

Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Commencement and Convocation Ceremony

Recognizing the Class of 2020

May 22, 2020

# **Platform Party**

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## **Commencement Ceremony**

Invocation/Introductions Richard Lange, M.D., M.B.A.

#### Remarks

Jacob Winters President, Class of 2020

#### Keynote

Jose Manuel de la Rosa, M.D. Vice President for Outreach and Community Engagement Department of Pediatrics

Richard Lange, M.D., M.B.A. President, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso Dean, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

> Dual Degree and Research Honors Maureen Francis, M.D., M.S.-H.P.Ed., FACP

> > **Student Awards and Honors** *Charmaine Martin, M.D.*

> > > Recognitions Cynthia Perry, Ph.D.

Presentation of PLFSOM Awards Richard Lange, M.D., M.B.A.

Conferral of Degrees Richard Lange, M.D., M.B.A.

Diplomas Richard Lange, M.D., M.B.A.

Class Oath Class of 2020 Led by Gold-Headed Cane Award Recipient

## **Dual Degree and Research Honors**

## Distinction in Research and Scholarship

Jorge Guerra Christina Lee Akhil Padarti Pompeyo Quesada Peter Shahininan

#### **Distinction in Anatomy**

Christina Alvara Rebekah Bongato-Merren Jorge Guerra Brittany Harper Brian Jacinto Akhil Padarti John Pisquiy Lorenzo Sabido Andres Santos Timothy Tran Loc-Uyen Vo

## **Honor Societies**

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society Class of 2020

> Christina Alvara Joshua Dodderer Cyrus Elahi Heather Jones Janice Maliakkal Elizabeth McCain Calvin McNelly Akhil Padarti Peter Shahinian Timothy Tran Bryson Tudor Jesse Vance Loc-Uyen Vo Lindsay Wencel Jacob Winters

Doctor of Medicine/ Master of Public Health (Dual M.D./M.P.H.)

> Maria Aleman Catherine Bui Joshua Dodderer Cali Kirkham Sajid Leelani Angie Macias Meena Manivannan David Morris Asad Niazi Renet Roy

Gold Humanism Honor Society Class of 2020

Maria Aleman Christina Alvara Jessie Bangs Cyrus Elahi Joshua Dodderer Saiid Leelani Carlos Lodeiro Meena Manivannan Elizabeth McCain Calvin McNelly Akhil Padarti Grant Pham Laura Torres Jesse Vance Loc-Uyen Vo Jacob Winters

# Awards and Honors - Match Day Award Recipients

Emergency Medicine Outstanding Student Award Paige Williams

Family and Community Medicine Outstanding Student Award Garrett Walker

> Internal Medicine Osler Award Jose Venegas

Internal Medicine Outstanding Student Award Noe Caballero

Neurology Outstanding Student Award Noe Caballero

Obstetrics and Gynecology Outstanding Student Award Theresa Smith

Pediatrics Outstanding Student Award Joshua Dodderer and Elizabeth McCain

Psychiatry Outstanding Student Award Andres Diocares and Jessie Bangs

Surgery Outstanding Student Award Ashtyn Barrientes



## Awards and Honors – 100 Hour Club: Service Matters

Jorge Guerra Trent Edwards Darya Falamarzi Noe Caballero Servando Rivera Kimberly Vu Brian Jacinto Ashutosh Agrawal Blair Quattrochi HoangAnh Doan Maggie Scribner Jesse Vance Paige Williams Garrett Walker Manuel Garza Christina Lee Peter Shahinian Sajid Leelani Benjamin Chang Joshua Dodderer Natalia Luna John Pisquiy Brittany Harper Kevin Fraser Jessie Bangs David Morris

Meenakshi Manivannan Amanda Macias Angie Macias Cali Kirkham Florette Tshiaba Priyanka Kesavan Chary Alexandra Willauer Christina Alvara Akhil Padarti Renet Roy \* Hugo Quezada \* Cyrus Elahi \* Shane Lipson \* Maria Aleman \* Calvin McNelly \*\* Grant Pham \*\* Lindsay Wencel \*\* Akhil Padarti \*\* Heather Jones \*\* Carlos Lodeiro \*\* Rebekah Bongato-Merren \*\* Franz Puyol \*\* Loc-Uyen Vo \*\* Elizabeth McCain \*\*

\*Students with 250 hours or more \*\*Students with 500 hours or more

(Students are listed by ascending number of service hours accrued)

## Awards and Honors – Recognition of Military Service

U.S. Army Captain Maggie Scribner U.S. Marine Corps Sergeant Stephen Moreland



## Awards and Honors - Presentation of PLFSOM Awards

## – The Gold-Headed Cane –

The Gold-Headed Cane Award is a long-standing tradition in medicine instituted by the Royal College of Physicians in London. The college selected a physician it deemed to be an outstanding practitioner to carry the cane.

Dr. John Radcliffe was the first documented physician to carry the Gold-Headed Cane in England from 1689 to 1714. Between 1689 and 1825, the cane was presented to five distinguished British physicians: Radcliffe, Mead, Askew, Pitcairn and Baille. None of these men made contributions to the medical literature, but all were outstanding clinicians who exemplified the ultimate in consideration of patient care. The Gold-Headed Cane carried by these men now rests in the Museum of the Royal College of Physicians in London.

The American Association of Pathologists and Bacteriologists brought the tradition to America in 1919, presenting the award to Dr. Harold Ernst, Professor of Pathology at Harvard. From Harvard, the cane tradition was picked up by societies in California, Pennsylvania and Texas. Dr. William J. Kerr, who initiated the awarding of the Gold-Headed Cane at the University of California in 1939, felt that while the science of medicine had been appropriately recognized and rewarded, the art of medicine "should be more forcibly brought to the attention of students, faculty, and to all those concerned with the care of patients." A number of medical schools in the United States have since adopted the symbol to recognize excellence in clinical medicine.

The tradition continues at the TTUHSC El Paso Paul L. Foster School of Medicine. The recipient is selected jointly by students and faculty as the individual who best exemplifies the attributes most desirable in the competent and caring physician. Dr. Herb Janssen, a faculty member with TTUHSC El Paso for over 45 years, has handcrafted a walking cane and generously donated it to our school. This gold-trimmed walking cane and an engraved plaque with the list of recipients' names will be kept on display in the glass cases of the Medical Education Building for years to come.

**Gold-Headed Cane Award** (Announced During the Ceremony)

Dean's Highest Academic Achievement Award (Announced During the Ceremony)



Class of 2020 Candidates for the Doctor of Medicine Degree Reader Lourdes Janssen Unit Manager, Clerkship Support

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# **Class Oath**

At all times, I will remember that I am a servant of humanity. To this end, I profess the following:

I will uphold and build upon the standards of my predecessors, maintaining a scientist's curiosity while respecting the wisdom of the past.

I will maintain a reverence for all those entrusted to my care, both in life and in death, for they are my teachers. Through competence and compassion, I will express gratitude for their willingness to help me grow.

Forsaking motivations that could compromise judgment, I will offer treatment to the best of my ability with equity for all. I will respect my patients' sovereignty while minimizing harm.

I will fulfill my role with integrity and humility, in collaboration with my patients, their loved ones, and our partners in care. Although I am a steward of my community, I will remember that I am fallible. I will reflect on my experiences, acknowledge my limitations, and seek help whenever needed. I will not only empower others to maintain good health; I will strive to do so myself.

Affirming my community and loved ones as a part of my journey, their needs will not be ignored. Thank you for the sacrifices you have made, and will make.

Above all, I will remember that medicine is intrinsically bound to humanity in a majestic confluence that shapes and improves upon our society.

I shall remember this oath and strive towards the ideals it embodies. I take this oath solemnly, freely, and upon my honor.



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Congratulations to all of our graduates

