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UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA MEDICAL CENTER
MAY 2024

International Pledge for Nurses

In full knowledge of the obligations I am undertaking, I promise to care for the sick with all the skill and understanding I possess, without regard to race, creed, color, politics or social status, sparing no effort to conserve life, to alleviate suffering and to promote health.

I will respect at all times the dignity and religious beliefs of the patients under my care, holding in confidence all personal information entrusted to me, and refrain from any action which might endanger life or health.

I will endeavor to keep my professional knowledge and skill at the highest level and to give loyal support and cooperation to all members of the health team.

I will do my utmost to honor the international code of ethics applied to nursing and to uphold the integrity of the professional nurse.

The Dental Hygienist's Pledge

In recognition of the honor of entering the dental profession and with respect for the significance of the dental hygiene degree which will be conferred upon me, I hereby pledge the following:

I will diligently uphold the dignity, honor and objectives of the dental profession and, to the best of my ability, will contribute to the profession's advancement.

I will solemnly accept my responsibilities to the patient, to give the best of my knowledge and skill, and to maintain an impeccable relationship that will warrant trust and confidence.

I will faithfully observe the Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct set forth by the profession.

I will lend my influence and support to dental education, to organized dental hygiene and to all aspects of the profession.

These promises I make freely and without hesitation.

Oath of a Pharmacist

At this time, I vow to devote my professional life to the service of all humankind through the profession of pharmacy.

I will consider the welfare of humanity and relief of human suffering my primary concerns.

I will apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal drug therapy outcomes for the patients I serve.

I will keep abreast of developments and maintain professional competency in my profession of pharmacy.

I will maintain the highest principles of moral, ethical, and legal conduct.

I will embrace and advocate change in the profession of pharmacy that improves patient care.

I take these vows voluntarily with the full realization of the responsibility with which I am entrusted by the public.

The Dentist's Pledge

In recognition of the honor of entering the dental profession and with respect for the significance of the dental degree which will be conferred upon me, I hereby pledge the following:

I will diligently uphold the dignity, honor and objectives of the dental profession and, to the best of my ability, will contribute to the profession's advancement.

I will solemnly accept my responsibilities to the patient, to give the best of my knowledge and skill, and to maintain an impeccable relationship that will warrant trust and confidence.

I will faithfully observe the Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct set forth by the profession.

I will lend my influence and support to dental education, to organized dentistry and to all aspects of the profession.

These promises I make freely and without hesitation.

Explanation of Physician's Pledge

The Declaration of Geneva was promulgated by the World Medical Association (WMA) in 1948. It has roots in the great moral traditions that go back to ancient Greek Hippocratic medicine. It also seriously reflects the times in which it was written. That was immediately after World War II when the crimes of men against humanity were being revealed through such things at the Nuremberg Trial. The current version was amended by the 68th WMA General Assembly in 2017.

The Physician's Pledge

(World Medical Association Declaration of Geneva)

AS A MEMBER OF THE MEDICAL PROFESSION:

I SOLEMNLY PLEDGE to dedicate my life to the service of humanity;

THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF MY PATIENT will be my first consideration;

I WILL RESPECT the autonomy and dignity of my patient;

I WILL MAINTAIN the utmost respect for human life;

I WILL NOT PERMIT considerations of age, disease or disability, creed, ethnic origin, gender, nationality, political affiliation, race, sexual orientation, social standing or any other factor to intervene between my duty and my patient;

I WILL RESPECT the secrets that are confided in me, even after the patient has died;

I WILL PRACTICE my profession with conscience and dignity and in accordance with good medical practice; I WILL FOSTER the honor and noble traditions of the medical profession;

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

I WILL SHARE my medical knowledge for the benefit of the patient and the advancement of healthcare;

I WILL ATTEND TO my own health, well-being, and abilities in order to provide care of the highest standard; I WILL NOT USE my medical knowledge to violate human rights and civil liberties, even under threat;

I MAKE THESE PROMISES solemnly, freely and upon my honor.

Graduate Student Oath

I faithfully pledge to uphold my professional integrity by maintaining the highest standard of ethics and quality in my pursuit of academic and professional excellence.

I will uphold an unwavering commitment to report and interpret my research or professional findings with steadfast honesty and clarity.

I pledge to share openly and generously, my discoveries, obstacles and triumphs. I will work to improve our world through communication with peers and teaching students of all ages.

I will strive to be continually conscious of the responsibility that accompanies the endowment of

my degree.

It is with tremendous pride and enthusiasm that I seal my commitment to advance humanity through extraordinary biomedical research, teaching or provision of service.

Pledge for Allied Health Professionals

I pledge and commit myself to the ethical, responsible and diligent practice of my profession. I will respect and uphold the laws that govern my profession and adhere to its ethical principals.

I pledge, faithfully, to honor the inherent diginity of all, to treat those who depend on my help with respect, consideration and appreciation for our diversities.

I pledge to protect the rights and confidentiality of those who seek my help and to act only for their benefit.

I pledge continually to strive to learn, to further my professional competence and to share my knowledge with those who seek it.

I pledge to alwayse serve to the best of my ability, to conduct myself with dignity and to place service to humankind before personal or material gain.

With honor and pride, I commit myself to my profession.

ORDER OF EXERCISE May 2, 2024 Lincoln, Nebraska

PROCESSIONAL:	Pomp and Circumstance(The audience	will stand during the Processional)	l Elgar
THE NATIONAL A	ANTHEM		
REGENT'S WELC	OME		
CONFERRAL OF I	DEGREES	JEFFREY P. GOL	D, MD icellor
PRESENTATION (OF DIPLOMAS	BY THE C)EANS
		LEPAINE SHARP-McHENRY, DNP, RN, FAC Dean, College of Nu	ursing
		GERARD KUGEL, DMD, MS Dean, College of Der	ntistry
GRADUAT	E COLLEGE	H. DELE DAVIES, MD, MS, N Dean, Graduate C	
CLOSING REMAR	KS	JEFFREY P. GOL Chan	D, MD icellor
RECESSIONAL	(The audience will	remain standing during the Recessional)	

ORDER OF EXERCISE May 2, 2024 Norfolk, Nebraska

PROCESSIONAL:	Pomp and Circumstance(The audience will stand during	Edward Elgar the Processional)
THE NATIONAL A	ANTHEM	
REGENT'S WELC	OME	
AWARDS:		
Sigma The	eta Tau	CATHY TIERNEY, EdD Assistant Professor, College of Nursing
Irma Kyle I	Kramer	ANGELA JOHNSON, EdD Assistant Dean, College of Nursing
Nebraska A	Area Health Education Center Scholars Program	ANGELA JOHNSON, EdD Assistant Dean, College of Nursing
School Hea	alth Nurse Scholars Program	LISA WALTERS, MSN Assistant Professor, College of Nursing
CONFERRAL OF D	DEGREES	JEFFREY P. GOLD, MD Chancellor
PRESENTATION (OF DIPLOMAS	LEPAINE SHARP-McHENRY, DNP, RN, FACDONA Dean, College of Nursing
CLOSING REMAR	2KS	JEFFREY P. GOLD, MD Chancellor
RECESSIONAL	(The audience will stand during	the Recessional)

ORDER OF EXERCISE May 2, 2024 Kearney, Nebraska

Jeffrey P. Gold, MD, Chancellor, Presiding

PROCESSIONAL: Pomp and Circumstance(The audience will stand during the Processional)	Edward Elgar
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM	
INVOCATION**	FALLON PAULOMI ELISE SWITZER College of Nursing
REGENT'S WELCOME	
AWARDS:	
Sigma Theta Tau	KAMI LOEFFELHOLZ, MSN Instructor, College of Nursing
School Health Nurse Scholars Program	KAMI LOEFFELHOLZ, MSN Instructor, College of Nursing
Irma Kyle Kramer	Instructor, College of Nursing
National Student Nurses AssociationAssis	DOUGLASS HAAS, DNP stant Professor, College of Nursing
School Nurse Scholars Program	KAMI LOEFFELHOLZ, MSN Instructor, College of Nursing
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES	JEFFREY P. GOLD, MD Chancellor
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMASLEPAINE SHAP	RP-McHENRY, DNP, RN, FACDONA Dean, College of Nursing
CLOSING REMARKS	JEFFREY P. GOLD, MD Chancellor
BENEDICTION**	ANDREA KAYLEE SAXER College of Nursing
(The audience will stand)	Conlege of Nursing
RECESSIONAL (The audience will remain standing during the Recession	onal)

Graduates do not appear on stage until the "Presentation of Diplomas." $\,$

^{**}Student Initiated

ORDER OF EXERCISE May 4, 2024 Omaha, Nebraska

PROCESSIONAL: Pomp and CircumstanceEdward Elgar (The audience will stand during the Processional)		
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM		
INVOCATION**	TYLOR JOSEPH KING College of Medicine	
REGENT'S WELCOME		
HONORARY DOCTORATE OF SCIENCE	H. DELE DAVIES, MD, MS, MHCM Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Dean for Graduate Studies	
J.G. ELLIOTT AWARDS	H. DELE DAVIES, MD, MS, MHCM Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Dean for Graduate Studies	
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES/CERTIFICATES	JEFFREY P. GOLD, MD Chancellor	
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES	BY THE DEANS	
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE/CERTIFICATES: College of Nursing Dean, College of Nursing	LEPAINE SHARP-McHENRY, DNP, RN, FACDONA	
College of Allied Health Professions	KYLE P. MEYER, PhD, MS, FASAHP Dean, College of Allied Health Professions	
MASTER DEGREES/CERTIFICATES: College of Nursing	LEPAINE SHARP-McHENRY, DNP, RN, FACDONA Dean, College of Nursing	
College of Allied Health Professions	KYLE P. MEYER, PhD, MS, FAFAHP Dean, College of Allied Health Professions	
College of Public Health	ALI S. KHAN, MD, MPH Dean, College of Public Health	
Graduate College	H. DELE DAVIES, MD, MS, MHCM Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Dean for Graduate Studies	

ORDER OF EXERCISE

Continued May 4, 2024 Omaha, Nebraska

DOCTORATE DEGREES: College of NursingLEPAINE SHARP-McHENRY, DNP, RN, FACDONA Dean, College of Nursing		
College of Allied Health ProfessionsKYLE P. MEYER, PhD, MS, FASAHP Dean, College of Allied Health Professions		
College of PharmacyKEITH M. OLSEN, PharmD Dean, College of Pharmacy		
College of MedicineBRADLEY E. BRITIGAN, MD Dean, College of Medicine		
College of Public Health		
Graduate College		
CLOSING REMARKS		
BENEDICTION**		
RECESSIONAL (The audience will remain standing during the Recessional)		

^{**}Student Initiated

ORDER OF EXERCISE May 4, 2024 Scottsbluff, Nebraska

PROCESSIONAL:	Pomp and Circumstance(The audience	will stand during the Processional)
THE NATIONAL A	ANTHEM	
AWARDS:		
Sigma	Theta Tau	WENDY WELLS, MSN Instructor, College of Nursing
Irma K	Kyle Kramer	Assistant Dean, College of Nursing
Nation	nal Student Nurses Association	MELISSA SNYDER, MSN Instructor, College of Nursing
CONFERRAL OF D	DEGREES*	JEFFREY P. GOLD, MD Chancellor
PRESENTATION (OF DIPLOMAS*	BY THE DEANS
COLLEGE	OF DENTISTRY	GERARD KUGEL, DMD, MS, PhD Dean, College of Dentistry
COLLEGE (OF NURSING	LEPAINE SHARP-McHENRY, DNP, RN, FACDONA Dean, College of Nursing
CLOSING REMAR	KS	JEFFREY P. GOLD, MD Chancellor
RECESSIONAL	(The audience will a	remain standing during the Recessional)

HONORARY DOCTORATE OF SCIENCE



Barry Gold, PhD

Receiving the Honorary Doctorate of Science for achievement in the advancement of science and service in the health sciences fields is a homecoming for this year's honoree, Barry Gold, PhD.

Dr. Gold is emeritus professor and former chair of pharmaceutical sciences at the University of Pittsburgh. He is former co-director of the University of Pittsburgh Drug Discovery Institute and was a member of the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute. There, and throughout his career, he used his training as a chemist to understand the mechanisms responsible for mutations found in cancers. He integrated medicinal chemistry, pharmacology, pharmacokinetics, and drug formulation and delivery to study:

- The design, synthesis and characterization of molecules that sequence-specifically bind to DNA in order to gene specifically regulate protein expression, probe transcriptional regulatory sequences, and generate novel anticancer drugs;
- The development of small molecule inhibitors of specific DNA repair pathways that are involved in tumor resistance to anticancer drugs; and
- The etiology of somatic mutations in tumor suppressor genes and oncogenes related to the development of cancer.

But he previously spent more than 30 years here, at the University of Nebraska Medical Center and its Eppley Institute for Research in Cancer and Allied Diseases and Eppley Cancer Center. At UNMC, Dr. Gold's leadership was indispensable, both as a mentor to his fellow faculty members, and as acting, and then interim, director of the Eppley Institute at a crucial time. This includes establishing the foundation for building a strong program in DNA repair and the discussions which led to the founding of the Cattlemen's Ball of Nebraska. In the decades since, the Cattlemen's Ball has raised millions for cancer research and deepened UNMC's outreach efforts to the rural communities of our state.

His efforts have had a lasting positive impact on UNMC and were critical to the success that both the Eppley Institute and now the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center share in today.

At Pittsburgh and UNMC, he was active in the training of undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate students. Dr. Gold actively worked to increase the number of underrepresented minorities in science.

Among other honors too numerous to mention, in 2008, he served as the chair for the 31st National Medicinal Chemistry Symposium that was held in Pittsburgh.

Dr. Gold did his undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate studies in organic chemistry at Hunter College of the City University of New York, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and the University of Toronto, respectively.

The University is proud to award the Honorary Doctorate of Science to Dr. Barry Gold. Welcome home.

J.G. (JACK) ELLIOTT AWARD



Kent Lacey, MD

Winning the J.G. Elliott Award is especially meaningful for one of this year's honorees, Kent Lacey, MD, who practiced family medicine in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, Jack Elliott's hometown, for 37 years. "Having known this remarkable yet humble family for years has been a true blessing," Dr. Lacey said.

The J.G. Elliott Award is given annually to an individual who has made significant contributions to medicine and health programs for the state of Nebraska.

Dr. Lacey, a UNMC alumnus, did so throughout a career in which he practiced family medicine in Lincoln, and as noted, for nearly four decades in Scottsbluff. He has been named UNMC Family Practice Alumni of the Year, Nebraska Academy of Family Practice Physician of the Year, UNMC Preceptor of the Year and Nebraska Medical Director of the Year. He served as medical director of the West Nebraska Veterans Home for 37 years and medical director of the Family Practice Medical Residency Program in Scottsbluff for seven years. He's served on UNMC's Rural Health Advisory Committee.

He's also served as president of the Nebraska chapter of American Heart Association and on the board of Nebraska Academy of Family Physicians.

Throughout his career, Dr. Lacey has been lauded for his mentorship of nursing and medical students and family medicine residents. And, for his caring manner.

In one especially memorable moment, Dr. Lacey made a reverse house call – while he had to stay home to watch his own kids, he invited a mother to bring her sick child to see him at his house. He recommended an ER visit for a spinal tap, which showed the young girl had meningitis.

He credits a supportive wife, family, coworkers, great office personnel, fabulous nurses and countless others for his success.

In his community, he's served as a Sunday School teacher, Deacon at his church, YMCA board of directors, and youth coach of various sports.

Originally from Ralston, Nebraska, Dr. Lacey is an alumnus of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the UNMC College of Medicine. He and his wife, Gayle, who is from St. Paul, Nebraska, have three children and six grandchildren.

Dr. Lacey said he is grateful the award recognizes family medicine, and accepts it on behalf of "the hundreds of family medicine doctors in Nebraska and the service they provide that is so vitally important to the health of all Nebraskans."

The J.G. Elliott Award is given in memory of Jack Elliott, who served on the University of Nebraska Board of Regents for 20 years until his death in 1974. The University is proud to present this award to Dr. Kent Lacey.

J.G. (JACK) ELLIOTT AWARD



Michael Sitorius, MD

Michael Sitorius, MD, one of this year's honorees of the J.G. Elliott Award, had a plan to stay in Omaha, at UNMC, for one year. He'd arrived at UNMC as a medical student in 1974 and matched as a resident three years later. In 1980, his residency complete, he expected to be in Omaha only until his wife, Marilyn, finished her radiology residency the following year. Then, he would follow his father's footsteps and become a rural general practitioner. Dr. Sitorius, a Cozad native, never did make it back to rural Nebraska to practice. But in a 42-year career at UNMC, he's arguably had as big an impact on rural health in the state of Nebraska as anyone in the last 40 years.

The J.G. Elliott Award is given annually to an individual who has made significant contributions to medicine and health programs for the state of Nebraska. During a career that saw him serve for nearly 30 years as the chair of the UNMC Department of Family Medicine, Dr. Sitorius oversaw or collaborated on initiatives such as:

- UNMC's Rural Health Opportunities Program (RHOP);
- The development of the college of medicine's rural training tracks; and
- Helping develop a curriculum that integrated primary, family medicine and internal medicine to train physicians with a broader base of skills to serve rural Nebraska.

Dr. Sitorius said he realized he could have more impact in training generations of students and residents than being a single rural physician himself. The UNMC Department of Family Medicine under Dr. Sitorius' leadership has had a role in training about 70% of Nebraska's practicing family physicians. He also played a key role in the creation of Nebraska Medicine and led the expansion of its primary care effort.

Under his leadership, federal funding for the Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Program, which helps UNMC cooperate with community health centers to recruit and train health care professionals to serve in rural and underserved areas, was secured. Most recently, Dr. Sitorius has served as co-chair of the UNMC Rural Health Advisory Committee.

Dr. Sitorius earned his bachelor's degree from Hastings College, where he played basketball. He played on a high school state championship team at Cozad. He and Marilyn have two sons, three daughters and two grandchildren.

The J.G. Elliott Award is given in memory of Jack Elliott, who served on the University of Nebraska Board of Regents for 20 years until his death in 1974. The University is proud to present this award to Dr. Michael Sitorius.

May 2, 2024 Lincoln

COLLEGE OF NURSING

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Teagan Mae Abbott, Hastings Distinction Emily Paige Alexander, Lincoln **Highest Distinction** Gabrielle Whitney Barker, Sioux Falls, SD Elisabeth Grace Bash, Lincoln Emily Grace Bay, Elkhorn Rose Cathryn Beran, Ord **Highest Distinction** Kate Isabelle Bergen, Henderson Distinction Jayda Ann Bernecker, Hartington Jillian Brynn Bierbower, Lincoln Chloe Brabant, Eldridge, IA **Highest Distinction** Skylar Destiny Brooks, Smithville, MO Maria Fernanda Cervantes, Columbus Brooklyn A. Christensen, Imperial Alexis Mary Corcoran, Woodbury, MN Isabella Rose Costanzo, Omaha Distinction Joanna Michelle De Rosa, Lincoln Kaelynn Marie Eisele, Omaha **Highest Distinction** Lauren Jane Emanuel, North Bend **Highest Distinction** Jersie Lane Frerichs, Juniata Erika Jeanette Freyhof, Hamilton, MI Kaitlyn Nicole Gamble, Grant Jenná Marie Goehring, Omaha **High Distinction** Hailey Elizabeth Gokie, Yankton, SD **High Distinction** Lilyana May Hanson, Tower, MN **High Distinction**

Dawn Michelle Harmon, Hobson, MT Amber Josephine Headley, Omaha Jenny Estafani Hernandez Ramirez, Grand Island Macy Lynne Holland, Filley Kyle Gregory Hughes, McKinney, TX Madison Isabel Juhl, Lincoln Hannah Louise Kassmeier, Beatrice **High Distinction** Hannah Kathol, Gretna Yadbir Kaur, Gering Distinction Lanae Nykole Kent, Omaha Riley James Kirby, David City Madison Jean Kirchoff, DeWitt Kassidy Ann Kisker, Trenton Kennedy Marie Klein, Forest City, IA Valerie Řenee Knott, Louisville Katelyn Rae Komenda, Dwight Kylee R. Lakers, Gretna Olivia McGrail Lane, Geneva, IL Distinction Taylor Marie Larchick, North Platte Lydia Mae Larson, Omaha Sidney Paige Leuthold, Norfolk Kenzie Addison Lewis, Kearney Claire Marie Lortz, Omaha Trinity Rose Lovings, Papillion **Highest Distinction** Reese Ellie Lowe, Norfolk **Highest Distinction** Mia Kathryn Lutt, Elkhorn Ava Elizabeth Marez, Gering Alaina C. Meers, Omaha Distinction Hannah L. Meier, Sammamish, WA Lily Mellby, Minnetonka, MN Julia Marie Miller, LaVista

Kaylee Renee Moore, Gretna **High Distinction** Samantha Casey Munn, Lincoln Madison Murcek, Omaha Distinction Jaiden Makenzie Niska, Chanhassen, MN Taytum Elizábeth Pearl, Lincoln Savannah Peddicord, Lake Quivira, KS Callie Lyn Petersen, Lincoln **Highest Distinction** Jennifer Leigh Pettygrove, Minnetonka, MN Abby Plank, Ómaha Kinley Rae Polzin, Olathe, KS **Highest Distinction** Brianna N. Price, Doniphan Alyssa Robyn Ramsey, North Platte Highest Distinction Emma Elise Reinke, Maple Grove, MN Rachel Caroline Ring, Savage, MN Chloe Jae Robinson, Waverly Greta Josephine Rosno, Lincoln Grace Marie Sall, Omaha Troy Ethan Scheer, Gretna **High Distinction** Claire Anne Shumard, Fairbury Bryan Thomas Stephens, Lincoln Jayna Stroh, Hastings Elizabeth Dawn Stych, Omaha Owen McCabe Sudbeck, Hartington Samantha Jo Taylor, Lincoln Madeline Ann Thompson, Papillion Ethan Gary VanEnkevort, Powers, MI Emma Leslie Wallin, Ridgway, CÓ **High Distinction** Hannah Kathryn Warren, Omaha Mackenzie Renae Watkins, Renner, SD

COLLEGE OF NURSING

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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Mopelola Kemi Bankole, *Lincoln* Ha Thi Ngan Cu, *Lincoln*

David Anthony Porto, *Lincoln* Rebecca Marie Reicks, *Hickman* Dustin Joseph Robinson, *Beatrice* Ashley A. Wooldrik, Shelton Brittany Wray, Lincoln

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Amy Berggren, *Polk* Nicole Renee Detweiler, *Milford* Alyssa Katherine Krings, *Lindsay* Ashley Rae Kubik, *Genoa* Alexa Danielle Longoria, *Gering* Janice Luethje, *Lincoln* Taylor Ann Nunnenkamp, *York* Dakota K. Sonderup, *Lincoln*

COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DENTAL HYGIENE

Wendy Barcenas-Soto,
South Sioux City
Taylor Lenae Beacom, Papillion
Emma Marie Betts, LaVista
High Distinction
Ellie Ruth Buresh, Lincoln
Allison Cuciti, Lincoln
Capri Ann Dethlefs, Rockville
High Distinction
Georgina Lynn Dishman,
Gothenburg

Madison Kay Frank, Lincoln Jennifer Garcia, Hooper Madisyn Faith Gardient, Grand Island Jamie Michelle Johnson, Hastings Mikayla Rachel Kiefel, Lincoln Samantha Jean Nielson, Lincoln Adanna Christie Paden, Hickman Julia Lynn Raun, Lincoln Sydney Elizabeth Samson, McCool Junction Emma Coleen Schock, Falls City Ella Mae Simonson, Brandon, SD Rebecca Barry Steffen, Lincoln Jayce Cassidy Vrbka, Shelby

DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY

Aleser P. Alahmad, Omaha Jessica J. Arland, Jackson, WY Emma Laurén Baller, Sioux City, IA Alex Owen Becker, Lincoln Bryce Thomas Byman, Omaha Distinction Nathan T. Carnarsky, Lincoln **High Distinction** Robert Dalton Cline, Wahoo Molly Cornelius, Cozad Hannah Lea Dickey, Grand Island Tia Rose DiGiovanni, Newport Beach, CA Ashley Victoria Dirksen, Clara City, MN Amanda Ř. Engelbart, Malcolm Distinction Sven Carleton Gartner, Park Ridge, IL Jaspreet Kaur Grewal, Lincoln Jace Andrew Hanisch, Humboldt, SD Nathaniel Heimann, Elkhorn Brittan Christopher Raphael Hoppens, Ogallala **High Distinction** Erika Jordan Houwman, Lincoln Tyler Ross Houwman, Mitchell, SD

Preston Dale Robert Hunt, Lingle, WY Katherine Elizabeth Ingram, Omaha Merina Joseph, Beaverton, OR Harinderjit Kaur, Lincoln Abby Shaye Kautzman, Fargo, ND Mahima Bhasin Kinra, Philadelphia, PA Landon Lee Koth, Sioux Falls, SD **High Distinction** Seth A. Larsen, Kearney Lauren Elizabeth Larson, Lincoln Yumi B. Liu, Omaha Jonathan S. Martino, Colorado Springs, CO Case J. McNally, Lincoln Sophia Elizabeth Pankratz, Hastings Sydney A. Parr, Hastings Samuel Michael Richard Reimer, McCook Distinction Tanner Marcus Resseguie, Lincoln Samantha Michelle Rose, Firth Katherine R. Sandefur, Central City Distinction

Richard A. Sandefur, Rose Hill, KS Brent M. Schulte, Watertown, SD Distinction Kylie Sue Sestak, St. Paul Distinction Kylie E. Sims, Lincoln Madison Taylor Sox, Jacksonville Beach, FL Katie L. Spencer, Omaha Distinction Wade J. Starkey, Mantorville, MN Highest Distinction Anne Steffen, Flandreau, SD Marwa Taguri, United Arab Emirates Tessa Marie Tecklenburg, Harrisburg, SD Parker R. Walton, Riverton, WY Kathryn A. Whittaker, Papillion Hope Elizabeth Wilke-Jeffrey, North Platte Elias J. Witte, Omaha **High Distinction** Alexis S. Wolfe, Lincoln Distinction Alexander S. Woods, Sioux Falls, SD Wendy Zhao, New York, NY

Distinction

GRADUATE COLLEGE

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Joyce Ab-Ye Lee, *Charleston*, *AR*, BS, 2016, University of Arkansas; DDS, 2021, University of Tennessee - Medical Sciences

Paula Christina Cohen Schlemmer, *San Antonio*, TX, BS, 2013, DDM, 2017, University of Florida - Medical Sciences

CERTIFICATE OF SPECIALIZATION*

ADVANCED EDUCATION IN GENERAL DENTISTRY

Maureen Bigsby, DMD Eileen K. Shannon, DDS

ENDODONTICS

Alexander Lopez, DDS Kelsey Wenger, DDS

GENERAL PRACTICE RESIDENCY

Austin Davies, DDS Jessica Kristina Murphree, DMD Sunandhaa Narasimhan, DMD

Grant Kenneth Neil, DMD, MS Elvin G. Tolentino, DDS

PEDIATRICS

Tracy A. Hegeholz, DDS

Bailey Neville, DDS Alexis Sandman, DDS

Emily Elizabeth Starman, DDS

PERIODONTICS

Joyce Ab-Ye Lee, DDS Paula Christina Cohen Schlemmer, DMD

^{*} Completion date - June 30, 2024

May 2, 2024 Norfolk

COLLEGE OF NURSING

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Reyna Maribel Aguirre-Vasquez,
Columbus
Madeleine Jane Anderson,
Columbus
Highest Distinction
Kyra Sophia Baptiste, Topeka, KS
High Distinction
Taylor Rose Bolling, Clearwater
Natalie Caroline Brennan,
Bennington
Briana R. Drueppel, Columbus
High Distinction
MaKenzie Kay Enderlin, Columbus
Distinction
Rose Ann-Marie Graham, Pierce

Cali Skye Gregory, Omaha
High Distinction
Ashley Alexis Hernandez, Schuyler
Quintessence Indra, Clarkson
Gunnar Jorgensen, Wayne
Megdalin Rose Keller, Ponca
Aracili C. Latham, Wayne
Madelyn Leigh Lingenfelter,
Norfolk
Mackenzie Breanne McFarland,
Crofton
Samuel I. Morales, Lincoln
Saige Nicole Nelson, Battle Creek
Crystal Ann Norris, Madras, OR

Abigail Danielle Rafert, Plainview
Laura Helen Redler, Bellwood
Distinction
Mallory Rhembrandt, Chadron
Anna Josephine Rocheford, Schuyler
High Distinction
Melanie Ann Rosso, Lincoln
Sophia Lynne Sanzobrin, Camas, WA
Kylee Ann Solberg, Omaha
Grant Stone, Roca
Edyn Elizabeth Sudbeck, Wynot
Claire E. Thelen, Columbus
Madysen Grace Wilderman,
Bend, OR

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Kassidy Horst, Wisner

May 2, 2024 Kearney

COLLEGE OF NURSING

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Baylee Kimbarly Alstrom, Holdrege Alexis May Anderson, Doniphan Abigail Dawn Andrews, Holbrook Distinction Lauren Bader, Arvada, CO Kinsley Lauren Ballentine, North Platte Jordyn Lynn Barbee, Hastings Distinction Karissa Nicole Benavides, Bridgeport Michelle Marie Bentley, Scottsbluff Kahle A. Bergstrom, North Platte Erica Jae Bertrand, Funk **Highest Distinction** Estrella Maria Bustillos, Grand Island Tate H. Combs, Fairfax, MO Emily Rose Hahn, Omaha Karsen Marie Haussermann, Bloomington Distinction

Caitlin Elizabeth Havelka, Anselmo Haley Nicole Hibberd, Kearney Hameed Hosseini, Kearney Peyton Hannah King, Doniphan Sydney Rose Kinnett, Utica Faith Catherine Kinney, Elgin **High Distinction** Molly Jevel Koehler, Cambridge Angeline Marie, Curtis **Academic Excellence** Morgan Victoria McKinsey, Lincoln Molly Rose Mehaffey, Kearney Allison Nicole Miller, Lawrence **High Distinction** Morgan Elizabeth Miller, Minden **High Distinction** McKenna Nykole Morris, Clarks Daniela Ivana Ortega, Lexington Kaitlyn Elizabeth Otto, Firth **High Distinction** Josie SheaAnn Oxford, Loup City Makenzie Page Thiessen, Lincoln

Halle Peters, Henderson Brigitte Lee Rehtus, Kearney Rianne Elizabeth Rodriguez, **Grand Island** Andrea Kaylee Saxer, York Hope Renee Schanaman, Scottsbluff Brian Ingvar Seaberg, Omaha Ethan Lloyd Sherbeck, Clay Center Robert Paul Siegmann III, North Platte Tara Jo Storm, Kearney Kari A. Struebing, Kearney Distinction Skyler Brooke Sudbeck, North Platte Fallon Paulomi Elise Switzer, Frisco, TX Emily Jo Theis, Osceola Ethan Ray Uhlir, St. Paul Esmeralda Valdivia, Kearney Sierra Rose Mary Voglewede, **Grand Island** Distinction

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Chloe Rae Pentico, Ft. Collins, CO

Kaitlyn May Carlson, Minden

Melissa Sue Wesely Hinrichs, Glenvil Sadie Sheree Martin, Bassett

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Bailey Nicole Coslor, St. Paul Jenscena Rose Hansen, Deshler Mackenzie Marie Koch, Holdrege

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- Corrine Frances Monaco, Selden, NY, BS, 2018, State University of New York at Oswego Interdisciplinary Graduate Program in Biomedical Sciences
- Mohammad Ullah Nayan, Bangladesh, Bach, 2017, University of Dhaka (Bangladesh) Interdisplinary Graduate Program in Biomedical Sciences
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- Kabita Pandey, Nepal, DVM, 2014, Tribhuvan University (Nepal); MS, 2018, South Dakota State University -Interdisciplinary Graduate Program in Biomedical Sciences
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- Ryan McGuire Singh, Colts Neck, NJ, BS, 2017, University of Chicago (IL); Interdisciplinary Graduate Program in Biomedical Sciences
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- David M. Werner, Huntington Station, NY, BS, 2009, DPT, 2012, University of Dayton (OH) Medical Sciences
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Marshals for the exercises, who wear red robes are:

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ACADEMIC ATTIRE

The caps and gowns worn during formal academic occasions in American colleges today are the direct descendants of the everyday costumes worn in the universities of Medieval England. Each school had its own special attire so that an Oxford student could be distinguished from a Cambridge student, or a divinity student from a layman. Several costumes from European institutions are worn in today's ceremony by Medical Center faculty.

Because of the tremendous growth of American colleges and the confusion which would result if each were to adopt a distinctive costume, the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume was organized. The Bureau has established a uniform code which over 700 institutions have adopted. Harvard, practically alone, still clings to its own traditional costumes.

The distinctions of the Code are simple, there being three types of gowns and three types of hoods for bachelors, masters, and doctors, respectively. The bachelor's gown has a long pointed sleeve, whereas the master's gown has a long closed sleeve, square at the end with an arc of a circle above the bottom. The sleeve extends well below the knee, the arm coming through a slit near the elbow. The doctor's gown is characterized by a voluminous bell-shaped sleeve on which appear three velvet bars and by velvet facings or panels of the same color down the front. The navy blue gown trimmed with scarlet velvet, worn by some members of the faculty, indicates fellowship in the American College of Surgeons.

The hood is the most important and distinctive feature of the Code. The hoods for all degrees are lined with silk in the official academic color or colors of the institution conferring the degree and have an edging or trim of velvet, the color of which indicates the course or faculty to which the degree pertains. The lining is exposed when the hood is worn. The bachelor's hood is rather short with a narrow velvet edging. It is not worn by candidates for the baccalaureate but only by those upon whom this degree has been previously conferred. The master's hood is considerably longer, has a wider velvet edging, and exposes more of the lining. The doctor's hood is easily recognized since, of the three types of hoods, it has the widest velvet edging, greatest length, and fullest exposure of the lining, and has wide panels at the side.

The black mortarboard cap with tassel is worn with each type of gown. Those holding a doctor's degree are privileged to wear a gold tassel. Masters and bachelors wear black gowns and tassels that are either black or of the color appropriate to the degree in which they are being graduated. Marshals wear cardinal tassels. The members of the Board of Regents wear doctor's gowns.

Candidates receiving degrees with distinction, high distinction and highest distinction wear medallions with red ribbons, white ribbons and red and white ribbons respectively. Candidates receiving medallions have demonstrated, during the course of their study, superior academic aptitude.

Candidates receiving degrees with Academic Excellence are advanced placement students in the Colleges of Nursing and Dentistry who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement.

The colors, which may be observed at this commencement and which symbolize various courses or faculties, are as follows:

Dentistry	Lilac	Philosophy	Royal Blue
Mediciné	Green	Physical Therapy	Teal
	ofessionsGreen	Nursing	
Public Health	Salmon	Pharmacy	
	Golden Vellow		

