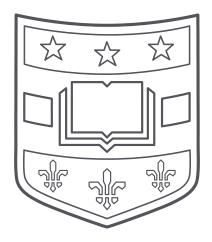


COMMENCEMENT RECOGNITION CEREMONY

MAY 21, 2021





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Awards and Prizes

Alpha Omega Alpha Book Prize

Awarded to a member of the graduating class who has performed outstandingly for the entire course of medical study.

Sharon Rose Abada

American Academy of Neurology Medical Student Prize for Excellence in Neurology

Awarded for excellence in clinical neurology, outstanding scientific achievement and clinical acumen in neurology or neuroscience, and personal integrity, compassion and leadership.

Jared Vega Goodman

American College of Physicians Clerkship Award

This award was established in 1992 and recognizes a student completing the third year of study with meritorious achievement in the Internal Medicine Clinical Clerkship.

Sirui Ma

American College of Physicians Michael M. Karl, M.D. Book Award

Presented annually to a member of the graduating class committed to a career in internal medicine, in recognition of highest achievement in the field of internal medicine.

Katherine Elizabeth Jordan

American Medical Women's Association Glasgow-Rubin Citation for Academic Achievement

Presented to women medical students graduating in the top ten percent of their class.

Sharon Rose Abada Jolee Grace Potts
Ashima Chadha Niyathi Prasad

Ella Gervais Gibson Eliza Ruth Thompson

Dayana Michell Hernandez Calderon Katherine Marie Velicki

Grace Catherine Keane Julia Alexandra Wagner

Nithya Lingampalli

American Medical Women's Association Glasgow-Rubin Award for Academic Achievement

Katherine Elizabeth Jordan

Ruth Bebermeyer Award

This award honors her many years of service to the Alumni Association and to the students of the School of Medicine. It is awarded to a student who has shown extraordinary kindness and sensitivity to the needs of others.

Kamaria Laine Muraba Lee

The Alexander Berg Prize

Awarded to the student presenting the best results in research in molecular microbiology.

Samantha Anne Hsieh

Emilie Veronica Russler-Germain

The James and Philip Brasington Memorial Prize

Awarded to a medical school student who has demonstrated excellent preclinical and clinical academic performance in psychiatry and who has the potential to make significant contributions to the field.

Margaret Kathleen Duncan

Jacques J. Bronfenbrenner Award

Provided by Dr. Bronfenbrenner's students in memory of his inspiration as a teacher and a scientist, and awarded to a member of the graduating class who, as judged by the Department of Internal Medicine, has done the most outstanding work in infectious diseases or related fields.

Julia Alexandra Wagner

Dr. Richard S. Brookings Medical School Prizes

These prizes were provided through a bequest of Mr. Robert Brookings in honor of his father, Dr. Richard Brookings, to recognize outstanding student performance in medical school curriculum.

Ashima Chadha

Jason Alan Morris

Timothy Peter Rooney, Jr.

Dr. Richard S. Brookings Medical School Prize

Provided through a bequest of Robert S. Brookings to recognize meritorious research in medical school.

Alexander Thomas Yahanda

Dr. Harvey Butcher Prize in Surgery

Awarded annually in memory of Dr. Harvey Butcher to a member of the graduating class who, as judged by the Department of Surgery, shows the greatest promise for general surgery.

Connie Yuying Gan

Robert Carter Medical School Prizes

These prizes were provided through a bequest of Mr. Robert Brookings in honor of his maternal grandfather Robert Carter, an industrialist and farmer, to recognize outstanding student performance in the medical school curriculum.

John William LeClair

Jolee Grace Potts

Niyathi Prasad

Robert Carter Medical School Award

Provided for medical students through a bequest from Robert S. Brookings for meritorious performance and research in medical school.

Trisha Bhat Scharff

F. Sessions Cole Award in Pediatrics

The Cole award is presented annually to a senior medical student entering the field of pediatrics who best embodies the mission of F. Sessions Cole, MD. Dr. Cole has been a physician scientist who continually embraces new and emerging technologies, in particular incorporating genomics into clinical care. He is a kind and caring mentor who provides honest and thoughtful appraisals and gives generously with his time. He is a master clinician who continually advocates for our smallest patients, and supports their families, the hospital staff and all of those who care for them, by going above and beyond what is expected. An omnipresent voice of wisdom, a motivator and an inspiration to all.

Devon Rose Camp

Elisabeth L. Demonchaux Prize in Pediatrics

Established in 1985, the prize is awarded annually to a graduating student who has done outstanding work in pediatrics.

Madeline Spencer

Steven Dresler Prize

The prize is awarded to a student who has demonstrated a commitment to promoting social good, civil rights, and civil liberties through social action and volunteerism.

Gabriel Tissian

Dr. William Ellis Award

Established in 1990 by Dr. Ellis and awarded to a senior student in recognition of meritorious research in ophthalmology.

Georges Isaac Guillaume

The Endocrine Society Medical Student Achievement Award

Recognizing a graduating medical student who has shown special achievement and interest in the general field of endocrinology.

Avira Som

George F. Gill Prize in Pediatrics

Awarded to a member of the graduating class who has demonstrated superior scholarship in pediatrics.

Faith Stuart Williams

Alfred Goldman Book Prize in Diseases of the Chest

Created in 1972 as an annual award to be given to a student selected by the faculty for outstanding clinical work or research in diseases of the chest or pulmonary physiology.

Aaron Onyango Obare Silverstein

Max and Evelyn Grand Prize

Established in 1985 by Dr. M. Gilbert Grand, the prize is awarded annually to a member of the graduating class for excellence in ophthalmic research or clinical ophthalmology.

Shahriyar Patrick Majidi

Herrmann Prize

This prize was created by Dr. Paul Herrmann (MD '61) and his wife, Susan, to recognize a student who is considered a thoughtful and sensitive communicator in the clinical arena and who exemplifies listening and communication skills every patient hopes their physician will possess.

Leah Newcomer

Peter Halstead Hudgens Award

Established by Dr. Richard W. Hudgens in memory of his son, this award recognizes a graduating student for excellence in research and clinical psychiatry.

Helen Margaret Liljenwall

Dr. John Esben Kirk Scholastic Award

Established in 1975 and awarded to a graduating student of high scholastic standing.

Katherine Marie Velicki

Louis and Dorothy Kovitz Senior Prize in Surgery

Senior award in surgery recognizing a member of the graduating class who has shown the most outstanding ability, zeal and interest in surgical problems.

Chuner Guo

I. Wallace Leibner Award

Established in 1988 in memory of Dr. Leibner, the award is given to the member of the graduating class who has not only demonstrated excellence in diagnosis and therapeutics, but also an understanding of human nature and needs, and an active nurturing of both patient and family.

Matthew Grant Lammers

Irwin Levy Prize in Neurology and Neurological Surgery

This prize was established in 1980 by friends of Dr. Levy as a tribute to his commitment to clinical teaching. This prize is awarded to the student who presents the best performance in neurology and neurological surgery.

Kayla Nicole Berry

Sarah Elizabeth Smith

Edward Massie Prize for Excellence in Cardiology

Awarded to the member of the graduating class who, as judged by the Division of Cardiovascular Disease in the Department of Internal Medicine, has done the most outstanding clinical or basic research work in the field of cardiovascular disease.

Andrew Chang Qi

Medical Fund Society Prize in Medicine

One prize awarded annually to a graduating student who has excelled in the study of internal medicine.

Nathan Evan Adams

Medical Fund Society Prize in Surgery

One prize awarded annually to a graduating student who has excelled in the study of surgery.

Adam Shafiq Surti

Merck Academic Excellence Awards

Given annually to three graduating medical students for scholastic achievement in medical studies.

Gautam Adusumilli

Ella Gervais Gibson

Mark Zwei Terng

Missouri State Medical Association Award

Presented annually to honor School of Medicine graduates for outstanding achievement in the study of medicine.

Samantha Grace Lund

Doctor Helen E. Nash Academic Achievement Award

This award is given annually to a student who has exhibited an unusual degree of the qualities of industry, perseverance, determination and enthusiasm. The prize is given in honor of Dr. Helen Nash, a pediatrician noted in the St. Louis community for her commitment to excellence, tireless advocacy on behalf of children, and endless enthusiasm for the field of medicine.

Kamaria Laine Muraba Lee

Dr. Philip Rosenblatt Award in Pathology

Given to a senior medical student for distinguished performance during an elective in pathology or laboratory medicine.

Emilie Veronica Russler-Germain

St. Louis Pediatric Society Senior Prize

Presented to the senior student showing the greatest promise in clinical pediatrics.

Leah Eliza Newcomer

Dr. William A. Rubenstein Award in Medicine

This award is presented annually to a 4th year student who shows a serious interest in pursuing a career in internal medicine and who demonstrates the exceptional qualities of a gifted physician, including compassion, caring and the pursuit of scientific knowledge.

Sharon Rose Abada

David F. Silbert Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award

Established in memory of Dr. Silbert, this prize is awarded to a teaching assistant (in a medical school course) in recognition of a commitment to teaching.

Cory Benjamin French

John R. Smith Memorial Fund Award

Created in 1982 and awarded to a medical student who has done meritorious clinical and/or research work in the Division of Cardiovascular Disease within the Department of Internal Medicine.

Avira Som

Morton E. Smith Promise in Academic Medicine Award

Established in 2020 in honor of Dr. Smith's years of service as Councilor of Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Honor Medical Society. Presented to a student who shows exceptional promise in academic medicine and exemplifies Dr. Smith's passion for teaching, humility, kindness, and good humor.

Kayla Nicole Berry

Society for Academic Emergency Medicine Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award

Based on demonstrated excellence in the specialty of emergency medicine, it is awarded to a senior medical student at Commencement.

Nicholas J.F. Becker

Samuel D. Soule Award in Obstetrics and Gynecology

Presented to a member of the fourth-year class for meritorious achievement in either basic or clinical investigation in obstetrics and gynecology.

Carrie Sibbald

Jessie L. Ternberg Award

This award is presented to a woman who best exemplifies Dr. Ternberg's indomitable spirit of determination, perseverance and dedication to her patients.

Akua Addo Nuako

Washington University Internal Medicine Club Research Award

Awarded to the member of the graduating class who has done the most significant research in any area of internal medicine.

Julia Alexandra Wagner

Samson F. Wennerman Prize in Surgery

Established by his wife, Zelda E. Wennerman, and awarded annually to a fourth-year student who has demonstrated promise in the field of surgery.

Ioana Bianca Florea

Hugh M. Wilson Award in Radiology

Given annually to a graduating medical student in recognition of outstanding work in radiology-related subjects, either clinical or basic science.

Derek Blake Miller

The Wynder Prize for Preventive Medicine

An annual prize established in 1994 and awarded to senior medical students who have done the best research in preventive medicine.

Margaret Kathleen Duncan

Eliza Ruth Thompson

Faith Stuart Williams

James Henry Yalem Prize in Dermatology

Established by Charles Yalem in memory of his son and awarded annually to a member of the fourth-year class for outstanding work in dermatology.

Trisha Bhat Scharff

Gold Humanism Honor Society

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Damien Abreu Helen Margaret Liljenwall
Umber Dube Samantha Grace Lund
Shahroz Fatima Jason Alan Morris
Connie Yuying Gan Leah Eliza Newcomer
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John William LeClair Alexander Thomas Yahanda

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 PRACTISE my profession with conscience and dignity and in accordance with good medical practice;

I WILL FOSTER the honour 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 honour.

