whose inspiring battle with cancer ended just prior to commencement, 2009.

Claire Laura Fischer, MS '22

THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS ISRAEL LIGHT LEADERSHIP AWARD

The College of Health Professions Israel Light Leadership Award is named after the first dean of the college and is presented to one graduating student for demonstration of exceptional leadership.

Karolina Anna Grotkowski, MS '22

MICHAEL E. KORDECKI, PT '86, DPT '03 EXCELLENCE IN ANATOMY AWARD

The Michael E. Kordecki, PT '86, DPT '03 Excellence in Anatomy Award is presented to a third year Doctor of Physical Therapy student who has demonstrated outstanding academic and laboratory performance, and passion for learning and teaching anatomy to others.

Alyssa Minnicino, DPT '22

JON VANIK, PT '99 AND JANET M. VANIK, MS, MT '85 MEMORIAL BENEVOLENCE AWARD

The Jon Vanik, PT '99 and Janet M. Vanik, MS, MT '85 Memorial Benevolence Award was established in memory of Jon and Janet Vanik to honor a graduating College of Health Professions student who has demonstrated the qualities of professionalism, perseverance and humanism.

Jeison Albert Dacanay Esmundo, DPT '22

CHRISTINE LOURO, MS '92 AWARD

The Christine Louro, MS '92 Award was established in 1997 to recognize the graduate who most highly reflects dedication and competence in both the science and practice of psychology.

Karolina Anna Grotkowski, PhD '22

THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS DEAN'S AWARD FOR RESEARCH

The College of Health Professions Dean's Award for Research is presented to a student with an outstanding research project within their program.

Milena Yurievna Gotra, PhD '22

PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH BY A DOCTORAL STUDENT

The Psychology Department Award for Excellence in Research by a Doctoral Student is presented to a student for his/her achievement in research.

Samuel Raphael Vincent, MS '22

PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH BY A MASTER OF SCIENCE STUDENT

The Psychology Department Award for Excellence in Research by a Master of Science Student is presented to a student for his/her achievement in research.

Elmma Khalid, MS '22

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EQUITY, HEALTH JUSTICE AND ADVOCACY AWARD

The Equity, Health Justice and Advocacy Award recognizes a graduating student(s) in the Department of Physical Therapy who advances contributions that affirm the program's mission and enhance diversity, equity and inclusion within the physical therapy profession. The recipient shall demonstrate advocacy and a genuine commitment to nurturing a diverse, inclusive community dedicated to addressing systemic injustice and barriers to health equity through excellence in learning, scholarship, service and leadership.

Taylar J. Harris, DPT '22

Sophia Hdija, DPT '22

Yvette Ramirez, DPT '22

THE AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC PHYSICAL THERAPY (ACAPT) NATIONAL PHYSICAL THERAPY STUDENT HONOR SOCIETY

Lauren Michele Deets, DPT ’22
Jeison Albert Dacanay Esmundo, DPT ’22
Halle Eileen Flate, DPT ’22
Kristen Elizabeth Hackel, DPT ’22
Michelle DeGuia Laygo, DPT ’22
Sarah Scheldrup Lindholm, DPT ’22
Alyssa Minnicino, DPT ’22
Kelly Ann Shaw, DPT ’22
Michelle M. Swiatkiewicz, DPT ’22
Anthony Tomsovic, DPT ’22
Lauren Margaret Van Valkenburgh, DPT ’22
Kyle Robert Winiger, DPT ’22

UPSILON PHI DELTA HONOR SOCIETY

The RFU chapter is part of the national academic honor society for students in health administration in the United States. The organization was formed in 1965 to further the profession of health administration and the professional competence and dedication of its members. It is administered by the Association of University Programs in Health Administration. The name of the society is derived from the Greek words for “health”, “care” and “administration.” Its official colors are crimson red and cobalt blue, and its official flower is the rose.

Seby S. Achettu
Shaden Aldasoqi
Kevin Daniel Balderrama
David Patrick Bunting
Zackary Joseph Clor
Nijal Mrugesh Desai
Tony Donofrio
Monica Ellis
Olivia Hana Jones
Abigail J. Kwon
Sebastian M. Lacala
Serina Mancha
Lindsey Anne Moesle
Karishma Patel
Raj Patel
David Jessy Sierant
Sukhbir Kaur Thind

DR. WILLIAM M. SCHOLL COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE (ACPM): TIMOTHY HOLBROOK, DPM MEMORIAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

The Timothy Holbrook, DPM Memorial Award of Excellence is presented to a student chosen for academic and clinical excellence in orthopedics and medicine.

Katherine Samuelson, DPM ’22

PROFICIENCY IN PODIATRIC MEDICINE AWARD

The Proficiency in Podiatric Medicine Award is granted each year to a graduating student who demonstrates mastery in both medicine and podiatric medicine.

Alexander M. Fried, DPM ’22

HIGHEST PROFICIENCY IN SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Highest Proficiency in Scholarship Award is given to the graduating student(s) with the highest academic average throughout the four years of the program.

Katherine Samuelson, DPM ’22

PROFICIENCY IN BIOMECHANICS AND ORTHOPEDIC DISEASES AWARD

The Proficiency in Biomechanics and Orthopedic Diseases Award is given to a graduating student who demonstrates mastery in these fields.

Katherine Samuelson, DPM ’22

DR. WILLIAM M. SCHOLL COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE CENTENNIAL IPMSA LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Centennial IPMSA Leadership Award was established by the Illinois Podiatric Medical Students’ Association to recognize two graduating students from Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine for their leadership on the Executive Council of the IPMSA.

Alieu Sulaiman Kanu, DPM ’22
Karishma Patel, DPM ’22

PHILIP J. GIANFORTUNE, DPM ’82 SERVICE AWARD

The Philip J. Gianfortune, DPM ’82 Service Award is awarded to a graduating student who has provided exemplary service to the college, supporting a variety of activities and efforts of the college.

Marcell Rita Brikho, DPM ’22

STUDENT MENTOR & EDUCATOR AWARD

The Student Mentor & Educator Award recognizes a graduating student who has excelled in mentoring and assisting other students of the Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine.

Timothy Cheung, PhD ’20, DPM ’22

ROBERT L. BARON, DPM ’81 PROFICIENCY IN PODIATRIC RADIOLOGY AWARD

The Robert L. Baron, DPM ’81 Proficiency in Podiatric Radiology Award is given to a graduating student whose performance in podiatric radiology is most outstanding and who has demonstrated mastery in the field. This award is named after the long-standing former Chair of the Department of Radiology.

Steven L. Smith, DPM ’22

PROFICIENCY IN PODIATRIC SURGERY AWARD

The Proficiency in Podiatric Surgery Award is given to the graduating student with the highest academic performance in podiatric surgery courses, demonstrated knowledge of podiatric surgery, participation in the department’s educational activities and overall professional demeanor.

Yahya Ayesh, DPM ’22

STEPHEN M. GELLER, DPM GRADUATE MERIT AWARD

The Stephen M. Geller, DPM Graduate Merit Award is given to a student who exhibits high standards of professional conduct, academic achievement, ethics, and exhibits aptitude in podiatric medicine and podiatric orthopedics, which includes but is not limited to dermatology, biomechanics, sports medicine and infectious disease.

Lauren Alexandra Michels, DPM '22

PROFICIENCY IN SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Proficiency in Scholarship Award is given to the graduating student(s) with the second highest academic average throughout the four years of the program.

Steven L. Smith, DPM '22

JERRY D. BRANT, DPM '62 LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Jerry D. Brant, DPM '62 Leadership Award is given in recognition of outstanding leadership and contribution to the graduating class.

Timothy Cheung, PhD '20, DPM '22

EDWIN J. HARRIS, DPM '70 PROFICIENCY IN PEDIATRIC ORTHOPEDICS AWARD

The Edwin J. Harris, DPM '70 Proficiency in Pediatric Orthopedics Award is given to a graduating student who exhibits high standards of professional conduct and academic achievement in pediatric orthopedics.

Lance Christopher Lundie, DPM '22

SWANSON INDEPENDENT RESEARCH SCHOLAR

This award is presented to a student in recognition for outstanding independent research in addition to completing their doctoral requirements.

Khanh Phuong Sieu Tong, DPM '22

PI DELTA HONOR SOCIETY

Membership in the Pi Delta Honor Society is extended to individuals who have distinguished themselves academically and in service to the profession.

Spencer R. Arndt, DPM '22
Yahya Ayesh, DPM '22
Marcell Rita Brikho, DPM '22
Timothy Cheung, PhD '20, DPM '22
Raluca Alexandra Dima, DPM '22
Alexander M. Fried, DPM '22
Kamden Taylor Gahr, DPM '22
Sara Ann Gulczynski, DPM '22
Shreya Gupta, DPM '22
Firas Katmeh, DPM '22
Chase T. Kiefer, DPM '22
Lance Christopher Lundie, DPM '22
Sandra J. Luu, DPM '22
Lauren Alexandra Michels, DPM '22
Isabella G. Saley, DPM '22
Katherine Samuelson, DPM '22
Magnus Schlyer, DPM '22
Aaron August Schwanke, DPM '22
Saima S. Sharf, DPM '22
Steven L. Smith, DPM '22
Andrew Colton Syndergaard, DPM '22
Rosie Thompson, DPM '22
Khanh Phuong Sieu Tong, DPM '22
Seth Jordan Wimbley, DPM '22
Molly Elise Young, DPM '22
Robert Allen Ziffra, DPM '22

CHICAGO MEDICAL SCHOOL

RONALD M. REIFLER PRIMARY CARE AWARD

The Ronald M. Reifler Primary Care Award is awarded to a graduate who will be continuing their career in primary care.

Jack William Armitage, MD '22

JOHN J. SHEININ, MD, PhD, DSc RESEARCH AWARD

The John J. Sheinin, MD, PhD, DSc Research Award is presented for originality and creativity in a research project conducted while a medical student.

Adriana Maria Fresquez, MD '22

MD WITH DISTINCTION IN RESEARCH AWARD

The MD with Distinction in Research Award is awarded to medical students who complete a substantial committee refereed research program during the course of their medical studies.

Sarah Marie Laudon, MD '22
Yanhan Ren, MD '22

MARTIN GECHT, MD '44 MEMORIAL AWARD

The Martin Gecht, MD '44 Memorial Award honors Dr. Gecht's love of the Chicago Medical School and commemorates his commitment to the community. The award recognizes student efforts in community service projects including development, leadership, assessment and inspiration of community projects.

Jaleesa M. Harris, MD '22

THE CHICAGO MEDICAL SCHOOL DEAN'S AWARD FOR SERVICE TO THE SCHOOL

The Chicago Medical School Dean's Award for Service to the School was established in 1974 to give recognition to graduating students who have been active in school functions and have demonstrated a continuing interest in the future of the school.

Jennifer Alvarez, MD '22
Adriana Maria Fresquez, MD '22
Courtney Ellen Harris, MD '22
Lisandra Ochoa, MD '22
Simone Elizabeth Raiter, MD '22
Ashley Rebecca Schaefer, MD '22
Kelsey Lynn Spear, MD '22

RONALD BANGASSER, MD '75 MEMORIAL AWARD

This award commemorates the commitment that Dr. Bangasser had for organized medicine and service to his colleagues. The recipient of this award has demonstrated leadership in medical school, a training which will follow into their life in organized medicine.

Courtney Ellen Harris, MD '22

EUGENE J. ROGERS, MD '46 MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION

The Eugene J. Rogers, MD '46 Memorial Award for Excellence in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation is awarded to a graduate who will be continuing their career in the specialty of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

Shirali M. Shah, MD '22

CMS STUDENT SERVICE AWARD

The CMS Student Service Award recognizes a student who has demonstrated excellent achievement in working with persons and communities that are underrepresented in medicine.

Jaleesa M. Harris, MD '22

ALPHA OMEGA ALPHA

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, a professional medical organization, recognizes and advocates for excellence in scholarship and the highest ideals in the profession of medicine. Their values include honesty, honorable conduct, morality, virtue, unselfishness, ethical ideals, dedication to serving others and leadership.

Arjun Ahuja
Thomas Daniel Alter
Jennifer Alvarez
Casey Thomas Aman
Kelsey Marie Bacidore
Alison Marie Cottrell
Co Dinh Duong
Elianna Joelle Fred
Adriana Maria Fresquez
John Fudala
Allison Leigh Gelfond
Christopher James Hamilton
Courtney Ellen Harris
Thaddeus Robert Hawley
Daniel Patrick Hivick
Harshita Jain
Lindsay Ann Karson
Simon Parviz Lalehzarian
Grant Michael Lewin
Peter Landergren Lorenz
Madeline Beth Newman
Brianna Allison Norris
Lisandra Ochoa
Paras J. Patel
Akshay Patke
Sydney Eva Rabin
Simone Elizabeth Raiter
Uros Rakita
Yanhan Ren
Alissa Rae Resnikoff
Ashley Rebecca Schaefer
Shirali M. Shah
Zachariah Shalginewicz
A. Isabella Shanker
Kelsey Lynn Spear
Jacqueline Hope Story-Remer
Irmina J. Swiostek
Palwasha Syar
Laurine A. Tiema-Benson
Madelaine Wade
Alexander David Woods
Ellen Yang

GOLD HUMANISM HONOR SOCIETY

The Chicago Medical School Chapter of the Gold Humanism in Medicine Honor Society for the Class of 2021 is listed below. Students were inducted into the Gold Humanism Honor Society at the annual recognition luncheon and are recognized for their commitment, competence and compassion.

Jennifer Alvarez
Kelsey Marie Bacidore
Carolyn Cook
Co Dinh Duong
Kelechi Enyinna Emuchay
Adriana Maria Fresquez
Alfonso Giovanni Gomez
Courtney Ellen Harris
Daniel Patrick Hivick
Victoria Nicole Hooker
Harshita Jain
Susmitha Kowligy
Adam Hamilton Lewis
Peter Landergren Lorenz
Diya Majumdar Perna
Sharné Nyasha Morrow
Lisandra Ochoa
Akshay Patke
Ashley Rebecca Schaefer
Payal Amit Shukla
Vikram J. Singh
Kalyani Rajendra Sonarikar
Kelsey Lynn Spear
Shahrukh Ali Syed
Matthew H. Tan
Laurine A. Tiema-Benson
Yukyee Tsang

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RESEARCH AWARD

The College of Pharmacy Outstanding Achievement in Research Award recognizes a College of Pharmacy student who exemplifies the college's research mission and demonstrates excellence in this area.

Tehreem Khaliq, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The College of Pharmacy Achievement Award, sponsored by Lilly, is presented to the College of Pharmacy student with the highest overall GPA at the end of the P3 year.

Shujie Lin, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY EXCELLENCE IN INTERPROFESSIONALISM AWARD

The College of Pharmacy Excellence in Interprofessionalism Award is given to students who best demonstrate an interprofessional approach to learning and health care.

Maximilian Vitas, PharmD '22

Patrick Steven Vollmer, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY AMBULATORY CARE PHARMACY PRACTICE AWARD

The College of Pharmacy Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Practice Award recognizes a student who demonstrates academic excellence on an ambulatory care APPE, and a strong commitment to outpatient pharmacy practice.

Julianne Marie Torres Albizu, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY COMMUNITY PHARMACY PRACTICE AWARD

The College of Pharmacy Community Pharmacy Practice Award recognizes a student who demonstrates academic excellence on a community APPE, and a strong commitment to community pharmacy practice.

Mackenzie Paige Splitt, PharmD '22

DEAN'S AWARD FOR SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE

The Dean's Award for Service to the College recognizes a student with exemplary service to the college, supporting a variety of activities and efforts of the college.

Patrick Steven Vollmer, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY HEALTH SYSTEMS PHARMACY PRACTICE AWARD

The College of Pharmacy Health Systems Pharmacy Practice Award recognizes a student who demonstrates academic excellence on a hospital APPE, and strong commitment to hospital pharmacy practice.

Bushra Mapara, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION AWARD

This award is given to the students who contribute to the diversity of the college and community.

Charmaine Bernardo, PharmD '22

Olanike F. Oladeji, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY VOLUNTEER AWARD

The College of Pharmacy Volunteer Award is presented to the student who exemplifies a spirit of volunteerism by going above and beyond service, participating in university, community and college events, and who projects an attitude of enthusiasm in all of their participation.

Shujie Lin, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY LEADERSHIP AWARD

The College of Pharmacy Outstanding Leadership Award recognizes students with outstanding leadership qualities.

Andrew J. Romero, PharmD '22

Carolina Woloszyn, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY STUDENT MENTOR AND EDUCATOR AWARD

The Student Mentor and Educator Award recognizes a College of Pharmacy student who has excelled in mentoring and assisting other students.

Justin L. Bladecki, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNICATION AND COUNSELING AWARD

The College of Pharmacy Excellence in Communication and Counseling Award recognizes a student with outstanding patient communication skills illustrated by performance in patient counseling and patient care activities.

Vanessa Marie Rivera, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY ACUTE CARE PHARMACY PRACTICE AWARD

The College of Pharmacy Acute Care Pharmacy Practice Award recognizes a student who demonstrates academic excellence on an acute care APPE, and strong commitment to inpatient pharmacy practice.

Carolina Woloszyn, PharmD '22

USPHS EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC HEALTH PHARMACY PRACTICE AWARD

The recipient of this award is selected by the United States Public Health Service to recognize the student's contributions to public health pharmacy practice.

Sonya Sial, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD

This award is given to a student who has demonstrated excellence in their academics, leadership and professionalism during all four years at RFU and has made a lasting impression on the faculty, students and staff.

Vanessa Marie Rivera, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY EXCELLENCE IN PHARMACY AWARD

This award, sponsored by Viatris, is given to the student with strong academic performance, personal motivation and excellent communication skills.

Bushra Mapara, PharmD '22

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY PERSEVERANCE AWARD

This award is given to students whose journey through pharmacy school has been marked by exceptional grit, resilience and determination.

Lynda Chiamaka Azubuike, PharmD '22

Gregory Lynn Berry Jr., PharmD '22

PHI LAMBDA SIGMA CHAPTER

The purpose of Phi Lambda Sigma, also known as the national Pharmacy Leadership Society, is to promote the development of leadership qualities, especially among student pharmacists. By peer recognition, the Society encourages participation in all pharmacy activities and instills and enhances self-confidence, encourages the less active student to a more active role and promotes greater effort toward the advancement of pharmacy. No greater honor can be bestowed upon an individual than to be recognized as a leader by one's peers.

Charmaine Bernardo

Justin L. Bladecki

Emily Brown

Philip Soon Woo Kwon

Vanessa Marie Rivera

Andrew J. Romero

Maximilian Vitas

Patrick Steven Vollmer

Carolina Woloszyn

RHO CHI CHAPTER

The Rho Chi Society seeks to advance pharmacy through intellectual leadership. As the academic honor society in pharmacy, the Rho Chi Society encourages and recognizes intellectual achievement, stimulates critical inquiry to advance pharmacy, contributes to the development of intellectual leaders, promotes the highest ethical standards and fosters collaboration.

Charmaine Bernardo

Justin L. Bladecki

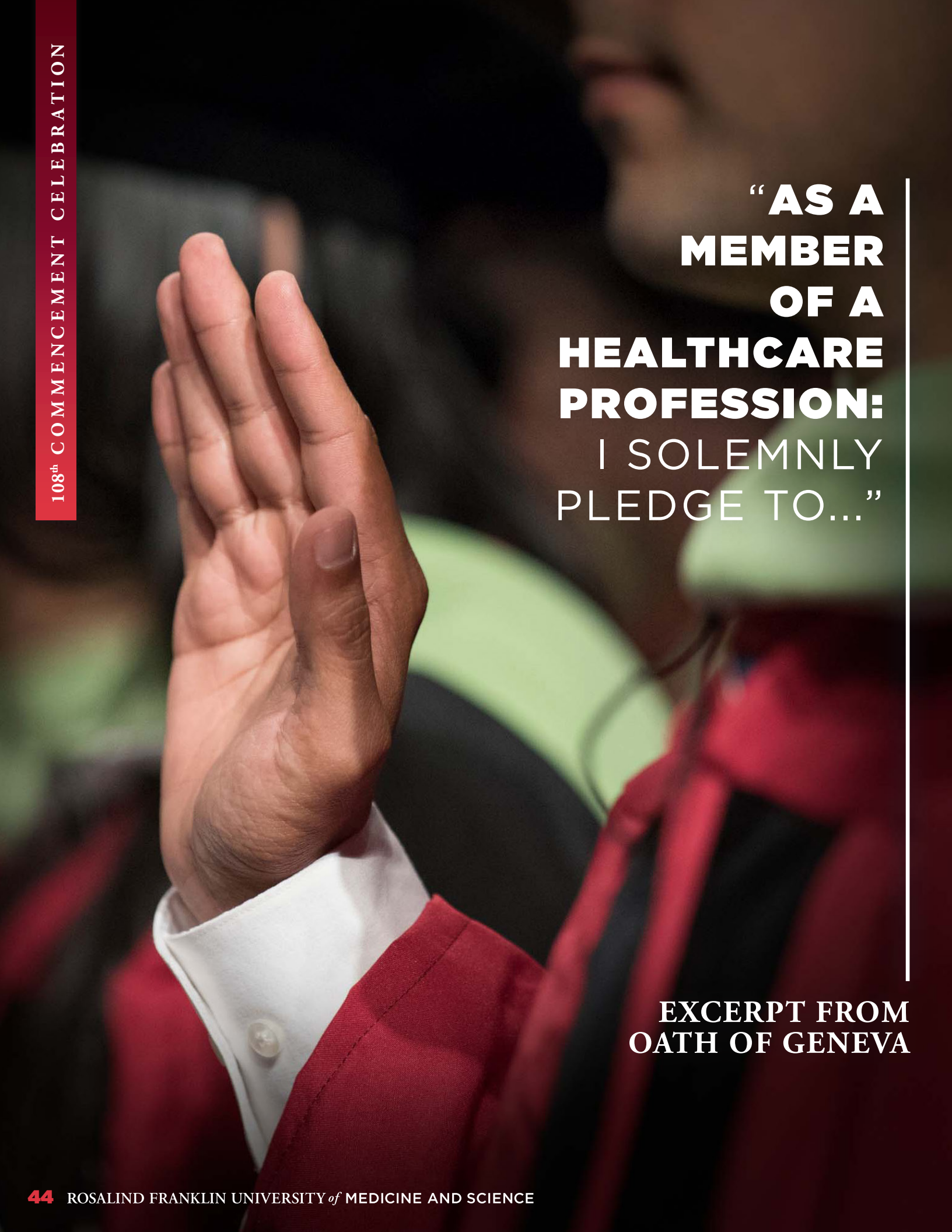
Emily Rose Brown

Shujie Lin

Sabrina Bahrawer Najibi

Gabriel Andres Nazario Del Toro

Olanike F. Oladeji



"AS A MEMBER OF A HEALTHCARE PROFESSION: I SOLEMNLY PLEDGE TO..."

EXCERPT FROM OATH OF GENEVA

AS A MEMBER OF A HEALTHCARE PROFESSION:

I solemnly pledge to dedicate my life to the service of humanity;

The health and well-being of my patient will be my first consideration;

I will respect the autonomy and dignity of my patient;

I will maintain the utmost respect for human life;

I will not permit considerations of age, disease or disability, creed, ethnic origin, gender, gender identity, nationality, political affiliation, race, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status or any other factor to intervene between my duty and my patient;

I will respect the secrets that are confided in me, even after the patient has died;

I will practice my profession with conscience and dignity and in accordance with good practice;

I will foster the honor and noble traditions of my profession;

I will give to my teachers, colleagues, and students the respect and gratitude that is their due;

I will share my knowledge for the benefit of the patient and the advancement of healthcare;

I will attend to my own health, well-being, and abilities in order to provide care of the highest standard;

I will not use my knowledge to violate human rights and civil liberties, even under threat;

I make these promises solemnly, freely, and upon my honor.

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