



2024

UB University at Buffalo
The State University of New York

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL



JACOBS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES
COMMENCEMENT

FRIDAY

APRIL 26, 2024

3:00 PM

CENTER FOR THE ARTS, NORTH CAMPUS

Allison Brashear
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Anyango Kamina
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Mark Sutton
Diana G. Wilkins

Program

This commencement marks the 178th for the University at Buffalo. The original class, in 1847, had 17 graduates. They completed their first lecture term elsewhere and their second term, of 16 weeks, at the University at Buffalo.

Processional

Selections from
Pomp and Circumstance
By Edward Elgar

Grand Marshal

Santpal Singh, PhD

Faculty Marshal

John Hall, MD

Student Marshals

David Freedman, PhD
Charles Camp, MD

Declaration by Grand Marshal

Santpal Singh, PhD

National Anthem*

Docapella

Call to Order

Allison Brashear, MD, MBA
*Vice President for Health Sciences
Dean, Jacobs School of Medicine and
Biomedical Sciences*

Greetings

A. Scott Weber, PhD
*Provost and Executive Vice President
for Academic Affairs*

SUNY Honorary Degree

James S. Marks, MD '73, MPH
*Executive Vice President (retired), Robert
Wood Johnson Foundation; Rear Admiral
and Assistant Surgeon General (retired),
U.S. Public Health Service*

Eunice A. Lewin
Member of the SUNY Board of Trustees

Provost Weber

Honored Speaker

James V. McDonald, MD, MPH
*Commissioner of Health
New York State Department of Health*

Class Speaker

Susan Eichhorn
MD Candidate

Presentation of Parents Council Gift

Darelene Dzik
Marlene Gorski
Monica Heaad
Randy Rambuss

Presentation of Candidates

Doctor of Medicine/ Doctor of Philosophy

Marc Halterman, MD, PhD
Interim Director, MD-PhD Program

Conferrer of Degrees

Provost Weber

Calling of Candidates

Fred Archer, MD
*Associate Dean and
Director of Admissions*

Hooding

Hooding Party/Major Professor

Presentation of Candidates Doctor of Medicine/ Master of Public Health Administration

David Milling, MD
*Senior Associate Dean of Student and
Academic Affairs*

Conferrer of Degrees

Provost Weber

Calling of Candidates

Associate Dean Archer

Hooding

Hooding Party/Major Professor

Presentation of Candidates Doctor of Medicine/ Master of Business Administration

Philip L. Glick, MD, MBA
*MBA Liaison for UB Health Sciences
and the School of Management*

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Hooding Party/Major Professor

Presentation of Candidates Doctor of Medicine

Senior Associate Dean Milling

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Calling of Candidates

Associate Dean Archer

Hooding

Samantha Bordonaro, MD
Scott Darling, MD
Alan J. Lesse, MD
David Holmes, MD
Lisa Jane Jacobsen, MD
Jennifer A. Meka, PhD
Nicholas J. Silvestri, MD

Signing Book of Physicians

Senior Associate Dean Milling

Charge of Maimonides

Senior Associate Dean Milling

The Oath

Dean Brashear

Welcome to Alumni Association

Melissa Rayhill, MD '10
President of Alumni Association

Alma Mater

Docapella

***Recessional**

Triumphal March from Aida
By Giuseppe Verdi

**Guests will please rise and remain standing during the Recessional.*

All are invited to a reception in the atrium immediately following the ceremony.

The music performed for the commencement ceremony by "Cathedral Brass" is provided by the Department of Emergency Medicine in honor of the following graduates who are entering Emergency Medicine for their residency training:

Mitchell Alan Fiorella-Crandall
Derek Raymond Tabaczynski

Today's ceremony is being recorded and will be available for on-line viewing within ten days at the following site: www.buffalo.edu/commencement



SUNY Trustee and UB Officials

Eunice Ashman Lewin

Member of the State University of New York Board of Trustees



President and co-founder of Impacto Consulting Associates, Eunice Ashman Lewin joined the SUNY Board of Trustees in February 2010. She helped reinstate the Student Life Committee, which she co-chairs. In

this role, she spearheaded the creation of the Food Insecurity and the Mental Health task forces. Lewin serves on the board's Executive Committee and the committees for academic affairs, communications and external affairs, community colleges, and academic medical centers and hospitals.

A former commissioner of the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority, Lewin was a founding member of the Roswell Park Alliance and a board member of the Buffalo Urban League and Hispanics United of Buffalo. She is a member of the Hispanic Women's League and the Greater Buffalo Racial Equity Roundtable. In 2022, Lewin was named co-chair of the 5/14 Remembrance Committee to honor the mass shooting victims of the May 14 tragedy in East Buffalo.

A retired bilingual social worker for the Buffalo Board of Education, she is a champion for STEM education.

Born in Guantanamo, Cuba, Lewin immigrated to the U.S. with her family in 1967. She holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from Marymount Manhattan College and master's degrees in American and Puerto Rican studies, and in educational administration, from UB.

Jeremy M. Jacobs

Chairman of the University at Buffalo Council



Jeremy M. Jacobs was appointed to the UB Council in 1997; in 1998, then-Gov. George Pataki named him chairman. Jacobs is chairman of Delaware North, a global hospitality company with customers in the United

States, Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. The company's operations include food and retail at airports and sports venues, sports facility ownership and management, operations of parks and major tourist attractions, hotel ownership and management, gaming operations and fine dining.

Jacobs owns the Boston Bruins and serves as chairman of the National Hockey League's Board of Governors. In 2018, he received the sport's highest honor when he was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

An alumnus of UB's School of Management and Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program, Jacobs holds honorary doctorates in humane letters from UB, Canisius College, Niagara University and Johnson & Wales University. In 2015, his family donated \$30 million to advance UB's medical school, which was named the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

Jacobs has served Western New York for more than four decades with his business expertise and philanthropic leadership, and Delaware North has received multiple awards for social responsibility, community service and environmental stewardship.

A longtime friend and supporter of UB, Jacobs has served as chairman, trustee and director of the UB Foundation, chairman of the President's Board of Visitors and adviser to the School of Management.

Satish K. Tripathi

University President



An internationally distinguished researcher and higher education leader, Satish K. Tripathi, PhD, is the University at Buffalo's 15th president.

Tripathi, who served as UB's provost from 2004-2011, was dean

of the Bourns College of Engineering at the University of California, Riverside, from 1997-2004. Previously, he spent 19 years as professor of computer science at the University of Maryland, including seven years as department chair. A fellow of the IEEE and the AAAS, he has published more than 200 scholarly papers, supervised more than 30 doctoral and postdoctoral students and served on program committees of numerous international conferences.

Tripathi graduated at the top of his class from Banaras Hindu University (BHU). He holds a master's degree and a doctorate in computer science from the University of Toronto, as well as master's degrees in statistics from the University of Alberta and BHU. He has received honorary doctorates from the Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad, and Brock University in Canada.

Tripathi is co-chair of the Association of American Universities (AAU) Task Force on Expanding U.S.-India University Partnerships, and he serves on the College Football Playoff Board of Managers. Previously, he was chair of the Mid-American Conference Council of Presidents and Internet 2. He also served on the boards of the AAU, the NCAA Division I, the NCAA Board of Governors, the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

Honored Speaker

A. Scott Weber

*Provost and Executive Vice President
for Academic Affairs*



As provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, A. Scott Weber, PhD, serves as the university's chief academic officer, providing leadership across the academic enterprise including

research, scholarship and creative activities; undergraduate, graduate, professional and international education; faculty development; diversity and inclusion initiatives; and university libraries. Weber is leading the implementation of the university's vision to be recognized among the top 25 public research universities in the nation, focused on building on UB's strengths to achieve new levels of excellence in research, scholarship, education, clinical care and engagement.

A member of UB's faculty since 1983, Weber is an innovative scholar and teacher and former chair of UB's Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering. Weber has held progressively responsible administrative roles at UB, including senior vice provost and vice provost for academic affairs, where he was instrumental in the creation of the UB Curriculum and the nationally recognized Finish in 4 program; and vice president for student life, where he focused on enhancing the student experience on campus and promoting overall student wellness.

Weber serves on New York's Hazardous Waste Facility Siting Board for Chemical Waste Management. He is a former board member and current advisory committee member of the United Way of Buffalo and Erie County.

Weber earned bachelor's and master's of science degrees in civil engineering from Virginia Polytechnical Institute and a PhD in civil engineering from the University of California, Davis.

Allison Brashear

*Vice President for Health Sciences
Dean of the Jacobs School of Medicine
and Biomedical Sciences*



Allison Brashear, MD, MBA, a world-renowned neurologist, is reshaping academic medicine at UB. As vice president for health sciences and dean of the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, she promotes

collaboration and integration across health sciences disciplines, while also leading UBMD Physicians' Group as president and CEO.

Brashear's visionary approach drives health care innovation locally and nationally, and she is a passionate advocate for patients. Her impactful research has led to the approval of three botulinum toxin treatments for conditions like post-stroke spasticity. Continuously funded by the National Institutes of Health since 2008, she is a leading expert in ATP1A3-related diseases, a spectrum of rare neurologic disorders.

Prior to UB, Brashear was dean of the University of California, Davis School of Medicine, as well as a professor and the Walter C. Teagle Endowed Chair of Neurology at Wake Forest School of Medicine.

Brashear earned her medical degree and completed her neurology residency at Indiana University School of Medicine. She earned her MBA, focused on health-sector management, at Fuqua School of Business at Duke University.

Beyond her professional roles, she is a trustee of the McKnight Brain Research Foundation and immediate past vice chair of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. Additionally, her election to the AAMC Council of Deans Administrative Board allows her to shape national strategies that impact the country's medical schools. She is also a board member of the Western New York Women's Foundation.

James V. McDonald, MD, MPH

*Commissioner of Health
New York State Department of Health*



James V. McDonald M.D., M.P.H., was appointed Acting Commissioner of Health January 1, 2023 and confirmed by the Senate June 9th, 2023. Prior to joining the New York State Department of Health in July of 2022,

McDonald served at the Rhode Island Department of Health since 2012. At the Rhode Island Department of Health, he served in multiple roles including, Interim Director of Health, Chief Administrative Officer of the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline, Medical Director for the COVID unit, as well as the Medical Director for Division of Health care quality and safety and the Drug Overdose prevention program. He was also a member of the Governor's task force on Preventing Overdose deaths. McDonald has faculty appointment at the Brown School of Public Health.

McDonald earned his M.D. from Loyola Stritch School of Medicine in Chicago, his pediatric residency in the US Navy, and his preventive medicine residency from the State University of New York. He earned his MPH from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He earned his B.S. in Biology from Siena College. McDonald is board certified in pediatrics as well as preventive medicine.

His diverse career includes officership in the U.S. Navy, as well as private practice in rural areas where health care shortages existed. McDonald also served in the Indian Health Service in the Navajo Nation, serving as Medical Director of Outpatient Medicine in Chinle, Arizona.

SUNY Honorary Degree

James S. Marks, MD '73, MPH

Executive Vice President (retired), Robert Wood Johnson Foundation; Rear Admiral and Assistant Surgeon General (retired), U.S. Public Health Service



James Marks, MD '73, MPH, is the former executive vice president of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and an elected member of the National Academy of Medicine. A pioneer in public health and health equity, and a global leader in child and maternal health, health promotion

and chronic disease prevention, he has dedicated his career to reducing health disparities and improving access to quality healthcare.

At the RWJF, Marks oversaw all grantmaking, research and communications activities for the nation's largest philanthropy dedicated solely to health. He led efforts to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic, rank the health of all U.S. counties and, with the Federal Reserve, bring together the fields of community development and public health.

Before joining the RWJF, Marks held important leadership roles in public health, including serving as assistant surgeon general and director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. Throughout his tenure, Marks developed and advanced systematic ways to detect and prevent chronic diseases, monitor their major risk factors and improve reproductive and infant health.

A public health leader for more than 45 years, Marks is an accomplished scholar and highly sought-out expert who has received numerous state and federal awards and served on boards and committees for national public health organizations.

As a UB alumnus, Marks has remained deeply connected with his alma mater, serving as an invited speaker and meeting with aspiring medical students. In 2018, Marks and his wife, Judi, BA '69, M.Ed. '72, created the James and Judith Marks Family Scholarship Fund, which provides financial support to students in the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

SUNY Honorary Doctoral Degree Recipients—University at Buffalo

1981	David Harker	1997	William Christie	2011	Ronald I. Dozoretz
1983	Alan E. Gotlieb		James Holland		Arthur E. Levine
1984	William C. Baird		Franklyn G. Knox	2012	Paula Allen-Meaeres
	Jacques Genest		Thomas Tomasi		Ronald H. Coase
	Wilson Greatbatch	1998	James W. McLernon	2013	Calyampudi R. Rao
	Seymour H. Knox Jr.	1999	Wolf Blitzler		Charles Wuorinen
1985	Erich Bloch		Lucille Clifton	2014	Ira Flatow
	Pierre Dejours		Clifton A. Poodry		Jack N. Lightstone
	Edwin F. Jaeckle	2000	Thomas Buergenthal		Norman R. McCombs
1986	Willard A. Genrich	2001	Alison Des Forges	2015	Christopher J. Scolese
	Gregory B. Jarvis*		Jane Goodall		David L. Shire
	Brian MacMahon		H. William Lichtenberger	2016	Leslie G. Ford
	John B. Slaughter		William H. Siemering		Helene D. Gayle
1987	George Hatem	2002	Hatim A. Tyabji	2017	Marc A. Edwards
	Robert E. Rich Sr.		Ellen Shulman Baker		Seong-Kon Kim
	Amos Tversky		Erma Hallett Jaeckle		Margaret Hempling McGlynn
1988	Louis J. Gerstman		Tom Toles		Bernard Rands
	Claude Lenfant	2003	Joseph P. Allen	2018	Gordon L. Amidon
1989	John M. Coetzee		Arthur O. Eve		Robert Peter Gale
	Philip Glass		Brad Grey		Abbe Raven
1990	Alonzo Church		Elizabeth Pierce Olmsted Ross		Margaret W. Wong
	Ira Michael Heyman	2004	John Walsh	2019	Julio Fuentes
	Wynton Marsalis		Robert G. Wilmers		Rebecca J. McCormick-Boyle
1991	James P. Comer	2005	Jack Dangermond		Donald Pinkel
	John W. Gardner		Henry A. Panasci Jr.*		Ashutosh Sharma
	Theodoor C. van Boven	2006	His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama	2020	Ruth Bader Ginsburg
1992	Marisol Escobar		Steven B. Sample		Donnica Moore
1994	Burt P. Flickinger Jr.	2007	Warren Bennis		Richard Schatz
	Robert V. Pound		Terry Gross	2021	C.K. "David" Chu
	Milton Rogovin	2008	Michael Batty		William R. Kinkel
1995	Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot		Maxine Hayes	2022	David Frank Adjaye
	Ishmael Scott Reed		Jean Malaurie		Ravinder K. Bansal
	George Widmer Thorn	2009	J. Mason Davis Jr.		Francesco Calogero
1996	Max B. E. Clarkson		Herbert A. Hauptman	2023	Agnes F. Williams
	Saxon Graham		Irene Zubaida Khan		
	Jeremy M. Jacobs		Alan M. Zweibel		
	Florence S. Jacobson	2010	Mata Amritanandamayi Devi		<i>* Awarded posthumously</i>
	Gaynor I. Jacobson		Barry Glick		
	Northrup R. Knox		Steve Reich		
	Seymour H. Knox III*		Robert Vince		
	Helen M. Ranney				

University at Buffalo President's Medal

Timothy F. Murphy, MD

SUNY Distinguished Professor

Director, Clinical and Translational Science Institute

Director, Community Health Equity Research Institute



An internationally recognized expert in respiratory infections, Timothy Murphy, MD, has transformed understanding of bacterial infections in chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and vaccine development for otitis media (ear infections) and COPD. He has

been funded continuously by the National Institutes of Health for 40 years, and his work has resulted in 230 publications, 13 patents, and chapters in the major textbooks of medicine, pediatrics and infectious diseases.

Murphy is the founding director of the UB Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI), which has been funded by the NIH since 2015. The CTSI advances research throughout UB and with its partners to reduce health disparities and improve health in our community and nation. The CTSI team of some 40 faculty and 18 staff has catalyzed a transformation of the clinical and translational research environment through education and training, streamlining clinical research, advancing data science, providing expertise to engage our entire community in clinical research and creating genuine partnerships with influential community partners.

In 2019, UB launched the Community Health Equity Research Institute under Murphy's leadership. The institute works closely with community partners and engages faculty from all 12 UB schools to support research that addresses the root causes of health disparities, while developing and testing solutions to the social determinants of health that cause disparities.

In response to a national shortage of clinician scientists, Murphy directs a T35 NIH training grant—now funded for 12 years—that introduces medical and pharmacy students to careers as clinician scientists. The goal is to increase the shrinking number of clinician scientists in the U.S. biomedical research workforce, with an emphasis on recruiting individuals from underrepresented groups.

UB President's Medal Recipients

1990	Charles M. Fogel
1992	William B. Hoyt*
1993	Northrup R. Knox Robert Wilmers John L. Hettrick Sr.
1994	Robert H. Rossberg
1995	George C. Lee
1996	Irving Freedman
1997	Philip B. Wels
1998	Lawrence P. Castellani
2000	Mary E. Randolph John N. Walsh III
2002	Robert J. Wagner
2003	Reginald B. Newman II
2007	Stephen C. Dunnett
2008	Robert Genco
2010	Robert G. Shibley
2012	Angelo M. Fatta Bruce D. McCombe
2013	Diane R. Christian Edmond J. Gicewicz
2014	Robert D. Gioia Nancy H. Nielsen
2015	John T. Ho Gerald S. Lippes
2016	Paras N. Prasad Claude E. Welch Jr.
2017	Margarita L. Dubocovich Francis M. Letro
2018	Michael E. Cain Laura E. Hubbard Cristanne Miller
2019	Amit Goyal Amanda B. Nickerson
2020	Jean Wactawski-Wende
2021	Dexter Johnson Peter A. Rogerson
2022	Sargur N. Srihari*
2023	Oren R. Lyons

* Awarded posthumously

Program Notes

Graduation And Commencement Awards Committee

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Charles Paganelli, MD, *Emeritus faculty*
Marcia Sarkin, *Mentor*

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Interim Chair of Anesthesiology

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Chair of Pharmacology and Toxicology

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Chair of Physiology and Biophysics

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Interim Chair of Psychiatry

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Chair of Radiation Oncology

Kenneth D. Pearsen, MD
Chair of Radiology

Michael G. Malkowski, PhD
Chair of Structural Biology

Steven D. Schwaitzberg, MD
Chair of Surgery

K. Kent Chevli, MD
Chair of Urology

Doctor of Medicine / Doctor of Philosophy Dual Degree Program

Candidate	Department	Dissertation/Mentor
Elliot David Kramer	Tumor Immunology (Roswell Park)	<i>Dysregulation of Myeloid Transcriptional Pathways Enhances Tumor Progression and Metastasis</i> Mentor: Scott I. Abrams, PhD
Michael Weaver	Neuroscience	<i>The STRIPAK Complex: A novel Rac1 interactor that is essential for Schwann cell development</i> Mentor: M. Laura Feltri, MD

Doctor of Medicine / Master of Public Health Dual Degree Program

Wheveline Orvil

Doctor of Medicine / Master of Business Administration Dual Degree Program

Adam James Gargano

Doctor of Medicine / Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery / MD Residency Program

Ismael Estrada
Moiz G. Hasan

Doctor of Medicine

Candidates for Degrees:

Subject to the completion of all degree requirements, degrees will be conferred as indicated upon those individuals listed herein who were identified by April 1, 2024, and upon such others as may meet the requirements of their respective degrees. Degree recipients will come forward to be congratulated during the commencement ceremony.

The Alpha Omega Alpha Cords

The green and gold cord is being worn by graduating students who are members of the national Alpha Omega Alpha honor medical society.

The Latin Honor Cords

The solid gold cord is being worn by graduating students who have earned the academic distinction of Latin honors including cum laude, magna cum laude, or summa cum laude.

The Gold Humanism Honor Society Cords

The gold and burgundy cord is being worn by graduating students who are members of the national Gold Humanism Honor Society.

Candidate

Olumayowa Titilope Adebisi
Alexander Otilio Aguirre
Margaret Susan Ahern
Iman Ahmed

Andrea Belen Alfonsi
Adil Ali
Tessa Whitney Alianell
Amera Mohamed Alsalahi
Tatiana Soboma Amaye-Obu

Matthew Theeran Ambalavanar
Sarah Maria Andres
Santa Filda Anigo
Catherine Artemov
Sudhat Ashok
Salma Attai
Eugenia Awuah Boadi
Shady Samir Azmy
Matthew Domenic Berardi
Michael Imad Beshara
Itai Bezherano
Ian Richard Bogdanowicz

Kyle Richard Boyd
Trinitas Jeanne Boyi
Jacob Richard Braun
Taylor Gabriel Brophy
Molly Kathleen Budzinski

Training Program

Medicine-Prelim
Neurological Surgery
Family Medicine
Medicine-Prelim
Radiology-Diagnostic
Family Medicine/Rural
Urology
Emergency Medicine
Internal Medicine
Obstetrics-Gynecology
/Prelim
Orthopaedic Surgery
Obstetrics-Gynecology
Deferred Residency
Family Medicine
Surgery-Prelim
Urology
Surgery-Prelim
Vascular Surgery
Neurology
Internal Medicine
Orthopaedic Surgery
Medicine-Prelim
Neurology
Pediatrics
Surgery-Prelim
Child Neurology
General Surgery
Combined Adult/Child Psychiatry

Program Name

St. John's Riverside Hospital, Yonkers, N.Y.
University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
NYU Long Island School of Medicine, Mineola, N.Y.
Albany Medical Center, Albany, N.Y.
Swedish Medical Center, Port Angeles, Wash.
University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Md.
University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, N.Y.
Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, Oceanside, N.Y.
Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Rutgers Health, Newark, N.J.
Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell, New York, N.Y.
University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Md.
Yale-New Haven Hospital, New Haven, Conn.
Yale-New Haven Hospital, New Haven, Conn.
University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
University of California (San Francisco) School of Medicine, Oakland, Calif.
University of Chicago Medical Center, Chicago, Ill.
Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.

Candidate	Training Program	Program Name
Zachary Burruano	Transitional Radiology-Diagnostic	St Luke's University Hospital, Bethlehem, Pa. Rochester General Hospital, Rochester, N.Y.
Christina Elizabeth Buscaglia	Pediatrics	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Lindsey Catherine Caines	General Surgery	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Marco Giuseppe Caiola	Medicine-Pediatrics	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Mario Carrillo	Surgery-Prelim	Case Western Reserve University/University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center, Cleveland, Ohio
Frida Nitzaha Cervantes Diaz	Internal Medicine	Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, Ill.
Bryan David Chatterton	Internal Medicine	University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, Mass.
Ricki Chen	Plastic Surgery (Integrated)	University of Utah Health, Salt Lake City, Utah
Allison Chowdhury	Orthopaedic Surgery	Ohio State University Hospital, Columbus, Ohio
Emilie Rose Christie	Surgery-General	Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell, New York, N.Y.
John David Ciarletta	Neurology	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Shiau-Sing Kris Ciecierska	Neurological Surgery	Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, Ill.
Samuel William Colca	Psychiatry	State University of New York Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, N.Y.
Zachary John Connerton	Obstetrics-Gynecology	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Gaby Cordero	General Surgery/NYU BKLN	NYU Grossman School of Medicine, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Elizabeth Ann Crinzi	Medicine-Pediatrics	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Daniel Bradley Culpepper	Internal Medicine	Virginia Commonwealth University Health System, Richmond, Va.
Lauren Ashley DiNardo	Otolaryngology	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Alyssa Dzik	Anesthesiology/PG 1-4	MGB-Massachusetts Gen Hosp, Boston, Mass.
Susan Maureen Eichhorn	Internal Medicine	Boston University Medical Center, Boston, Mass.
Cody Nader Elkhechen	Internal Medicine	Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell, Great Neck, N.Y.
Ismael Estrada	Oral Maxillofacial Surgery	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Jelyn Cruz Eustaquio	Medicine-Prelim Anesthesiology	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. Brown University/Rhode Island Hospital-Lifespan, Providence, R.I.
Sara Elliott Feinland	Family Medicine	Albany Medical Center, Albany, N.Y.
Mitchell Alan Fiorella-Crandall	Emergency Medicine	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Brendan Richard Fitzpatrick	Orthopaedic Surgery	University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, Mass.
Jessica Grace Flores	Pediatrics	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Kirsten Elisabeth Frauens	Phys Medicine & Rehab	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Jesse Max Galina	Orthopaedic Surgery	Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Michelle Marie Galindez	Medicine-Primary	Brown University/Rhode Island Hospital-Lifespan, Providence, R.I.
Adam James Gargano	Medicine-Prelim Radiology-Diagnostic	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y. Allegheny Health Network Medical Education Consortium, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Alice Marie Garrastegui	Internal Medicine/Cape Fear	Campbell University, Fayetteville, N.C.
Nathan Michael Gartland	Anesthesiology	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Amanda Anna Geiger	Emergency Medicine	Maine Medical Center, Portland, Maine
Joseph Harry Gerlach	Psychiatry	Olive View/UCLA Medical Center, Sylmar, Calif.
Kelsey Elizabeth Gibson	Pediatrics	New York Presbyterian Hospital, New York, N.Y.
Sean Patrick Gibson	Transitional Radiology-Diagnostic	HCA Healthcare Redmond Regional Medical Center, Rome, Ga. Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.

Candidate	Training Program	Program Name
Alexandra Kate Gilligan	Medicine-Prelim/Ophthalmology	Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, N.Y.
Aidan Hunter Gorby	Ophthalmology	Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, N.Y.
Nicole Marie Gorski	Family Medicine	University of Vermont Medical Center, Burlington, Vt.
Anthony Thomas Graber	Pediatrics	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Ashley Michelle Gutierrez	Medicine-Pediatrics	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
	Obstetrics-Gynecology	University of Southern California/LAC+USC Medical Center, Los Angeles, Calif.
Paige Leona Guy	Internal Medicine	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Emma Katherine Haley	Pediatrics/Children's Hospital	Children's Hospital, Boston, Mass.
Mariana Lynn Hand	Pediatrics	Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, N.Y.
Gabrielle Evangeline Hartman	Orthopaedic Surgery	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Moiz G. Hasan	Oral Maxillofacial Surgery	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Virginia Alexandria Headd	Family Medicine	Kaiser Permanente Northern California, Vallejo, Calif.
Grace Eujeania Herman	Pediatrics/Adult/Child Psychiatry	MGB-Massachusetts Gen Hosp, Boston, Mass.
Sarah Mei Holan	Neurology	New York Presbyterian Hospital, New York, N.Y.
Adama Jalloh	Family Medicine/Indianapolis	Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, Ind.
Hillary Christina Jaramillo	Family Medicine	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Bradley Terence Jensen	General Surgery	Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, Santa Barbara, Calif.
Tamara Joseph	Pediatrics	Children's Hospital-Oakland, Oakland, Calif.
Ryan Julius	Internal Medicine-Prelim	HCA Healthcare/USF Morsani College of Medicine GME, Bradenton, Fla.
	Radiology-Diagnostic	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Mohammed Siamul Karim	Family Medicine	Mike O'Callaghan Military Medical Center, Nellis AFB, Nev.
Savitoj Kaur	Internal Medicine	Kaiser Permanente Northern California, San Francisco, Calif.
Alison Caroline Khan	Otolaryngology	State University of New York Downstate Health Sciences University, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Hijab Khan	Combined Adult/Child Psychiatry	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Michael Anthony Khan	Psychiatry	State University of New York Downstate Health Sciences University, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Slah Khan	Surgery-Preliminary	State University of New York Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, N.Y.
Sean Patrick Kilcullen	General Surgery	Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell, New York, N.Y.
Kristen Laura Kosmerl	General Surgery	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Isabelle Evelyn Kozik	Transitional/NWH	Mass General Brigham-MA, Newton, Mass.
	Dermatology	Stony Brook Medicine, Stony Brook, N.Y.
Elliot David Kramer	Anesthesiology	Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, N.Y.
Christopher Michael Kreiter	Anesthesiology	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Ryan Thomas Lane	Internal Medicine	MedStar Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, D.C.
Anna Elizabeth Lange	Child Neurology	UPMC Medical Education, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Wei Liu	Anesthesiology	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Meghan Rose Long	Internal Medicine	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Ryan John Mackey	Internal Medicine	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Rehma Noor Malik	Internal Medicine	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Allison Mancuso	General Surgery	St. Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital, Youngstown, Ohio
Cody Anthony Manzanero	Transitional/Ophthalmology	Medical University of South Carolina College of Medicine, Charleston, S.C.
	Ophthalmology	Medical University of South Carolina College of Medicine, Charleston, S.C.
Nathaniel Alexander Mapstone	Family Medicine	Nuvance Health, Rhinebeck, N.Y.
Nigel Lizandro Marine	Orthopaedic Surgery	State University of New York Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, N.Y.

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Degen J. Mariniello Connor William McGuigan	General Surgery Medicine-Prelim Anesthesiology	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. George Washington University School of Medicine, Washington, D.C. George Washington University School of Medicine, Washington, D.C.
John DiVencenzo McGuire Andy James Vega Medina	Anesthesiology Med-Prelim/Ophthalmology	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. ISMMS Mount Sinai Morningside-West, New York, N.Y. New York Eye & Ear Infirm
Michael John Meyer Ryan Edward Montalvo Sibtain Abbas Mustafa Avneet Kaur Nagra Anxhela Nezha Jennifer Ellen O'Donnell Wheveline Orvil	Neurological Surgery Deferred Residency Urology Internal Medicine Preliminary Surgery Preliminary Psychiatry Transitional Radiology-Diagnostic Deferred Residency	Allegheny Health Network Medical Education Consortium, Pittsburgh, Pa. State University of New York Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, N.Y. University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. Faxton - St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N.Y. Rutgers Health, Newark, N.J.
Paolo Paco Gaganjot Parmar Anthony Jonathan Pellerite Jacob Michael Perkins Peter Principe Teresa Ruth Pullano Maya Sunita Raghavan Danielle Carolyn Rambuss Jesse Michael Randolph	Urology Internal Medicine Deferred Residency Anesthesiology General Surgery Otolaryngology Internal Medicine Transitional Radiology-Diagnostic	Stony Brook Medicine, Stony Brook, N.Y. University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, N.Y. Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y. University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, Winston-Salem, N.C. Bassett Medical Center, Cooperstown, N.Y. University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Stephanie Goncalves Rangel Alyssa Diane Reese Mariah Celeste Reinard John Rezkalla	Internal Medicine Plastic Surgery (Integrated) Family Medicine Surgery-Prelim	Rutgers Health, New Brunswick, N.J. Eastern Virginia Medical School, Norfolk, Va. University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell at South Shore University Hospital, Bay Shore, N.Y.
David Alexander Riccio Benjamin Charles Ritter	Otolaryngology Medicine-Prelim Radiology-Diagnostic	University of Connecticut School of Medicine, Farmington, Conn. University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Lauryn Elizabeth Rudin Nicco Lorenzo Ruggiero Julian Grace Saleh Meghana NagaSai Sana	Internal Medicine Neurological Surgery Obstetrics-Gynecology Transitional Radiology-Diagnostic	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. Ohio State University Hospital, Columbus, Ohio University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Mich. Albert Einstein Healthcare Network, Philadelphia, Pa.
Nicholas Christian von Sass	Internal Medicine/JFK	University of Miami/JFK Medical Center Palm Beach Regional GME Consortium, Atlantis, Fla.
Eva Steeves Schlehr William Calder Schultz I'Yanna Narjee Scott Jeffrey John William Seeley Kyle Matthew Seifert Alyssa Nicole Sheedy Manhal Munir Siddiqi	Psychiatry Pediatrics Obstetrics-Gynecology Anesthesiology Emergency Medicine Obstetrics-Gynecology Neurological Surgery	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y. University of Michigan Health System, Ann Arbor, Mich. Sinai Hospital of Baltimore, Baltimore, Md. Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y. Memorial Healthcare System, Hollywood, Florida, Pembroke Pines, Fla. Westchester Medical Center, Valhalla, N.Y. Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, Ill.

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Afreen Siddiqui	Family Medicine	Mountain Area Health Education Center, Asheville, N.C.
Julia Cecille Silver	Internal Medicine	Tufts Medical Center, Boston, Mass.
Emily Margot Smith	Anesthesiology	Maine Medical Center, Portland, Maine
Xiane Loo Smith	Internal Medicine	UPMC Medical Education, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Olivia Rose Sorci	Internal Medicine	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Zoe Sophia Stone-Molloy	Internal Medicine Preliminary	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Claire Irene Sucharski	Medicine-Pediatrics	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Derek Raymond Tabaczynski	Emergency Medicine	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Peter Quang Tran	Emergency Medicine	Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas
Alexandria Araceli Tronccone	Psychiatry	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Lauren Mary Trumble	Internal Medicine	Dartmouth-Hitchcock/Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, Lebanon, N.H.
Lauren Elizabeth Turecki	Internal Medicine	University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, Mass.
Shelley Indusavi Verma	Medicine-Primary	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
Julia Suzanne Via	Emergency Medicine	University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, Mass.
Gregory John Vitone	Internal Medicine	Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia, Pa.
Jeremy Maddigan Walsh	Surgery-Prelim	State University of New York Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, N.Y.
Michael Weaver	Deferred Residency	
Timothy James Whelan	Orthopaedic Surgery	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.
Claire Elizabeth Wilcox	Pathology	UPMC Medical Education, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rachel Eden Williams	Plastic Surgery (Integrated)	Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, Ill.
Michael James Wilson	Internal Medicine	University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, Mass.
Christopher John Wood	Surgery-Prelim	New York Medical College, New York, N.Y.
Kendall Elizabeth Wright	Internal Medicine	Greenwich Hospital, Greenwich, Conn.
Caitlin Michelle Wuebbolt	Ophthalmology	State University of New York Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, N.Y.
Eric Young	Ophthalmology	State University of New York Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, N.Y.
Wasee Zafar	Anesthesiology	Strong Memorial Hospital of the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
	Transitional	Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell, Port Jefferson, N.Y.
	Radiology-Diagnostic	Jacobi Medical Center, Bronx, N.Y.
Ivana Zhang	Surgery-General	Coney Island Hospital, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Danya Nicole Ziazadeh	General Surgery	University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio
Jake Alan Zipp	Family Medicine	University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine, Buffalo, N.Y.

The Richard Sarkin/Emeritus Faculty Chapter of the Gold Humanism Honor Society

The Richard Sarkin/Emeritus Faculty Chapter of the Gold Humanism Honor Society (GHHS) stands as a visible expression of the School's commitment to the promotion of humanism in medicine and medical education. Inspired by the vision of Dr. Arnold P. Gold, the GHHS strives to place the patient in the heart of every healthcare interaction. To foster the "habit of humanism," the GHHS recognizes rising fourth year medical students who have demonstrated exemplary attitudes and behaviors in clinical and campus life, leadership, compassion and dedication to service. Members have been selected based on peer nominations and review by the Selection Committee.

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Honors and Awards

DEPARTMENT OF ANESTHESIOLOGY

Lieberman Award

interest and aptitude in the study of Anesthesiology

Nathan Michael Gartland
Emily Margot Smith

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE

Department of Emergency Medicine Scholastic Award

outstanding academic record in Emergency Medicine

Tessa Whitney Alianell

Society for Academic Emergency Medicine

excellence in Emergency Medicine

Peter Quang Tran

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY MEDICINE

American Academy of Family Physicians President's Award

outstanding academic record and a commitment to practice Family Medicine

Sara Elliott Feinland

Charles Bauda Award

academic excellence during third year

Andrea Belen Alfonsi
Mariah Celeste Reinard

G. Norris Miner Memorial Award

demonstration of outstanding clinical competence in Family Medicine

Margaret Susan Ahern
Jake Alan Zipp

Mark A. Petrino Award

demonstrated interest and aptitude for the general practice of Family Medicine

Adama Jalloh

DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE

The Bukowski Award

characteristics of high integrity, loyalty, thoughtfulness and thoroughness

Stephanie Goncalves Rangel

Patrick Costello Award

achieved highest grade on the written exam for Internal Medicine

Xiane Loo Smith

David K. Miller Prize in Medicine

competence, humility and humanity in caring for the sick

Laurn Elizabeth Rudin

Stephen J. Paolini Award

best exemplified the qualities of dedication and compassion which Dr. Paolini personified

Daniel Bradley Culpepper

Emilie Davis Rodenberg Memorial Award

demonstrated strong interest in the study of diabetes

Claire Irene Sucharskii
Susan Maureen Eichhorn

Harry E. and Loretta A. Jordan Award

recognizes a student for noteworthy investigation of cancer and neoplastic disease

Elliot David Kramer

DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE-PEDIATRICS

The Dr. Beth J. Wutz Memorial Award

a student who demonstrates a dedication to both intelligent and empathic care of both children and young adults

Elizabeth Ann Crinzi

DEPARTMENT OF NEUROLOGY

American Academy of Neurology Student Prize for Excellence

sustained interest and excellence in Neurology

Ian Richard Bogdanowicz

Jacob Richard Braun

Bernard H. Smith Memorial Award in Clinical Neurology

most outstanding performance in the Neurology clerkship

Michael John Meyer

DEPARTMENT OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY

Hans J. Lowenstein Award in Obstetrics

most outstanding clinical work

Tatiana Sobomo Amaye-Obu

Julian Grace Saleh

Sarah Maria Andres

DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

Dr. Thomas J. Guttuso Award

academic excellence in Ophthalmology

Cody Anthony Manzanero

Harry E. and Loretta A. Jordan Award

proficiency in Ophthalmology

Andy James Vega Medina

E. J. Weisenheimer Award

excellence in scholarship and patient care in Ophthalmology

Alexandra Kate Gilligan

DEPARTMENT OF ORTHOPAEDICS

Dr. Benjamin E. and Lila Oblatz Prize

academic achievement and interest in Orthopaedic Surgery

Itai Bezherano

DEPARTMENT OF OTOLARYNGOLOGY

Department of Otolaryngology Chairman's Award

demonstrated outstanding achievement in Otolaryngology

Lauren Ashley DiNardo

Honors and Awards

DEPARTMENT OF PATHOLOGY & ANATOMICAL SCIENCES

Association of Pathology Chairs Award
scholarship in Pathology

Claire Elizabeth Wilcox

Morris & Sadie Stein Award
excellence in Neuroscience

Lauren Ashley DiNardo

DEPARTMENT OF PEDIATRICS

Children's Hospital Prize
excellence in understanding childhood diseases

Christina Elizabeth Buscaglia

Richard T. Sarkin, M.D. Award/Buffalo Pediatric Society Award
outstanding clinical skills and commitment to primary care Pediatrics

Kelsey Elizabeth Gibson

Frederick B. Wilkes Pediatric Award
dedication to patients and the field of Pediatrics

Mariana Lynn Hand

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY

Gilbert M. Beck Memorial Prize in Psychiatry
academic excellence in Psychiatry

Joseph Harry Gerlach

S. Mouchly Small, M.D. Award
ability to relate well to patients, faculty, and staff

Julia Cecille Silver

Farney R. Wurlitzer Prize
outstanding work in Psychiatry

Grace Eujeania Herman

DEPARTMENT OF RADIOLOGY

Dr. George Alker Award
excellence in Radiology

Benjamin Charles Ritter

DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY

Buffalo Surgical Society Prize in Surgery
academic excellence in the clinical years

Kristen Laura Kosmerl

Department of Surgery Chair's Award
superior clinical performance and the highest score on the Surgery exam

Teresa Ruth Pullano

Dr. Heinrich Leonhardt Prize in Surgery
academic excellence

Alyssa Diane Reese

RESEARCH AWARDS

Bacelli Award
most outstanding research by a medical student

Allison Chowdhury

Robert M. Bannerman Memorial Research Award
most notable research in biomedical science initiated during the UB Jacobs School of Medicine's Summer Research Fellowship Program

Caitlin Michelle Wuebbolt

Erika Bruck Award
research or thesis based on concepts of the basic sciences as applied to a clinical problem

Emma Katherine Haley

Research Honors Awards
a commitment to excellence in research during medical school

Olumayowa Titilope Adebisi
Adil Ali
Salma Attai
Trinithas Jeanne Boyi
Lindsey Catherine Caines
Ricki Chen
Lauren Ashley DiNardo
Brendan Richard Fitzpatrick
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Michael Anthony Khan
Gaganjot Parmar
Jacob Michael Perkins
Maya Sunita Raghavan
Manhal Munir Siddiqi
Afreem Siddiqui
Jeremy Maddigan Walsh
Rachel Eden Williams

Honors and Awards

Thesis Honors Awards

outstanding research supported by a written thesis satisfying the School's highest standard

Alexander Otilio Aguirre
Allison Chowdhury
Alyssa Diane Reese
Nicco Lorenzo Ruggiero

ASSOCIATION AWARDS AND MEMORIALS

Dr. Avery Ellis Memorial Award

for work advancing the curriculum or implementing a new and lasting school initiative

Jelyn Cruz Eustaquio
Anna Elizabeth Lange
Wei Liu

Dr. James Goldinger Curriculum Leadership Award

leadership, enthusiasm, and a dedication to teaching

Bradley Terence Jensen

National Medical Association Award

excellence in scholarship, leadership and commitment to community service

Olumayowa Titilope Adebisi

John Paroski, M.D. Memorial Award

compassion and excellence in patient care

Ian Richard Bogdanowicz

Philip P. Sang Memorial Award

ability to relate well to patients, faculty, and staff

Amanda Anna Geiger

The Dr. Karen Schupak Memorial Medical Student Award

demonstrates a high degree of empathy when working with patients

Emily Margot Smith

MEDICAL SCHOOL AWARDS AND DEAN'S AWARDS

The Evan Calkins M.D. and Virginia Calkins M.D.

Primary Care Achievement Award

exceptional performance in primary care and outstanding personal characteristics including compassion, integrity, judgement, and leadership

Kelsey Elizabeth Gibson

Elizabeth Award

unusual compassion and a noteworthy personal and professional sense of integrity and ethics

Andrea Belen Alfonsi

Bernhardt & Sophie Gottlieb Award

expertise in areas outside medicine

Ryan John Mackey

Medical Alumni Association Award

outstanding community service and commitment

Alyssa Dzik

Medical Alumni Association Dean's Award

participation in extracurricular activities in the Medical School while maintaining a high standard of academic excellence

Andy James Vega Medina

Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award

exemplary compassion and sensitivity in the delivery of care

Alyssa Diane Reese

Merck Academic Excellence Award

outstanding academics coupled with noteworthy humanism and leadership

Allison Chowdhury
Cody Anthony Manzanero
Teresa Ruth Pullano
Rachel Eden Williams

James Platt White Society Award

intellectual vigor and moral courage

Ricki Chen
Meghan Rose Long

Harold J. Levy Award in Psychophysiological Medicine

worked to make a positive difference on the well-being of fellow medical students

Sarah Maria Andres

The Roy E. Seibel Sr. MD Medical School Award

Academic excellence and outstanding character

Itai Bezherano

Wendel Award in Wellness and Inclusion

is presented to a student who has worked to advocate for their peer's inclusivity or wellness.

Claire Irene Sucharski

Carosella Award

Strength of character, personal integrity, academic achievement

Elizabeth Ann Crinzi

Latin Honors

Margaret Susan Ahern

Adil Ali

Matthew Theeran Ambalavanar

Shady Samir Azmy

Matthew Domenic Berardi

Itai Bezherano

Ian Richard Bogdanowicz

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Peter Quang Tran

Lauren Mary Trumble

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Wasee Zafar

Ivana Zhang

Dean's Letter of Commendation

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Charge Of Maimonides

"May the Almighty, source of Mercy, be with you in all your efforts to heal the sick.

"May you be filled with love for your art and for mankind.

"May the thirst for gain and desire for fame be far from your heart, for these are the enemies of pity and the ministers of hate.

"May your strength be preserved that you may be able to restore the strength of the rich and the poor, the good and the bad, the friend and the foe. May you see in the sufferer the human alone.

"When those wiser teach you, may you be humble to learn, for the human mind is so limited, and the art of healing is so vast.

"May there never arise in you the notion that you know enough, but may you always have strength, leisure, and zeal to enlarge your knowledge. Your work is great and the mind of mankind presses forward forever.

"You have been chosen to watch over the life and death of the creatures of the Most High, and from the Most High will come the guidance and strength that shall make this immense work of avail."

The Oath

I swear to fulfill, to the best of my ability, this covenant:

I will respect the scientific gains of those physicians and scientists in whose steps I walk, and gladly share such knowledge as is mine with those who are to follow.

I will remember that there is both art and science to medicine.

I will pursue the expansion of my knowledge throughout my life for the benefit of my patients.

I will practice medicine with conscience and dignity.

I will respect the privacy of my patients and not judge them.

I will prevent disease whenever I can; for prevention is preferable to cure.

Most especially I will tread with care in matters of life and death. If it be merely within my abilities to help ease suffering at the end of a life, may I face this awesome responsibility with humility and awareness of my own frailty.

I vow always to act to preserve the finest traditions of my calling and may I long experience the joy of healing those who seek my help.

Academic Costume

In 1971, to commemorate the 125th anniversary of the founding of the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, the first division of the University, an official academic gown*, uniquely that of the Jacobs School, was adopted.

The gown and hood are of royal blue, one of the colors of both the University at Buffalo and the State University of New York. The panels and chevrons are of hunter green velvet, the traditional color of the discipline of medicine, and are outlined in silver. A silver Aesculapian staff, classical symbol of medicine, is embroidered on the left panel. The octagonal tam, which is hunter green with a silver tassel, replaces the traditional, "mortarboard" of the British universities and is a return to the hat styles employed in the Middle Ages in continental universities.

A Doctor of Philosophy academic gown, unique to the Jacobs School, was adopted in 1979. The gown and hood are also royal blue, but the panels and chevrons are "doctor of philosophy blue" with a silver outline. A blue velvet octagonal tam with a silver tassel complements the gown and hood.

The Aesculapian Staff

The Aesculapian staff, traditional symbol of medicine, has its origins in Greek mythology.

According to legend, Apollo, the Greek god of health and pestilence, taught the Centaur Chiron the art of healing. Chiron, in turn, taught the art to Achilles and Aesculapius. The latter, many historians believe, actually lived and practiced medicine about 1250 B.C.

In Greek mythology, Aesculapius cured his patients by having his sacred serpents lick the ill person. His children, Panacea and Hygeia, were personifications of health. Fearing that Aesculapius might make humans immune to disease and, hence, immortal, Zeus slew Aesculapius.

The cult that developed about Aesculapius saw the construction of temples where the sick would go to be licked by sacred serpents or bathed in healing waters. The staff with one serpent coiled about it became the symbol of Aesculapius and eventually the symbol of medicine.

The winged staff with two serpents intertwined is the symbol of Mercury, the messenger of Greek gods, and has no relevance to healing or medicine, although it is mistakenly used by some to denote medicine.

A replica of the staff* is used in the School's commencement ceremonies and is carried by the Chief Marshal during the processional. Following the invocation, he presents the staff to the Dean. This symbolizes the presentation of the graduating class and opens the exercises. To close the ceremonies, the Dean returns the staff to the Chief Marshal.

Upon receipt of the staff, the Marshal announces the conclusion of the exercises and then proceeds to lead the recessional from the ceremonial stage.

*Designed by Dr Robert L. Brown

The Mace

From its origin as a weapon of the Middle Ages, the mace has evolved into a symbol of authority associated with the formal ceremonial rituals of educational, religious, and governmental institutions with a western European heritage.

The traditional mace incorporates in its design elements of the history of the institution, its origin, its discipline, or its relationships. The School of Medicine's mace, which was designed and constructed by Dr. Robert L. Brown, follows this tradition.

Mounted on the drum-shaped head are six rectangular, faceted chips of red sandstone. They are fragments of a surviving block from the first School of Medicine built by the University in 1848 and occupied until 1893. These stones represent the original six departments of study at the School.

Surmounting the head is a crown of cast silver with six oval pieces of polished jade. The dark green color of jade is the academic color of medicine, and the stone has the additional folklore attribution of relieving the wearer's back pain.

Rising above the spikes of the crown, a forked silver staff of Aesculapius is surrounded by a single serpent—the authentic caduceus of medicine.

Implanted in the head of the mace is a seed from a Plane tree (which grows on the island of Cos in Asia Minor) under which Hippocrates is

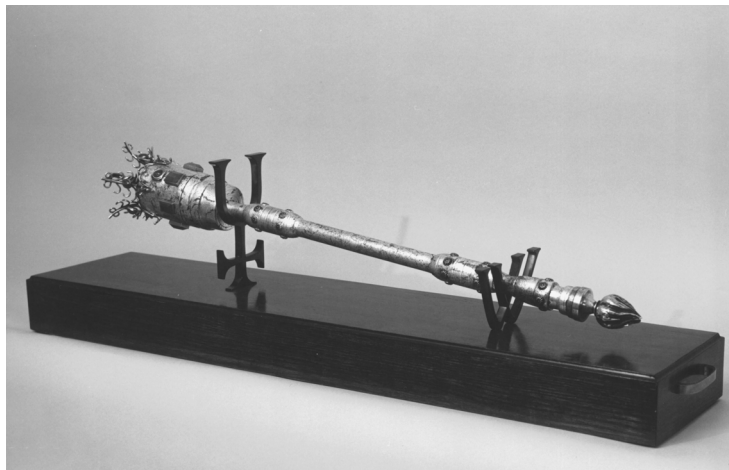
reputed to have taught the beginnings of scientific medicine, the origin of the practices of the western world.

Located at the end of the mace's shaft is a silver flame finial cast of a fragment of woodwork from the library of the School of Medicine located on High Street and occupied from 1892 to 1953. The flaming urns (a motif of the library) represented the eternal search for knowledge. The wooden form of the mace is covered with antiqued silver leaf.

The cradle holding the mace consists of two rests in the form of medieval alchemist symbols. The larger symbol is that of the element and Roman god Mercury, associated by the ancients with health. The smaller symbol represents the element silver and the Roman goddess Diana, helper of women in childbirth. The oak planking of the base is library shelving (now over ninety years old) from the School on High Street.

Mythology, folklore, ancient traditions of medicine, and elements of this University's history in the education of physicians are in the School of Medicine mace.

During the commencement ceremonies, the School's mace is carried by one of Marshals. Following the processional, the mace is placed in its cradle, which is located on the ceremonial stage. At the conclusion of the exercises, the Marshal removes the mace from the cradle and carries it in the recessional.



UB Alma Mater

*Music by Walter S. Goodale, MD, 1903.
Lyrics adapted by UB students in 2006 for
contemporary use.*

Verse 1:

The pride of our spirit and tradition,
Our alma mater's truth and name declare.
Celebrate our history and wisdom,
O let us all prepare to sing her glory.

Refrain:

To Buffalo all hail to thee,
Noble and strong it's our university!
To blue and white pledge loyalty,
Singing, I will always remember thee!

Verse 2:

We'll ever keep our standards high,
And sing UB's praises to the sky.
Receiving the finest education,
Our knowledge we impart unto the nations.

(Repeat refrain)

Verse 3:

Our friends we've made with ties that bind,
A union of our spirit, heart, and mind.
Together we'll continue life's journey,
O may dear Buffalo forever be.

(Repeat refrain)

Medical Alumni Association Letter



Dear Class of 2024,

On behalf of the Medical Alumni Association, congratulations on your graduation from the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences! With your new degree and title as a Medical Doctor, you and your family have a lot to be proud of. As you celebrate this achievement, please reflect on your time in medical school and remember everyone who supported you along the way. Your class has overcome so much adversity, and we know you are prepared for the challenges ahead.

We are grateful for the experiences with your class and this opportunity to welcome you into our Alumni network. Our tradition of supporting alumni, residents, and students continues to succeed and we are happy to welcome you into the UB alumni family.

As you move onto residency and start your career, we hope you remember your time at UB with fondness and pride for our great institution. The Alumni Association is a resource for you and will help keep you connected to the university, your medical school, our alumni network, and current students.

Also, consider joining us at local and regional events which connect you with alumni who are available to support you professionally and personally. We encourage you to provide that same support in the years ahead, especially so we can connect you with our medical students who are interviewing and live in your area. Wherever you are, we look forward to having you return as ambassadors for the school and UB.

We encourage you to stay current so you can receive all news about alumni happenings locally and regionally. It will also allow us to inform you when students and faculty are visiting your area should you wish to connect with them. Please share your continued accomplishments and updates along the way so we can also acknowledge you by submitting a "classnote" using the QR code below. If you don't already, we hope you follow our Jacobs School social media campaigns for when you're feeling nostalgic, or just want to see what new innovations and collaborations are happening at our school. We would love to highlight your alumni journeys on these platforms, so stay in touch!

Again, congratulations, and best wishes as you continue your medical training. We hope to see you at your first alumni reception on Friday, May 31, at your five-year reunion in 2029, or sooner. We are incredibly proud of you and delighted to welcome you as the newest members of the Medical Alumni Association.

Sincerely,

Melissa Rayhill, MD '10 @ mrayhill@buffalo.edu
President, Medical Alumni Association, 2023-2025
Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

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The modern seal for the University at Buffalo harks back to a design adopted in 1923 to reflect the evolution of the university from separate schools into a more close-knit organization. Though the seal has been revised several times over the decades, the foundational elements remain: a proud bison signifying the City of Buffalo atop a shield supported by the palm leaves of victory and emblazoned with the flames of wisdom.

