

The University of North Carolina



The Class of 2021

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Ceremony*

May 7, 2021

CLASS OF 2021

Safiyya Abdul Adam
Kedreja Veronica Adams
Hussein Ahmad
Rawaa Fouad Al Rifaie
Nicolas Eric Alcalá
Lauren Marie Allen
Kristina Kiely Alton
Prosper Menseh Amponsah
Kevin Fordyce Andringa
Hannah Louise Angle
Robert Joseph Arend
Anthony Michael Asher
Benjamin Atkinson
Martin Bahena
Janine Nicole Baldino
Vashti Lynnae Bandy
Elizabeth Herrman Barefoot
Phil J. Barker II
Mauricio Antonio Barreto
Neal Edward Bartl
Catherine Mabel Basskin
Connor Moss Belson
Halei Collette Benefield
Mary Hunter Benton
Alexis Jordan Betancourt
Shweta Bhatia
Madiha Zafar Bhatti
Shane Lewis Bierly
Kyle Samuel Bingham
Calvin Jamal Blocker
Ainsley Katherine Bloomer
Roman Peele Blount IV
Hannah Therese Boutros
Bryan Richards Bozung
Ronald Lindsay Brady, Jr.
Melissa Anne Brown
Jenny Bui
Brainard Monroe Burrus
Mehmet Levent Calikoglu
Alexander Louis Carlson
Chloe Natasha Gis Chabanon-Hicks
Bryan Addison Chadwick
Hui Xiao Chao
Chika Iheoma Chukwu
Jason Michael Collier
John Alexander Cook
Stephanie Ryanne Corder
Keri Malament Cowles
Amanda Marie Crooks
Ashley Jalisa Crosby
Christopher Joseph Cunningham
Kenneth Andrew Cutshaw
Erik Mason Davies*
Chamara Jayalanka Dharmasri
Edward Diaz
Lorenza An-Jia Donnelly*
Sean J. Donohue
Christina Dorismond
Julia Kate Draper
Anneliese Brianna Duncan
Natalie Sievert Dunlop*
Tiffany Arianna Dyer
William James Ellis
Mohamed Taj Eltilib
Nafiah Syeda Enayet
Keren Eyal

Bronwyn Elizabeth Fadem
Taylor Fish
Zachary Britt Fisher
Chelsea Danielle Fitzhugh
Destiny Dawn Folk
Richard Luke Ford
Brianna Nicole Frame
Caroline Fryar
Matthew James Gellatly
Ameer Niranjan Ghodke
Shannon Joy Gillespie
Bria Adimora Godley
Megan Shea Grant
John Frederick Gravelle
Calvin Raj Gross
Megan Seema Gurjar
Judy Hamad
Madeleine Marie Hamilton
Elisa Battistoni Hannan*
Evan Grattan Hatch
Justin Lovell Hills
Diego Armando Hipolito Canario
Allison Grace Hollowell
Austin Mitchell Hopkins*
Kaiulani Michelle Houston
Geoffrey Michael Houtz
Adam Crews Hunter
Matthew Isaacs*
Jihane Jadi
Alexander David Jeffs
Frances Gaines Jenkins
Stephanie Marie Jensen
Hilary Ragin Jessup
Lucas Collier John
Breanna Caitlin Johnson
Daniel Roman Johnson
Anna Elaine Jones
Anna Rachel Kahkoska
Ghallia Souad Kaouk
Benjamin Jacob Kaplan
Eugene Brooks Keener
David Kerner
Asif Alam Khan
Erin Minjeong Kim
Helene Eugenie Kirschke-Schwartz
Melissa Klein
Nicholas Burke Koch
Anjana Minni Kumar
Asim Ahmed Lal
Patrick Huan Le
Nicholas Robert Lenze
Jessica Leuchtenburg
Matthew Benjamin Lipner
Andres A. Lopez
Daniel Oluwatimilehin Macaulay*
Kelly Lalage Maiche
Daniel Elias Marks
Anna Shelby Marx
Thomas Mayer
Chandler Michelle McGee
Joi McLaughlin
Charles Aycock McLendon
Stephen Higgins McMahan
Darren Lashawn McNeill
Sarah Rebecca McShane
Neil Darshy Mehta

Katherine Arden Miller
Jeffrey Milner II
Amy Judith Moulthrop
Jonathan Fitzgerald Napper, Jr.
Caroline Suzanne Naso
Dean Nehama
Michelle Ngoc Nguyen
Tam Duy Nguyen
Portia Mponyana Nleya
Felicia Nkechi Obialo
Enioluwafe Dorothy Ojo
Chris Uchenna Okorieocha
Folafunmi Omofoye
Chukwuma Onyebuenyi
Brandon Matthew Oswald
Charles Bowne Peterson
Davis Frederick Phillips
Jaslyn Bria Piggott
Jonathan Lanson Plyler
Jenay Alexis Powell*
Harish Seshadri Pudukodu
Rachel Reiss
Casey Allison Rimland
Devin Russell
Christian Butler Ryckley
David Scott Sailer
Pranavi Sanka
Wesley Mulles Sayre
Sara Chico Schambach
Ryan Patrick Searcy
Mary Shell
Pragna Nanjundeswar Shetty
Robert Thomas Short III
Anna Elise Silverstein
Krishan Sivaraj
Sarah Lanier Slightom
Christof Chiu Smith
Hannah Emily Smith
Hunter Gibson Smith
Greeshma Somashekar
Jessica Noelle Stevens
Juliana Winkler Stone
Shelby Elizabeth Stoneking
Jarrod Edward Suddreth
Mikaela Highland Sullivan
Craig Allen Sweeney
Lindsey Nicole Szakasits**
Kelly Jo Tackett
Kevin Tie
Emily Trambert Kylstra
Christopher Jordan Trennepohl
Randall Lee Ung
Tyler Donald Glen Walburn
Meagan JoAnn Watkins
Julia Austin Watson
Nelly Marianne Weledji
Jared Douglas Williams
Samuel Peter Wurzelmann
Matthew Martin Yeager
Alana Marie Zeitany
Cynthia Zhou

*December 2020 graduate

**August 2020 graduate

**University of North Carolina School of Medicine
2021 Hooding Program**

**A. Wesley Burks, M.D.
Dean, University of North Carolina School of Medicine
Vice Chancellor for Medical Affairs
CEO, UNC Health**

WELCOME: A. Wesley Burks, M.D., Dean

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2021: Cristy Page, M.D., M.P.H., Executive Dean

SENIOR REMARKS: CO-PRESIDENTS, CLASS OF 2021: Jihane Jadi and Mikaela Sullivan

INVITED SPEAKER: Kenya McNeal-Trice, M.D., Professor of Pediatrics, Chief Graduate Medical Education Officer/ACGME Designated Institutional Official at UNC Hospitals, Senior Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education, UNC School of Medicine

A CELEBRATION OF THE CLASS OF 2021: Julie Byerley, M.D., M.P.H., Interim Dean of UNC Adams School of Dentistry

A VIRTUAL HOODING OF THE CLASS OF 2021

Marco Alemán, M.D.

Martin Bahena, Mauricio Barreto, Melissa Brown, Hui Xiao Chao, Anneliese Duncan, Keren Eyal, Bronwyn Fadem, Stephanie Jensen, Andres Lopez, Katherine Miller, Tam Nguyen, Hunter Smith, Matthew Yeager

Anthony Charles, M.D., M.P.H.

Anthony Asher, Elizabeth Barefoot, Jihane Jadi, Sarah McShane, Pragna Shetty, Alana Zeitany

Alice Chuang, M.D., M.Ed.

Ainsley Bloomer, Brainard Burrus, Jason Collier, Matthew Gellatly, Adam Hunter, Lucas John, Erin Kim, Helene Kirschke-Schwartz, Chandler McGee, Folafunmi Omofoye, Jenay Powell, Robert Short III, Julia Watson

Georgette Dent, M.D.

Rawaa Al Rifaie, Hannah Boutros, Ashley Crosby, Zachary Fisher, Madeleine Hamilton, Jonathan Napper, Jr., Caroline Naso, Davis Phillips, Devin Russell, Christian Ryckele, Tyler Walburn

Neva Howard, M.D., M.S.

Kristina Alton, Mary Hunter Benton, Kyle Bingham, Roman Blount IV, Julia Draper, Tiffany Dyer, Austin Hopkins, Ghallia Kaouk, Jessica Leuchtenburg, Anna Marx, Felicia Obialo, Chukwuma Onyebuenyi, Harish Pudukodu, Kelly Jo Tackett, Emily Trambert Kylstra, Nelly Weledji, Samuel Wurzelmann

Edward Kernick, D.P.M

Safiyya Adam, Bryan Chadwick, Sean Donohue, Taylor Fish, Brianna Frame, Allison Hollowell, Amy Moulthrop, Brandon Oswald, Pranavi Sanka, Craig Sweeney

Kimberley Nichols, M.D., F.A.S.A.

Kedeja Adams, Prosper Amponsah, Vashti Bandy, Phil Barker II, Jenny Bui, Chika Chukwu, Mohamed Eltilib, Nafiah Enayet, Chelsea Fitzhugh, Judy Hamad, Justin Hills, Hilary Jessup, Anjana Kumar, Joi McLaughlin, Darien McNeill, Jeffrey Milner II, Portia Nleya, Enioluwafe Ojo, Jaslyn Piggott, Christopher Trennepohl

Peadar Noone, M.D., F.C.C.P., F.R.C.P.I., D.C.H., M.R.C.G.P.

Lauren Allen, Hannah Angle, Janine Baldino, Catherine Basskin, Shane Bierly, Erik Davies, Chamara Dharmasri, Eugene Brooks Keener, Kelly Maiche, Thomas Mayer, David Sailer, Anna Silverstein, Hannah Smith, Juliana Stone, Jarrod Suddreth, Jared Williams

Luigi Pascarella, M.D.

Alexis Betancourt, Shannon Gillespie, Frances Jenkins, Nicholas Koch, Krishan Sivaraj

Beat Steiner, M.D., M.P.H.

Connor Belson, Shweta Bhatia, Stephanie Corder, Amanda Crooks, Christina Dorismond, John Gravelle, Megan Gurjar, Diego Hipolito Canario, Alexander Jeffs, Breanna Johnson, Benjamin Kaplan, Matthew Lipner, Casey Rimland, Wesley Sayre, Mikaela Sullivan, Meagan Watkins

**COMMISSIONING OF MILITARY OFFICERS:.....Martin McCaffrey, M.D., Capt. USN (Ret.)
CommissioneesKevin Andringa, Ronald Brady, Jr., Brandon Oswald
(See video online at www.med.unc.edu/graduation)**

**CLASS OF 2021 RECITES THE OATH OF HIPPOCRATES, led by A. Wesley Burks, M.D.
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CONCLUSION: Beat Steiner, M.D., M.P.H., Senior Associate Dean for Medical Student Education

THE UNC ALMA MATER: HARK THE SOUND:Lyrics may be found on the last page

**HONORS AND AWARDS
GRADUATING CLASS OF 2021**

These awards represent some of the many awards and honors received by members of the Class of 2021.

Dual Degree Recipients

M.D./Doctor of Philosophy

Halei Benefield	Alexander Carlson	Hui Xiao Chao	Anna Kahkoska	Matthew Lipner
Dean Nehama	Casey Rimland	Christof Smith	Randall Ung	

M.D./Master of Public Health

Prosper Amponsah	Melissa Brown	Jenny Bui	Julia Draper
Keren Eyal	Shannon Gillespie	Judy Hamad	Adam Hunter
Matthew Isaacs	Stephanie Jensen	Anna Jones	Benjamin Kaplan
Melissa Klein	Nicolas Lenze	Jessica Leuchtenburg	Charles McLendon
Tam Nguyen	Enioluwafe Ojo	Pragna Shetty	Krishan Sivaraj
Sarah Slightom	Hunter Smith	Kelly Jo Tackett	Emily Trambert Kylstra
Christopher Trennepohl	Nelly Weledji	Alana Zeitany	

M.D./Master of Business Administration (degrees conferred May 2021)

Calvin Blocker	Brainard Burrus	Kenneth Cutshaw
Breanna Johnson	Greeshma Somashekar	Samuel Wurzelmann

M.D./Master of Theological Studies (degree conferred May 2021) Calvin Gross

M.D./Certificate in Theological Studies Roman Blount IV

M.D./Master of Education Madiha Bhatti

M.D./Master of Fine Arts (degree conferred May 2021) Austin Hopkins

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society: Founded in 1902, AOA is the national medical honor society which recognizes those medical students in the academic top twenty-five percent of the class who have demonstrated significant levels of research, service and/or leadership. **Inducted in third year.*

Anthony Asher*	Shweta Bhatia*	Hannah Boutros	Jenny Bui
Alexander Carlson	Hui Xiao Chao*	Stephanie Corder	Christopher Cunningham*
Kenneth Cutshaw	Christina Dorismond*	Calvin Gross*	Judy Hamad*
Jihane Jadi*	Stephanie Jensen	Anna Kahkoska*	Melissa Klein
Nicholas Lenze	Matthew Lipner	Michelle Nguyen	Charles Peterson
Harish Pudukodu	Rachel Reiss	Casey Rimland	Ryan Searcy*
Robert Short III	Hunter Smith	Mikaela Sullivan*	Tyler Walburn
Julia Watson			<i>*Inducted in third year</i>

Alan W. Cross Social Medicine Paper Award Hannah Boutros

American Academy of Neurology’s Medical Student Prize for Excellence in Neurology Kaiulani Houston

American Medical Women’s Association Glasgow Rubin Commendations for Academic Achievement

Hannah Angle	Shweta Bhatia	Hui Xiao Chao*	Christina Dorismond
Keren Eyal	Brianna Frame	Judy Hamad	Madeleine Hamilton
Anna Jones	Melissa Klein	Michelle Nguyen	Casey Rimland
Mikaela Sullivan			<i>*First in class</i>

Brett J. Pearce and Lauren K. Brown Memorial Award Kaiulani Houston, Hunter Smith

Cecil G. Sheps Award in Social Medicine Austin Hopkins, Tam Nguyen, Enioluwafe Ojo

Christopher C. Fordham III Student Award Ryan Searcy

David A. Mayberry Pediatrics Award..... Mauricio Barreto, Halei Benefield

Deborah C. Leary Award Connor Belson, Melissa Klein

Earl D. Short, Jr., M.D. Outstanding Medical Student Prize Harish Pudukodu

Family Medicine Student Award Allison Hollowell

F.I.R.S.T. Scholars Lucas John, Katherine Miller

Frank Lee Dameron Award Kedeja Adams, Jarrod Suddreth

Gilbert J. Cuthbertson, M.D. & Megan C. Danton, M.D. Memorial Award Greeshma Somashekar

George C. Thrasher, Jr. Award for Psychiatry Enioluwafe Ojo

George F. Sheldon, M.D. Award for Excellence in Surgery Jihane Jadi

Gold Humanism Honor Society Inductees

Safiyya Adam	Anthony Asher	Phil Barker II	Halei Benefield
Hannah Boutros	Jenny Bui	Erik Davies	Anneliese Duncan
Mohamed Eltilib	Nafiah Enayet	Keren Eyal	Bronwyn Fadem
Caroline Fryar	Shannon Gillespie	Calvin Gross	Judy Hamad
Justin Hills	Stephanie Jensen	Breanna Johnson	Benjamin Kaplan
Helen Kirschke-Schwartz	Asim Lal	Andres Lopez	Kelly Maiche
Sarah McShane	Michelle Nguyen	Tam Nguyen	Enioluwafe Ojo
Chukwuma Onyebuanyi	Jenay Powell	Anna Silverstein	Hunter Smith
Greeshma Somashekar	Juliana Stone	Kelly Jo Tackett	Emily Trambert Kylstra

Harold. C. Pillsbury Student Research Awards

Janine Baldino	Mauricio Barreto	Halei Benefield	Ainsley Bloomer
Kenneth Cutshaw	Ameer Ghodke	Benjamin Kaplan	Juliana Stone
Kelly Jo Tackett			

Heusner Pupil Award Caroline Fryar

Howard Holderness Distinguished Medical Scholars

Mohamed Eltilib	Ameer Ghodke	Diego Hipolito Canario	Patrick Le	Michelle Nguyen
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Isaac Hall Manning Award Anna Kahkoska

James A. Bryan II Award..... Chamara Dharmasri

James Bell Bullitt Award..... Benjamin Kaplan

J. Rush Shull, M.D. Scholarship Andres Lopez, Portia Nleya, Enioluwafe Ojo

June C. Allcott Fellowship..... Mauricio Barreto, Caroline Fryar

Kenan Rural/Urban Primary Care Medical Scholars

Safiyya Adam	Benjamin Atkinson	Kyle Bingham	Julia Draper	Keren Eyal
Chelsea Fitzhugh	Luke Ford	Caroline Fryar	Allison Hollowell	Sarah McShane
Mary Shell	Robert Short III	Jarrod Suddreth	Meagan Watkins	

Lawrence Zollicoffer-Alan Cross Fellowship Kedeja Adams, Enioluwafe Ojo

Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Student Award..... Kaiulani Houston
presented by The Arnold P. Gold Foundation

Lucius Blanchard Carolina Family Loyalty Fund Scholars

Stephanie Corder	Erik Davies	Keren Eyal	Zachary Fisher
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Medical Alumna Loyalty Scholars

Kedeja Adams	Prosper Amponsah	Anthony Asher	Martin Bahena
Janine Baldino	Mauricio Barreto	Catherine Basskin	Shane Bierly
Hannah Boutros	Jenny Bui	Brainard Burrus	Ashley Crosby
Christopher Cunningham	Chamara Dharmasri	Sean Donohue	Christina Dorismond
Julia Draper	Mohamed Eltilib	Caroline Fryar	Shannon Gillespie
Judy Hamad	Diego Hipolito Canario	Kaiulani Houston	Adam Hunter
Breanna Johnson	Benjamin Kaplan	David Kerner	Asif Khan
Asim Lal	Nicholas Lenze	Andres Lopez	Charles McLendon
Darien McNeill	Michelle Nguyen	Portia Nleya	Charles Peterson
Devin Russell	Ryan Searcy	Robert Short III	Krishan Sivaraj
Hunter Smith	Greeshma Somashekar	Mikaela Sullivan	Kelly Jo Tackett
Emily Trambert Kylstra			

Michiko Kuno Research Award..... Halei Benefield, Ameer Ghodke

NC Rural Promise Scholars

Hussein Ahmad	Kyle Bingham	Julia Draper
Allison Hollowell	Daniel Johnson	Jarrod Suddreth

Patricia S. White Distinguished Public Service in Medicine Award Robert Short III

Paul F. Lachiewicz Award for Orthopaedics..... Alexander Jeffs

Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Physiatry Excellence Award..... Darien McNeill

Pisacano Scholarship Benjamin Kaplan

Primary Care & Population Health Scholars

Melissa Brown	Julia Draper	Keren Eyal	Caroline Fryar
Calvin Gross	Stephanie Jensen	Anna Jones	Benjamin Kaplan
Asif Khan	Melissa Klein	Nicholas Lenze	Enioluwafe Ojo
Rachel Reiss	Hunter Smith	Greeshma Somashekar	Emily Trambert Kylstra

Scott Neal Schwirck Fellowship Anna Kahkoska, Dean Nehama

Social Justice Service Fellowship Asif Khan

Society for Academic Emergency Medicine's

Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award..... Elizabeth Barefoot

United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Award Benjamin Kaplan
White Coats Black Doctors Excellence Scholarship Vashti Bandy, Enioluwafe Ojo
William deB. MacNider Award Phil Barker II, Juliana Stone
William Hersey Davis Scholarship Mauricio Barreto, Hunter Smith

2021 FACULTY AND HOUSE STAFF AWARDS

Henry C. Fordham Award Ashley Appiagyei, M.D., M.P.H.

Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Faculty Award Marco Alemán, M.D.
presented by The Arnold P. Gold Foundation

Professor Award Beat Steiner, M.D., M.P.H.

Dr. Robert Alonzo Bashford

March 4, 1945-December 31, 2019

In December of 2019, we bid farewell to a beloved member of the School of Medicine faculty, Dr. Robert Bashford. Known far and wide for his teaching abilities, his mentorship of scores of students, and his unstoppable sense of humor, Dr. Bashford was truly one of a kind. As Associate Dean for Admissions, he presided over the beginning of medical careers for more than 1500 students, and in 2013 was instrumental in developing the Kenan Rural Scholars Program. He looked for students who possessed what he called “a rural heart.” The Class of 2021 was the final class Dr. Bashford admitted prior to moving on to direct the Office of Rural Initiatives, through which he oversaw rural health pipeline programs for medical students, with an eye toward providing medical care in NC where it is sorely needed. He was a kind and generous person, and a wonderful colleague and teacher. His impact will be felt on many levels and for many years as the students he recruited, trained, and mentored care for the people of North Carolina.

“...a rural heart...”

The Oath of Hippocrates*

I do solemnly swear by all I hold most sacred:

- That I will be loyal to the profession of medicine and act justly toward its members;
- That I will lead my life and practice my art with virtue and honor;
- That into whatsoever home I shall enter, it shall be for the good of the sick and the well, by the utmost of my power, and that I will hold myself aloof from wrong and from corruption and from the tempting of others to vice;
- That I will exercise my art solely for the benefit of my patients, the relief of suffering, the prevention of disease and the promotion of health, and I will give no drug and perform no act for an immoral purpose;
- That in the treatment of the sick, I will consider their well-being to be of greater importance than their ability to compensate my services;
- That I will be a faithful guardian of trust whose stewardship of secrets is beyond reproach; and
- That I will commit myself to a lifetime of continued learning and teaching of the art and science of medicine.

These things I do promise and, in proportion as I am faithful to this oath, may happiness and good repute be ever mine, but should I trespass and violate this oath, may the reverse be my lot.

**This oath was revised by The University of North Carolina School of Medicine, Chapel Hill, Class of 2002, and is reviewed on an annual basis.*

2021 STUDENT DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

Emergency Medicine: Society for Academic Emergency Medicine's Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award is given each year to an outstanding student in this specialty, and the recipient is selected by the Department of Emergency Medicine.

Family Medicine: Family Medicine Student Award is given each year to a medical student in recognition of his or her accomplishments and dedication to the ideals of family medicine. The recipient is chosen on the basis of his or her embodiment of the principles of family medicine, service, intention of practicing family medicine, and overall scholarship.

Isaac Hall Manning Award: In 1954, an anonymous donor established a fund to provide an annual award in honor of Isaac Hall Manning, M.D., Class of 1895, who served the School of Medicine from 1905 to 1933 as a Professor of Physiology and Dean. Members of the graduating class are nominated by faculty for the Isaac Hall Manning Award on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership, initiative, and original investigative work.

Neurology: American Academy of Neurology's Medical Student Prize for Excellence in Neurology recognizes graduating medical students for excellence in clinical neurology. The UNC recipient is selected by faculty in the Department of Neurology.

Orthopaedics: Paul F. Lachiewicz Award for Orthopaedics recognizes clinical or research achievement and is given each year to a student who matched into an orthopaedic residency program.

Pediatrics: David A. Mayberry Award is given to the graduating senior who, during any period of clinical training within the Department of Pediatrics, has demonstrated exceptional human qualities and clinical scholarship in the care of children with cancer. A special faculty committee selects the recipient each year.

Physiatry: Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Excellence Award was created by Founding Chair Dr. Michael Y. Lee in honor of his parents, Drs. Michael M. and Shrine G. Lee, and recognizes and honors the senior medical student who demonstrates the exemplary qualities necessary to care for persons with physical disabilities. An exemplary physiatrist is caring, compassionate, and has a genuine interest in improving each patient's quality of life and function. The recipient is selected by faculty and residents of the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

Psychiatry: George C. Thrasher, Jr. Award was established in 1965 by the UNC Department of Psychiatry in honor of the memory of Dr. Thrasher, a faculty member in Psychiatry who played a major role in teaching medical students, and is given to the member of the graduating class who, during his or her medical school experience, showed the most outstanding performance and ability in Psychiatry.

Social Medicine: Cecil G. Sheps Award in Social Medicine was established in 1987 in honor of Dr. Sheps, former Distinguished Professor Emeritus of the UNC Department of Social Medicine, and recognizes a fourth-year medical student selected by the Department of Social Medicine who demonstrates academic excellence and practical commitment to the principles of Social Medicine.

Surgery: George F. Sheldon, M.D. Award is named for George F. Sheldon, M.D., Professor of Surgery and Chair of the UNC Department of Surgery from 1984-2001 and was established to honor a member of the graduating class who demonstrated excellence in surgery.

2021 STUDENT AWARDS FOR HUMANISM IN MEDICINE

Brett J. Pearce and Lauren K. Brown Memorial Award: Brett and Lauren were treasured classmates through whose strength of character and courage in the face of illness inspired those who knew them to be better people and better doctors. The Class of 2004 created this award to honor a senior medical student who shares their qualities of generosity, compassion, dedication to service, and unwavering commitment to high ideals. Selected by classmates, these seniors have made a significant contribution to the education and personal growth of their peers.

Gilbert J. Cuthbertson, M.D. & Megan C. Danton, M.D. Memorial Award: The Class of 1983 established this award to honor two physicians, husband and wife, who died in a plane crash in 1988. Graduating students nominate classmates who exhibit the personal qualities of these two doctors, including caring for others, an ability to make people smile, joy in living, and a quiet compassion for all humankind.

Gold Humanism Honor Society: Made possible by a grant from the Arnold P. Gold Foundation, this honors medical students for demonstrated excellence in clinical care, leadership, compassion, and dedication to service.

Heusner Pupil Awards: Established in 1964 by the family and colleagues of Dr. A. Price Heusner, Professor of Surgery at NC Memorial Hospital (1952-1956) and Professor of Anatomy at the UNC School of Medicine (1956-1963), this award provides a scholarship for members of the fourth year class who best exemplify qualities displayed by Dr. Heusner during his career as a physician, teacher, husband, and father: a capacity to grasp the principles of science, to demonstrate concern for the moral welfare of human beings, to heal the sick, to comfort the troubled, and to be humble. The recipient is honored for meritorious character and potential and is selected by a committee that includes members of the medical school faculty and class.

James A. Bryan II Award: This award created by the Class of 1999 is a tribute to Dr. James A. Bryan II who, during more than three decades of service to UNC/SOM, taught, mentored and befriended countless students, instilling in them an unwavering commitment to compassionate patient care. These students improve our medical school community and the educational experience of their peers.

Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award presented by The Arnold P. Gold Foundation: The Arnold P. Gold Foundation enables this award to be presented to one senior who integrates humanism into delivery of care to patients and their families, and who consistently demonstrates compassion and empathy, shows respect for all, demonstrates cultural sensitivity, displays effective listening/communication skills, adheres to professional ethical standards, understands patients' need for interpretation of complex medical diagnoses while showing respect for patients' viewpoints, pays attention to patients' psychological well-being, engenders trust and confidence, and remains personally committed to self-evaluation. The recipient has helped others and accepted help from others when necessary, engaged in volunteer activities showing concern for the welfare of the community, and sought and accepted criticism for improvement of his or her performance. Students are nominated by faculty and classmates.

Patricia S. White Distinguished Public Service in Medicine Award: In the footsteps of Dr. White's exemplary leadership of the Charlotte Longitudinal Curriculum Program, and her leadership of the NC Schweitzer Fellows Program, a medical student at the Charlotte Campus of the UNC SOM is honored for his or her compassion, care for underserved patients, and selfless humanism through volunteerism, leadership, and service to the community.

William deB. MacNider Award: Created by the sophomore Class of 1950, this award is given to sophomore student(s) who possess intangible traits, as did Dr. MacNider, of good character including personal integrity, a sincere and genuine interest in the lives of others, a willingness to help at all times, humility, a cheerful attitude, and friendliness to all.

William Hersey Davis Scholarship: In remembrance of a remarkable physician, daughter and son-in-law Pamela and George Leight, M.D. established this award to honor 50 years of Dr. Davis' teaching, research, and practice in North Carolina, and awards it annually to a fourth-year medical student who exhibits the qualities of compassion, high moral standards, and ethical values, and who plans to specialize in pediatrics.

**2021 STUDENT AWARDS FOR LEADERSHIP
AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

Christopher C. Fordham III Student Award: This award was established in honor of Dr. Fordham for his outstanding and creative leadership in medical and higher education, as former dean of the medical school, vice chancellor for Health Affairs, and a chancellor of the University. This award recognizes graduating students for outstanding and creative leadership at the medical school. Nominations are solicited from faculty, members of the senior class, and senior class advisors.

James Bell Bullitt Award: Given for the first time in 1962, this award honors Dr. Bullitt, formerly a professor of Pathology, who was a member of the faculty of the School of Medicine from 1913 to 1947. Consistent with Dr. Bullitt's contributions to the School of Medicine, this award provides an opportunity for recognizing unusual achievements or contributions to the medical school community by a member of the senior class who is nominated by his or her classmates.

2021 STUDENT AWARDS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

Frank Lee Dameron Award: Established by the Class of 1975, this award is in memory of their classmate and recognizes his achievement as a medical student and commitment to return to his home town in a medically underserved area of the state. Recipients commit to practice primary care in an underserved area of NC.

J. Rush Shull, M.D. Scholarship: This award is given to a graduating senior who has demonstrated a commitment to community service and will be entering a primary care residency program in North Carolina.

June C. Allcott Fellowship: This award is given annually to a medical student based on his or her sustained excellence and commitment to community service.

Social Justice Service Fellowship: This is an annual award to support medical students interested in social justice service projects or learning opportunities to explore social determinants of health. The award is intended to encourage medical students early in their careers to make time to learn about a different culture and explore social determinants of health. This community experience could take place as close as a few miles from our hospitals and universities, or in some of the poorest corners of North Carolina.

United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Award: This award was created by the United States Public Health Service (USPHS) to inspire medical students to commit themselves to public health and to become leaders in the field.

White Coats Black Doctors Excellence Scholarship: Created by the White Coats Black Doctors Foundation established in 2015 by UNC/SOM students, this scholarship is awarded annually to an outstanding fourth-year student whose academic and extracurricular activities have clearly demonstrated an interest in and commitment to mentorship of underrepresented students, service to underserved patients, improvement in or reduction of health disparities, and/or promotion of unbiased, culturally-sensitive patient-centered care, in line with the missions of both the WCBD Foundation and the UNC School of Medicine.

Zollicoffer-Cross Community Health Fellowship: This fellowship is given to encourage students to learn about health issues of importance to minorities and underserved communities through a self-designed service project.

2021 STUDENT AWARDS FOR SCHOLARSHIP

Alan W. Cross Social Medicine Paper Award: This annual award is given to the best scholarly paper, essay, fictional, or artistic work by a student for a Social Medicine class assignment, recognizing excellent writing that epitomizes integration of clinical and social thinking, applies social science and humanities perspectives to medicine, and represents creative efforts to convey experiences of patients, physicians and others related to health, illness or treatment.

Deborah C. Leary Award: Established in 1958, this award honors Deborah Cushing Leary, M.D., Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the UNC School of Medicine from 1952 to 1957, and is presented to a fourth-year student whose research paper is judged by a faculty committee to be the best paper submitted.

Earl D. Short, Jr., M.D. Outstanding Medical Student Prize: Given to the Charlotte medical student with an outstanding overall performance during the third-year psychiatry clerkship. It was established in honor of Dr. Short, who came to Mecklenburg Mental Health in Charlotte in 1980. After a distinguished career as an Army psychiatrist, Dr. Short retired as a colonel. He worked on every service and in every capacity, and died en route to a shift at the men's shelter on September 10, 2001.

F.I.R.S.T Scholars: Established in 2015, FIRST students complete a three-year medical school curriculum to fast-track into a UNC Family Medicine Residency, followed by three years of service in North Carolina with ongoing support in practice.

Glasgow-Rubin Commendation for Academic Achievement: These awards are presented by the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) to recognize women graduates who have excelled academically.

Harold C. Pillsbury Student Research Awards: These awards for excellence in research are made possible by a generous gift from Dr. Pillsbury, former Chair of the UNC Department of Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery.

Howard Holderness Distinguished Medical Scholars: This annual award is given to five students with the goal of producing thoughtful clinicians and researchers capable of in-depth, critical, independent analysis of contemporary medical literature, and provides them the opportunity to pursue an independent project with a faculty mentor.

Kenan Primary Care Medical Scholars: This program is made possible by the William R. Kenan, Jr. Charitable Trust. The four-year award is given to medical students who possess a sincere commitment to return to North Carolina and practice in a rural or urban underserved area.

Lucius Blanchard Carolina Family Loyalty Fund Scholars: This award is given annually to four first-year medical students who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement, strong curiosity, leadership qualities, and commitment to service.

Medical Alumni Loyalty Fund Scholars: Students are awarded these scholarships on the basis of their commitment to the medical school, service to others, altruism, integrity, and leadership.

Michiko Kuno Research Award: Established by friends of Michiko Kuno, wife of former UNC Professor of Physiology and distinguished neuroscientist Motoy Kuno, this award is given to one student annually in honor of Michiko's kindness, zest for life, vibrancy, and elegance.

NC Rural Promise Scholarships: This scholarship offers financial support for UNC School of Medicine students who plan to enter the fields of family medicine, pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics & gynecology, psychiatry or general surgery, and to commit to serving in one of North Carolina's many rural counties.

Pisacano Scholarship: The American Board of Family Practice established the Nicholas J. Pisacano, M.D. Memorial Foundation in 1991 (now the Pisacano Leadership Foundation) in tribute to its first founder and first Executive Director. Dr. Pisacano is recognized as one of the leaders in the effort to have Family Practice accepted as a major specialty, and was a strong advocate of the original precepts laid down by Hippocrates: that the welfare of the patient was utmost, and that physicians should be broadly educated. The Pisacano Leadership Foundation seeks to promote a level of excellence and dedication in students committed to a career in family medicine by providing scholarships for accomplished students and physicians in the field of family medicine.

Primary Care and Population Health Scholars: This longitudinal program for students interested in practicing cost-effective, high-quality primary care as part of a larger vision of improving the health of populations blends primary care and public health concepts, and helps students build skills in research, writing, and leadership.

Scott Neal Schwirck Fellowship: Established by his family in memory of Scott Neil Schwirck, Class of 1993, in honor of his enthusiasm for science and scholarship, this award recognizes students who demonstrate the qualities that Scott possessed: curiosity, intellectual vigor, enthusiasm for science and research, and a desire to help others.

2021 FACULTY AND HOUSE STAFF AWARDS

Henry C. Fordham Award: With this award, the senior class recognizes a member of the house staff for the qualities of patience, humility, and devotion to medicine.

Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Faculty Award presented by The Arthur P. Gold Foundation: The Arnold P. Gold Foundation makes it possible for the senior class to select a faculty member who consistently demonstrates compassion, empathy, respect, cultural sensitivity, effective communication and listening skills, and professional ethical standards in the delivery of care. The recipient understands a patient's need for interpretation of complex medical diagnosis while showing respect for a patient's viewpoint, pays attention to patients' psychological well-being, engenders trust and confidence, and remains personally committed to self-evaluation. In addition, the faculty recipient serves as a role model and mentor, is approachable and accessible to students, and exhibits enthusiasm in interactions with students.

Professor Award: The recipient of this award is a faculty member selected by the senior class who, by his or her willingness, understanding and ability, has contributed the most to our students' medical education.

Hark the Sound

Hark the sound of Tar Heel voices
Ringing clear and true.
Singing Carolina's praises.
Shouting N-C-U.
Hail to the brightest star of all
Clear its radiance shine
Carolina priceless gem,
Receive all praises thine.

'Neath the oaks the sons true hearted
Homage pay to thee
Time worn walls give back their echo
Hail to U.N.C.
Hail to the brightest star of all
Clear its radiance shine
Carolina priceless gem,
Receive all praises thine.

Though the storms of life assail us
Still our hearts beat true
Naught can break the friendships formed at
Dear old N.C.U.
Hail to the brightest star of all
Clear its radiance shine
Carolina priceless gem,
Receive all praises thine.

I'm a Tar Heel born
I'm a Tar Heel bred
and when I die
I'm a Tar Heel dead.
So it's Rah, Rah, Car'lina-lina
Rah, Rah, Car'lina-lina
Rah, Rah, Car'lina
Rah, Rah, Rah.