



The UNC School of Medicine  
Student Government

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# **Whitehead Lecture and Awards: A Virtual Celebration**

**Wednesday, August 4, 2021  
12 noon**

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## **UNC SOM Student Government**

The Student Government is the governing body for students of the UNC School of Medicine. Annually, medical students from all four years are elected as representatives of their classes, and serve in numerous roles responsible for a variety of activities within the School of Medicine.

### **2021-2022 Student Government Officers**

Student Body Co-Presidents: Amanda Antono, Joshua Ewy

Individualization Phase (MS4) Class Co-Presidents: Michael Batres, Lily Wilkinson

Individualization Phase (MS4) Chief Advocate: Mary Chandler Gwin

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# The Whitehead Lecture

Named in honor of Dr. Richard H. Whitehead, who served as Dean from 1890-1905, the Whitehead Lecture was established in 1947 to recognize the high standards and leadership of Dr. Whitehead, and has been an annual event since 1980.

## Past Whitehead Lecturers

- 1999: B. Anthony Lindsey, M.D.  
2000: J. Stephen Kizer, M.D.  
2001: David L. McIlwain, M.D.  
2002: Nicholas J. Shaheen, M.D., M.P.H.  
2003: Robert A. Bashford, M.D.  
2004: Pamela G. Vick, M.D.  
2005: Ronald A. Falk, M.D.  
2006: James P. Evans, M.D., Ph.D.  
2007: Edward T. Kernick, D.P.M.  
2008: Susan C. Hadler, M.D., M.S.  
2009: Arrel D. Toews, Ph.D.  
2010: Kurt Gilliland, Ph.D., M.S.  
2011: Alan Cross, M.D.  
2012: Sarah Street, Ph.D.  
2013: Elizabeth B. Dreesen, M.D., F.A.C.S.  
2014: Cheryl McNeil, M.D.  
2015: Alice D. Ma, M.D., F.A.C.P.  
2016: Frank C. Church, Ph.D., M.S.  
2017: Brian C. Jensen, M.D.  
2018: Cedric Bright, M.D., F.A.C.P.  
2019: Neva Howard, M.D., M.S.  
2020: Koyal Jain, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.S.N.

**2021 Richard H. Whitehead Lecturer**

***Tenacity and Turbulence:  
Thoughts from a Winding Path***



**Ana Felix, M.B.B.Ch., F.A.A.N.**

**Assistant Professor, Division of General Medicine and Clinical Epidemiology**

**Dr. Felix was nominated and chosen by the SOM student body.**

**She will be presented with a certificate in recognition of her distinguished contributions to the science and art of medicine.**

**The Hyman L. Battle Distinguished Excellence  
in Teaching Award in the Clinical Sciences**

This award was established in 1985 to recognize exceptional teaching in the clinical curriculum. Faculty members were nominated, and the recipient was selected, by the Class of 2020.

**Christopher Klipstein, M.D.  
Professor, Division of General Medicine and Clinical Epidemiology  
Department of Medicine  
Co-Director, Medicine Block/HISC Course**

**The Best Application Phase Course Award**

This award was established in 1985 by the third-year class to recognize the clinical courses that most significantly contributed to the education of third-year medical students.

**Hospital, Interventional, and Surgical Care  
Kathleen Barnhouse, M.D., Family Medicine  
Christopher Klipstein, M.D., Internal Medicine  
Luigi Pascarella, M.D., F.A.C.S., Surgery**

**The Outstanding AHEC Faculty Awards**

These awards were established in 1992 to recognize the AHEC faculty members who have contributed significantly to the education of medical students at the Area Health Education Centers.

**Ethics Course Co-Directors:  
Katherine Meacham, Ph.D.  
Ira Sloan, M.D.  
Mountain Area Health Education Center, Asheville, NC**

### **The George T. Wolff Award**

This award was established in 1999 to honor the dedication to quality, community-based medical education demonstrated by George T. Wolff, M.D., former Director of the Family Practice Residency Program at Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital in Greensboro. Third- and fourth-year students vote on this award from a list of eligible faculty members provided by the Department of Family Medicine.

**Yee Lam, M.D., Ph.D., Assistant Professor  
Department of Family Medicine**

### **Kaiser Permanente Excellence in Teaching Awards**

These awards were created by the Class of 2000 to recognize those residents and interns who contribute in an exemplary way to the education of medical students with their enthusiasm for teaching, including students in patient care decisions, and promoting involvement of students on the medical team.

<b>Department</b>	<b>Resident</b>	<b>Intern</b>
<b>Family Medicine</b>	<b>Dr. Victoria Boggiano</b>	<b>Dr. Bailey Minish</b>
<b>Internal Medicine</b>	<b>Dr. Edwin Lu</b>	<b>Dr. John Barber Dr. De-Vaughn Williams</b>
<b>Neurology</b>	<b>Dr. Laura Xavier</b>	
<b>Ob/Gyn</b>	<b>Dr. Anna Fleischman</b>	<b>Dr. Ana Kouri</b>
<b>Pediatrics</b>	<b>Dr. Chris Iskander</b>	<b>Dr. Will Parker</b>
<b>Psychiatry</b>	<b>Dr. Andrea McMahon</b>	<b>Dr. Nina Burruss</b>
<b>Surgery</b>	<b>Dr. Colby Ruiz</b>	<b>Dr. Julia Button</b>

### **The Hyman L. Battle Distinguished Excellence in Teaching Award in the Foundation Phase**

This award was established in 1985 to recognize exemplary teaching in the pre-clinical curriculum. Faculty members are nominated, and the recipient is selected, by last year's second-year medical students.

**Koyal Jain, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.S.N.  
Assistant Professor of Medicine, Division of Nephrology and Hypertension  
Director, Nephrology and Hypertension Training Program  
Director of Undergraduate Medical Education, Department of Medicine**

### **The Foundation Phase Outstanding Director Teaching Award**

This award recognizes a faculty member from the Foundation Phase curriculum who has enhanced the education of second-year medical students by fostering a collegial environment that supports and encourages excellence.

**Koyal Jain, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.S.N.**  
**Assistant Professor of Medicine, Division of Nephrology and Hypertension**  
**Director, Nephrology and Hypertension Training Program**  
**Director of Undergraduate Medical Education, Department of Medicine**

### **The Best Foundation Phase Block Award**

This award recognizes a block from the Foundation Phase curriculum that contributed in an effective manner to the education of second-year medical students.

**Renal Block**  
**Koyal Jain, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.S.N.**  
**Emily Moorefield, Ph.D.**

### **The Foundation Phase Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award**

This award recognizes a faculty member from the Foundation Phase curriculum who contributed significantly to the education of Foundation Phase students through their energy, dedication, and extraordinarily excellent teaching.

**T. Danielle Samulski, M.D., Assistant Professor**  
**Department of Pathology and Lab Medicine**

### **The Best Foundation Phase Coil Award**

This award recognizes a coil from this curriculum that contributed in an effective manner to the education of second-year medical students.

**Pharmacology**  
**James Fiordalisi, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacology**  
**Pharmacology Coil Director**  
**Course Director, Adams School of Dentistry**  
**Course Director, Physician Assistant Program**

### **Craver Medical Student Teaching Awards**

Joseph M. Craver, M.D. '67, a retired Thoracic Surgeon in Atlanta, GA, gifted the Craver Medical Student Teaching Awards in recognition of the beloved clinical teachers who challenged him along his UNC medical education journey.

These awards are presented annually to two faculty members from the Departments of Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, and Surgery, who are acknowledged by both their peers and students for their outstanding teaching, and for their ability to inspire and change the lives of their medical students.

Craver Medical Student Teaching Award selection is made twice a year, in consultation with the Vice Dean of Education, the Department Chairs, Academy of Educators, and Medical Alumni Affairs.

**Kristy M. Borawski, M.D., Associate Professor of Urology  
UNC Department of Urology**

**Stephanie M. Downs-Canner, M.D., Assistant Professor  
Division of Surgical Oncology, UNC Department of Surgery**

### **White Coat Black Doctors Excellence Award**

The White Coat Black Doctors Excellence Award was created by the White Coats Black Doctors Foundation, founded in 2015 by UNC School of Medicine alumni and students: Celeste Brown, M.D. '18, Spencer Carter, M.D. '18, Kevin Courts, M.D. '18, Anthony McClenny, M.D. '19, and Jenay Powell, M.D. '21.

The Foundation seeks to celebrate, unite, and uplift Black medical students and physicians, and to support the development of future Black physicians. The awards are presented this year to two outstanding rising fourth-year students who have demonstrated an interest in and commitment to mentorship of underrepresented students; service to underserved patients; reduction of health disparities; and/or promotion of unbiased, culturally-sensitive, patient-centered care. Eligible students are invited to apply, and a School of Medicine selection committee identifies each year's recipients.

**Brandon Feaster  
Crystal Johnson**



### **The Brett J. Pearce and Lauren K. Brown Memorial Award**

Brett and Lauren were treasured classmates who, through their strength of character and courage in the face of illness, have inspired those who had the privilege of knowing them to be better people and better doctors. In their memory, this award was created by the Class of 2004 to honor a senior medical student who shares their qualities of generosity and compassion for those in need, dedication to service, and unwavering commitment to high ideals. This senior, nominated and chosen by classmates, has made a significant contribution to the education and personal growth of her peers.

**Grace Osagie**

### **Heusner Pupil Award**

The Heusner Pupil Award was established in 1964 by the family and colleagues of Dr. A. Price Heusner, who served as Professor of Surgery at North Carolina Memorial Hospital (1952-1956) and as Professor of Anatomy at the School of Medicine (1956-1963). It is provided to a member of the fourth-year class who best exemplifies 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.

**Geoffrey Orme-Evans**

### **The Frank Lee Dameron Award**

The Class of 1975 established the Dameron Award in memory of their classmate to recognize his achievements as a medical student and his commitment to return to his hometown in a medically underserved area of the state to practice medicine. The recipients are committed to practicing primary care in an underserved area of North Carolina.

**Jiyun Chang  
Caleb Smith**

### **Pamela A. Oliver, MD '01 Scholarship Award**

This award, created by two students in the class of 2023, is in honor of Pamela A. Oliver, M.D. '01, a UNC School of Medicine alumna dedicated to enriching medicine through diversity, mentorship, quality patient care, service, and scholarship. A one-time \$1000 scholarship will be awarded to two first-year medical students who demonstrate a commitment to advocacy, service, and the diversity of medicine.

**Mitchell Williams  
Rayad Shams**

### **The James A. Bryan II Award**

This award is a tribute to Dr. James Bryan II who, during more than three decades of service to the UNC SOM, taught, mentored, and befriended countless medical students, and instilled in them an unwavering commitment to compassionate patient care. Created by the Class of 1999, the award honors a graduating student who embodies the spirit of Dr. Bryan by improving the medical school community, and bettering the educational experience of fellow medical students.

**Amir Jabr**

### **The William deB. MacNider Award**

This award was established in 1950 by the sophomore class and promotes public commendation of two second-year medical students who possess various intangible traits of good character, including personal integrity, a sincere and genuine interest in the lives of others, a willingness to help others at all times, humility, a cheerful attitude, and friendliness to all, as shown by Dr. Billy MacNider.

**Joline Hartheimer  
Lauren Sibley**

### **Lucius Blanchard Carolina Family Loyalty Fund**

This scholarship is awarded annually to first-year medical students who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement, strong curiosity, leadership qualities, commitment to service and, in some cases, financial need.

**Austin Thomas Coale  
Victoria Isabella Fonseca  
Jason Lee  
Samuel Louis Tate, III**

### **Alan W. Cross Social Medicine Paper Award Department of Social Medicine**

The Alan W. Cross Social Medicine Paper Award is given each year to the best scholarly paper, essay, fictional or artistic work produced by a student for a Social Medicine class assignment. The award recognizes excellent writing that epitomizes integration of social and clinical 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.

**Cambray Smith**