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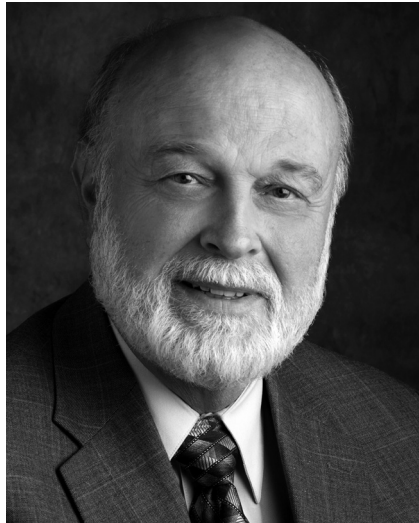
LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY

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Message from the President



Congratulations to the Class of 2016.

One of the greatest joys experienced by our campus community is the opportunity to celebrate your academic excellence and personal achievements. This 110th commencement season marks the culmination of your study and professional preparation, which have equipped you to meet the next great adventures of your lives. You and those who have supported you are to be commended.

Now and for all time, you occupy a place among the alumni of this historic institution. I urge you always to model in your personal and professional life the excellence and vision, the courage and resilience, the passion and compassion that continue to shape and enhance our global reputation and legacy.

As you move beyond this weekend to the world of work or the pursuit of advanced degrees, I know that your commitment to our mission and values will be evident as your knowledge and skills are used to “continue the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ—to make man whole.”

Now go with confidence wherever your dreams may lead you—questioning, learning, and challenging as you change our world for the better. I wish for you a satisfying and successful journey as you serve in the name and spirit of our gracious God.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard H. Hart". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Richard H. Hart, M.D., Dr.P.H.

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2016 Events of Commencement

DEDICATION CEREMONIES

School of Medicine, Basic Sciences Consecration and Hooding
May 27, 3:00 P.M., Fong Conference Center
(Centennial Complex, 4th floor)

School of Dentistry, Dental Hygiene Pinning
May 27, 6:00 P.M., Campus Hill Church

School of Medicine Consecration and Hooding—M.D.
May 27, 7:00 P.M., University Church

School of Pharmacy Hooding
May 27, 7:00 P.M., Wong Kerlee International
Conference Center

*School of Behavioral Health, Department of Social Work and
Social Ecology Hooding—M.S.W.*
June 10, 10:30 A.M., University Church

School of Public Health Consecration and Hooding
June 10, 11:00 A.M., Campus Hill Church

*School of Allied Health Professions Ph.D. in Rehabilitation
Science Program Hooding*
June 10, 11:00 A.M., Hammond-Jewel Music Center
(Campus Hill Church)

*School of Behavioral Health Town and Gown—Doctoral
Candidates*
June 10, 1:30 P.M., University Church

*School of Allied Health Professions Nutrition and Dietetics
Pinning*
June 10, 4:00 P.M., Centennial Complex,
Damazo Amphitheater

*School of Nursing Graduate Recognition Ceremony—M.S.,
D.N.P., and Ph.D.*
June 10, 4:00 P.M., Wong Kerlee International Conference
Center

CELEBRATION OF GRADUATES VESPER SERVICE

June 10, 7:00 P.M., University Church

BACCALAUREATE
SERVICES

Schools of Dentistry and Pharmacy
May 28, 9:00 A.M., University Church

School of Medicine
May 28, 11:45 A.M., University Church

Schools of Allied Health Professions and Public Health
June 11, 9:00 A.M., University Church

Schools of Behavioral Health, Nursing, and Religion
June 11, 11:45 A.M., University Church

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

School of Medicine
May 29, 8:30 A.M., University Mall

School of Pharmacy
May 29, 1:30 P.M., University Mall

School of Dentistry
May 29, 5:00 P.M., University Mall

School of Allied Health Professions—Allied Health Studies,
Cardiopulmonary Sciences, Clinical Laboratory Science, Health
Informatics and Information Management, Nutrition and
Dietetics, Physician Assistant, Radiation Technology
June 12, 8:00 A.M., Drayson Center

School of Allied Health Professions—Communication Sciences
and Disorders, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy
June 12, 10:30 A.M., Drayson Center

School of Public Health
June 12, 1:00 P.M., Drayson Center

School of Behavioral Health and School of Religion
June 12, 3:30 P.M., Drayson Center

School of Nursing
June 12, 6:00 P.M., Drayson Center

The Academic Procession

THE PROCESSION ORDER

The Commencement Marshals with the University Mace and Batons
The President's Party
Members of the University Board of Trustees
Loma Linda University Health (LLUH) Administrators
The Faculty of the School
The Candidates for Degrees

THE MACE

Traditionally, the ceremonial mace represents the authority vested in the highest officer of a governing body. In an educational institution, the authority symbolized by the mace derives from respect for the authority of knowledge and for the rights and value of the individual. Thus, the leader of an academic community assumes the obligation and challenge to ensure for its members a climate conducive to growth in knowledge and grace.

The construction of the ceremonial mace of Loma Linda University evokes further ideas. Its two metals, bronze and aluminum, suggest the value of lessons both ancient and contemporary. Rather than lying prone, an instrument to be wielded, this mace stands upright in celebration of the free human spirit. Its open construction implies free exposure to questions, ideas, and conflict. The eight vertical supporting elements (at three points bound together as for strength and stability in unity) uphold a graceful oval that points outward to the universe, the province of inquiry.

Within the oval, the University seal appears to float unfettered. The staff of Aesculapius on the left represents all fields of the healing arts and sciences. The Christian cross acknowledges the role of Jesus Christ as Savior and Redeemer. The open book symbolizes God the Word as the basis for all truth. The lighted torch suggests the illuminating power of knowledge and the University's central purpose of forwarding and perpetuating good through the enlightened, searching, caring mind and conscience of the individual.

Carrying the University mace and batons, the University head marshal and associate marshals precede the president's party, members of the board, LLUH corporate officers, faculty of the school, and candidates for degrees. Loma Linda University's colors—gold and purple—are represented in the marshals' gold-colored gowns trimmed with purple velvet.

THE PRESIDENT'S PARTY

The president's party includes participants identified in the program, as well as University administrators, school deans, and LLUH administrators.

University Administrators

Richard H. Hart, president; Rachelle B. Bussell, senior vice president for advancement; Ronald L. Carter, provost; David P. Harris, vice president for information systems; Rodney D. Neal, senior vice president for financial affairs; Rick E. Williams, vice president for enrollment management and student services.

Deans of the Schools

Craig R. Jackson, School of Allied Health Professions; Beverly J. Buckles, School of Behavioral Health; Ronald J. Dailey, School of Dentistry; H. Roger Hadley, School of Medicine; Elizabeth A. Bossert, School of Nursing; Marilyn M. Herrmann, interim, School of Pharmacy; Helen Hopp Marshak, School of Public Health; Jon K. Paulien, School of Religion; Anthony J. Zuccarelli, Faculty of Graduate Studies.

Other LLU Health Administrators

J. Peter Baker, vice president for business development; Lyndon C. Edwards, senior vice president for adult hospital services; Melvin A. Eisele, vice president for revenue cycle; Edward L. Field, vice president for Behavioral Medicine Center; Daniel W. Giang, vice president for graduate medical education; Myrna L. Hanna, corporate secretary; Kerry L. Heinrich, executive vice president for hospital affairs; Gregory C. Henderson, Sr., senior vice president for LLUMC-Murrieta; Mark L. Hubbard, senior vice president for risk management and human resource management/assistant secretary; L. Orlando Huggins, assistant secretary; Angela M. Lalas, senior vice president for finance; Kevin J. Lang, executive vice president for finance and administration/chief financial officer; James M. Pappas, vice president for quality; M. Scott Perryman, senior vice president for Children's Hospital; Ricardo L. Peverini, senior vice president for clinical faculty; Mark E. Reeves, vice president for institutes; Rhodes "Dusty" Rigsby, vice president for transitional care; Whitney P. Smith, assistant secretary; David G. Wren, senior vice president for faculty practice; Trevor G. Wright, senior vice president for health facilities operations.

Significance of Academic Regalia

ORIGINS

The origins of academic dress date back to the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. The ordinary dress of the scholar, whether student or teacher, was the dress of a cleric. Long gowns were worn and may have been necessary for warmth in unheated buildings. A statute of the University of Coimbra in 1321 required that all “Doctors, Licentiates, and Bachelors” wear gowns. In England, in the second half of the fourteenth century, the statutes of certain colleges forbade “excess in apparel” and prescribed the wearing of a long gown. In the days of Henry VIII of England, Oxford and Cambridge first began prescribing a definite academic dress. The assignment of colors to signify certain faculties was to be a much later development—in the late nineteenth century—and one that was to be standardized only in the United States. European institutions have always had great diversity in their specifications of academic dress. In contrast, American colleges and universities opted for a definite system that all might follow. The American Council on Education periodically reviews and updates the code for academic costumes for American universities.

COLORS

Gowns for the bachelor’s or master’s degree are untrimmed. For the doctor’s degree, the gown is faced down the front with black velvet; three bars of velvet are used across the sleeves. These facings or crossbars may be of velvet of the color distinctive of the discipline to which the degree pertains. Red, one of the traditional colors of the church, went to theology. Green, the color of medieval herbs, was adopted for medicine; and olive, because it was so close to green, was given to pharmacy. Golden yellow, standing for the wealth that scientific research has produced, was assigned to the sciences.

The hoods are lined with the official color or colors of the college or university conferring the degree; more than one color is shown by division of the field color in a variety of ways. The color of the binding or edging of the hood indicates the subject to which the degree pertains.

The colors associated with the different disciplines are as follows:

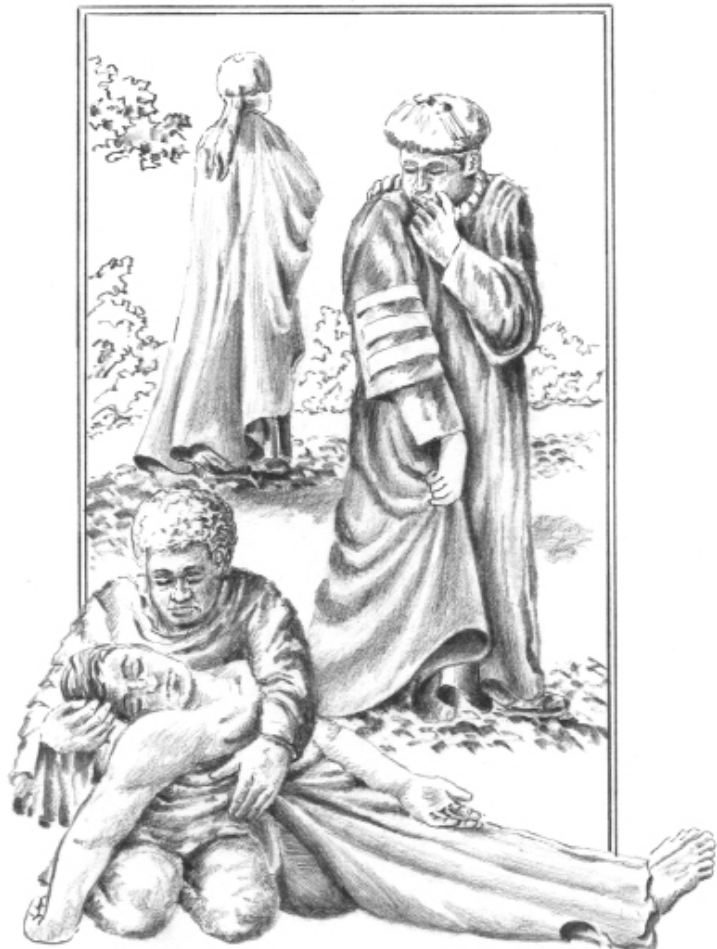
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Business	Brown
Dentistry	Lilac
Education	Light Blue
Law	Purple
Library Science, Information Management	Lemon
Medicine	Green
Nursing	Apricot
Pharmacy	Olive Green
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Therapy	Teal
Public Health	Salmon Pink
Science	Golden Yellow
Social Work	Citron
Theology	Scarlet

Excerpted from E. Sullivan (© 1997), *An Academic Costume Code and an Academic Ceremony Guide*.

The Good Samaritan

The Good Samaritan, the four-figure sculpture located on the mall of Loma Linda University, is a representation of the parable told by Jesus in Luke 10:30–37. Sculpted by Alan Collins, and dedicated and unveiled at Loma Linda University May 31, 1981, it speaks eloquently of the compassionate practice of the healing arts and of our mission—"to continue the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ"—and of the motto of this health sciences University—"To make man whole."

The Good Samaritan has been incorporated into the diploma as a screened background since 2006.



University History Highlights



Loma Linda University is part of the Seventh-day Adventist system of higher education that adheres to and promotes its vision—“Transforming lives through education, health care, and research”—and its motto—“To make man whole.”

Loma Linda University traces its beginnings back to 1905, when—through a series of divine providences—the University, starting as a nurses’ training school, was founded at Loma Linda, California, by the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The School of Nursing began in 1905. In 1909, the College of Medical Evangelists received its charter as a medical school with the express purpose of preparing physicians who could meet the needs of the whole person. Both schools emphasized the need for healthful living as a part of medical care—a revolutionary concept in 1905.

The University has steadily expanded its programs to meet the demands of a global environment. The original schools—Nursing and Medicine—have been joined by the Schools of Allied Health Professions, Behavioral Health, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Public Health, and Religion; and the Faculty of Graduate Studies. All the school programs are accredited by their respective accrediting bodies.

- 1905 Loma Linda Sanitarium and Nurses’ Training School (renamed School of Nursing in 1924)
- 1909 Institution named College of Medical Evangelists (CME), which included School of Medicine
- 1937 School of Medical Technology
- 1941 School of Physical Therapy
- 1948 School of Tropical and Preventive Medicine (reorganized as School of Public Health in 1967)
- 1953 School of Dentistry
- 1954 Graduate School (restructured as Faculty of Graduate Studies in 2005)
- 1961 College of Medical Evangelists renamed Loma Linda University
- 1962 Voted to consolidate the Schools of Medicine and Nursing on the Loma Linda campus
- 1966 Schools/programs consolidated as the School of Health Related Professions, now known as School of Allied Health Professions



- 1967 Loma Linda University campus merged with La Sierra College
- 1968 Loma Linda University Hospital dedicated; renamed Loma Linda University Medical Center in 1970
- 1990 Loma Linda and La Sierra campuses became two separate universities
- 1997 Loma Linda University and Medical Center corporately linked together through Loma Linda University Adventist Health Sciences Center—LLUAHSC
- 2002 School of Pharmacy
- 2003 School of Science and Technology (restructured as School of Behavioral Health in 2012)
- 2005 LLU centennial celebration
- 2007 School of Religion
- 2015 Corporation name changed from Loma Linda University Adventist Health Sciences Center (LLUAHSC) to Loma Linda University Health (LLUH)

Today the original 1905 property is part of an expanding health sciences campus operated under the jurisdiction of Loma Linda University Health—which includes six Loma Linda University-named medical facilities: Medical Center, Children’s Hospital, Medical Center-East Campus, Surgical Hospital, Behavioral Medicine Center, and Medical Center-Murrieta; ten LLUH institutes; three LLUH-related research centers; and various school-related research centers.

After more than a century of service, the University remains committed to the vision of its founders and is sustained by its close association with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The University is recognized as a leader in the field of health sciences education, research, and service—locally and internationally.

Through divine providence and guidance, Loma Linda University continues to fulfill its mission: To prepare health professionals to continue the teaching and healing ministry of the Master Teacher and Great Physician, Jesus Christ.

Loma Linda University Song

Healing Love

By Wintley Phipps and John Stoddart

We live each day to reach a world that's hurting,
To help some wandering soul to find their way.
We bring them peace with words of blessed assurance.
And with God's love we wipe the tears away.

*We are His hands to touch a world that's broken.
We are His voice to cheer the wounded soul.
Shining the light of love that lives in Jesus,
We are His comfort—His healing love.*

We're going to a place where pain and sadness
Will never plunge a soul into despair.
We give our service knowing Christ has promised
We live forever always in His care.

*We are His hands to touch a world that's broken.
We are His voice to cheer the wounded soul.
Shining the light of love that lives in Jesus,
We are His comfort—His healing love.*

*Shining the light that lives in Jesus,
We are His comfort—His healing love.
We are His comfort—To make man whole.*

The Speakers

Gillian Seton



Medical Director, S.D.A. Cooper Memorial
Hospital, Monrovia, Republic of Liberia,
West Africa

*B.A. Walla Walla College (now Walla Walla
University) 2004*

M.D. Loma Linda University SM 2008

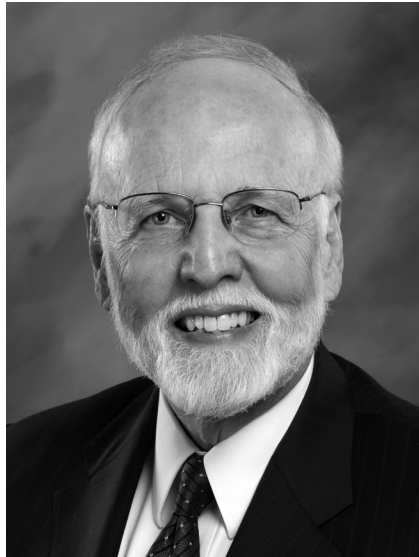
Gillian Seton was born in Euclid, Ohio—the second of three children and the only daughter. After the family relocated to Colorado, she attended and graduated from Campion Academy. While attending Walla Walla University, she participated in the Adventist Colleges Abroad program, completing a year of studies at Newbold College in England. She then spent a year in Belize as a student missionary, working at La Loma Luz Hospital.

As part of Dr. Seton's long-term plan to work in global medicine, she attended Loma Linda University School of Medicine. While pursuing her studies, she realized that general surgery was the perfect professional fit for her. She joined the Deferred Missions Appointee (DMA) program, planning to spend at least five years in the mission field. After completing a surgical residency at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, she spent an additional six months on their faculty to acquire independent exposure, within easy call of experienced mentors, in preparation for the medical and surgical demands of a low-resource country.

Dr. Seton's prayerful investigation of several international sites led her to the clear choice of the small West African country of Liberia for her DMA placement. She arrived at S.D.A. Cooper Memorial Hospital in February 2014, just before the staggering Ebola outbreak reached the country. Given the overwhelming medical needs before and during the crisis, the hospital struggled to remain open for non-Ebola medical emergencies. Now a year later, with periodic recurrences of the virus, the hospital is slowly digging out of the physical, emotional, and financial devastation it experienced; and the team continues to build its quality and its capacity to respond to the needs of the community.

Dr. Seton will deliver her address at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Medicine.

Gerald Winslow



Director, Institute for Health Policy and Leadership
Associate Scholar, Center for Christian Bioethics, School of Religion
Professor, School of Religion and School of Public Health
Member, Faculty of Graduate Studies
Loma Linda University

B.A. Walla Walla College (now Walla Walla University) 1967

M.A. Andrews University 1968

Ph.D. Graduate Theological Union 1979

Honorary Fellow, American College of Dentists 2011

For more than forty years, Dr. Gerald Winslow has taught and written about Christian ethics. His work has focused primarily on issues of biomedical ethics. He has served as a professor at Walla Walla University; Pacific Union College; and, for the past twenty-five years, at Loma Linda University, where he was also vice president for mission and culture. His books include *Triage and Justice* published by the University of California Press and *Facing Limits* from Westview Press. He has written more than 100 scholarly publications—including book chapters; as well as articles in journals such as the *Hastings Center Report*, the *Journal of Medicine and Philosophy*, and *General Dentistry*. His current work focuses on the intersection of ethics and health policy.

Dr. Winslow has presented lectures and seminars at universities and for professional groups throughout North America; and in Australia, Europe, Russia, Africa, and the People's Republic of China. He is a member of the Society of Christian Ethics and has served as president of the American Society for Dental Ethics. He is a member of the California Technology Assessment Forum, a public forum for the evaluation of new health-care technologies. He has also served as a consultant in ethics for major health-care systems and for research conducted by pharmaceutical companies.

Dr. Winslow is married to Dr. Betty Wehtje Winslow, who teaches research methods and community health nursing at Loma Linda University School of Nursing. The Winslows have two daughters—Lisa, who is a computer software engineer; and Angela, who is an occupational therapist.

Dr. Winslow will deliver his address at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Pharmacy.

Carol Gomez Summerhays



President, American Dental Association
Private practice dentist

*B.S. University of San Francisco 1974
D.D.S. University of Southern California 1978
Fellow of the American College of Dentistry,
the International College of Dentistry, and
the Pierre Fauchard Academy
Mastership, Academy of General Dentistry*

*Academy of General Dentistry Lifelong Learning
and Service Recognition Award*

*San Diego Salvation Army honoree, named
one of the "Women of Dedication-Portraits in
Philanthropy" 2010*

*San Diego Girl Scouts honoree, named one of
"San Diego's 10 Cool Women" 2010*

Dr. Carol Gomez Summerhays attended the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry at the University of Southern California on a full Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship. Just prior to beginning dental school, she was commissioned as an ensign in the Navy Dental Corps. After earning her dental degree, she established a full-time, private practice in San Diego, California. As a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps, she served as a military dentist for four years.

In November 2015, Dr. Summerhays became the 152nd president of the American Dental Association (ADA). Prior to this appointment, she served as president of the California Dental Association (CDA) and as board member of The Dentists Insurance Company, the CDA Foundation, and the Pankey Institute. She held positions in the Academy of General Dentistry; and as the Thirteenth District trustee of the ADA, she served on committees that guided compensation, governance, pension, and the FDI delegation. Her appointment as ADA trustee liaison included membership on the New Dentist Committee, the Council on Government Affairs, and the Council on Members' Insurance and Retirement Programs. She also served for four years as an at-large member of the Strategic Planning Committee, with an additional two years as trustee; and as a national advisor to the ADA Institute for Diversity.

Dr. Summerhays and her husband of thirty-two years, Soames, have two sons, Giles and Bryce.

Dr. Summerhays will deliver her address at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Dentistry.

Dilys A. Brooks



Associate Campus Chaplain, Loma Linda University

B.S. City University of New York
M.S. Adelphi University 1995
M.A. Bank Street College 2000
M.Div. Andrews University Theological Seminary 2005

Chaplain Dilys A. Brooks was born on the island of Jamaica and immigrated to the United States with her family. She had always sensed the presence of God in her life and was reared to study the Scriptures and maintain a relationship with Jesus. Based on a sequence of events during her childhood and adolescent years, she was drawn to the message of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and became a baptized member.

It was at her home church in Linden, Queens, New York, that Chaplain Brooks met and married her husband, Dr. Delroy Brooks. While an educator in both Christian and public schools in New York City, she actively participated in many of her church's ministries. She could not, however, shake the growing restlessness in her soul to serve in full-time ministry.

In 2002, Chaplain Brooks and her husband decided to live a life that centered around Matthew 6:33—*"Seek first the kingdom of God"*—which led them both to the seminary at Andrews University. After graduation in 2005, she accepted an invitation to serve as associate campus chaplain at Loma Linda University. Her responsibilities focus on providing spiritual care for students, faculty, and staff within the University community. Passionate and enthusiastic about sharing the gospel, she helps prepare youth and young adults to know Christ personally and accept His call to become change agents in the world for the Kingdom of God.

Chaplain Brooks, who is a commissioned minister of the Adventist Church, has traveled across the United States, Canada, Africa, and Australia preaching the good news of salvation in Jesus. She is happiest when she is preaching, teaching, or singing about Jesus. In addition to her own ministry opportunities, Chaplain Brooks provides support for her husband, who currently pastors the Juniper Avenue S.D.A. Church in Fontana, California. They are blessed to be the parents of Micah and Matea.

Chaplain Brooks will deliver her address at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Allied Health Professions.

Timothy Gillespie



Senior Pastor, Crosswalk Church, Redlands,
California
Chaplain, Azusa Pacific University
Assistant Professor, School of Public Health,
Loma Linda University

B.A. La Sierra University 1995
M.Div. Andrews Theological Seminary 1999
D.Min. George Fox University 2011

Dr. Timothy Gillespie is currently the lead pastor at the CrossWalk Church in Redlands, California. Prior to accepting this assignment, he was the faith community and health liaison for Loma Linda University Health (LLUH). His work in Loma Linda during the past thirteen years has included serving as chaplain at Loma Linda Academy and as young adult pastor at the University Church.

Dr. Gillespie's interest in geographic information systems (GIS) and faith community engagement began at LLUH. It has continued with work in the local community in conjunction with the School of Public Health in the Intentional Outreach Initiative.

In addition to the faculty positions Dr. Gillespie holds in Loma Linda University School of Public Health, Azusa Pacific University School of Nursing, and La Sierra University Divinity School, he also serves as chaplain for Azusa Pacific University at both its High Desert and Inland Empire regional campuses.

Dr. Gillespie is married to Sara, and they have three children.

Dr. Gillespie will deliver his address at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Public Health.

Colin A. Bruce



Director, Africa Regional Integration, the
World Bank

*B.A. London University (United Kingdom) 1981
M.A., Ph.D. McGill University (Montreal,
Quebec, Canada) 1983, 1985*

The World Bank was established in 1945 to assist countries in their post-World War II reconstruction and recovery efforts. Today, as the premier global development institution, its mission is to end extreme poverty and build shared prosperity.

Dr. Colin A. Bruce represents the World Bank Group on the global committee that comprises heads of United Nations agencies tasked with addressing humanitarian crises around the world. His focus is on collaborative efforts to promote durable solutions. He began his career at the World Bank in 1988. Since then, he has held positions of increasing responsibility at the country, regional, and global levels.

Dr. Bruce is a graduate of McGill and London universities, with additional executive studies at Harvard and Cambridge universities. He lives in Washington, D.C., with Lavern Bentt-Bruce, his wife of nearly twenty-six years, whom he met while she was a student at Stanford University Medical School in California.

Drs. Colin and Lavern Bruce are blessed with a daughter, Sivan, and a son, Colin Jr., who recently graduated from college and high school, respectively. They are citizens of the world who travel extensively to Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Caribbean.

Dr. Bruce will deliver his address at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Behavioral Health and the School of Religion.

Robyn Nelson



Dean, West Coast University College of
Nursing

B.S. Loma Linda University 1970

M.S. Boston University 1973

*Ph.D. University of California, San Francisco
1983*

An administrator, mentor, and trainer of future nurses—Dr. Robyn Nelson provides nursing leadership in conjunction with the campus nursing team for the five West Coast University (WCU) campuses in three states—comprising more than 3,000 clinical nursing students, 100 full-time faculty, and more than 240 adjunct faculty. She has served as dean of WCU College of Nursing for five years.

Dr. Nelson has taught at the bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree levels at several educational institutions, including Sacramento State University—part of the California State University system—where she served as chair of the Division of Nursing before accepting the appointment to serve as dean of the College of Health and Human Services at Touro University in Nevada. At Touro University, Dr. Nelson led the Schools of Education, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy.

Currently, Dr. Nelson serves as a member of the subchange panel and is a site visitor for the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC), and for the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). She has taught NCLEX review classes for more than twenty-five years, is co-author of Davis' *NCLEX-RN Success* (3rd edition), and has served as a curriculum consultant to six universities in California.

When describing her view of leadership, Dr. Nelson stated: "Life is full of challenges and opportunities rather than threats and harm. If we support our colleagues and the students who trust us with their futures, those challenges and opportunities consistently bring great success."

Dr. Robyn Nelson will deliver her address at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Nursing.

University Honorees

Lowell C. Cooper



Chair, Loma Linda University Health
boards and the board for Adventist
Health International

B.Th. Canadian Union College 1967
M.Div. Andrews University 1969
M.P.H. Loma Linda University PH 1978

*Doctor of Humane Letters, Loma Linda
University 2011*

Canadian-born Lowell C. Cooper recently retired as vice president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists after serving for seventeen years in this position. Prior to his employment at the church's world headquarters, he held pastoral and departmental leadership roles in Canada, followed by more than sixteen years of service in Pakistan and India.

Elder Cooper currently serves as a special assistant to the General Conference president. In this capacity, he continues as chair for the boards of Loma Linda University Health, a position he has held since 2001. He is also chair of the board for Adventist Health International.

During his tenure as vice president, Elder Cooper traveled extensively in all parts of the world, consulting and teaching on leadership within the Seventh-day Adventist Church and its institutions.

Elder Cooper's wife, Rae Lee (née Figuhr), is a nurse and a musician. The couple has two adult children, Jondell Roy and Todd.

In recognition of nearly half a century of service to the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and in appreciation for the special combination of skills, talent, and experience he has brought to his leadership role in this academic and health-care community, Loma Linda University Health is pleased to present to Elder Lowell C. Cooper the *Lifetime Service Award*. This award will be presented to him at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Medicine.

Brian S. Bull



Professor of Pathology and Human Anatomy,
School of Medicine, Loma Linda University

*B.S. Walla Walla College (now Walla Walla
University) 1957*

*M.D. College of Medical Evangelists (CME, now
Loma Linda University) 1961*

Editor-in-chief, Blood Cells (1984-1994)

*Member, vice president, and president, ICSH
(1985-1997)*

*Member, FDA's Hematology and Pathology
Devices Panel (1985-present)*

*Alumnus of the Year, School of Medicine Alumni
Association, Loma Linda University 2009*

*Distinguished Service Award, School of
Medicine, Loma Linda University 2003*

*Lifetime Service Award, Loma Linda University
2003*

*Alumnus of the Year Award, Walla Walla College
(now Walla Walla University) 1984*

Thirteen issued patents

After graduating from the College of Medical Evangelists (CME, now Loma Linda University [LLU]), Dr. Brian S. Bull studied anatomic pathology at Yale University and clinical pathology at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). While at the NIH, he devised a machine method for counting blood platelets, which replaced the tedious chamber counts and quickly became the standard procedure nationwide. As a postdoctoral fellow, he continued his training in hematopathology under Sir John Dacie in London, England—exploring and eventually explaining why red blood cells turn into small fragments in a rare disease known as microangiopathic hemolytic anemia.

In 1968, Dr. Bull returned to LLU School of Medicine (SM) with his wife, Maureen (née Huse, CME Class of 1957). The cardiac surgery team had acquired a heart-lung machine, and they sought his help in keeping the blood of patients from clotting during by-pass. That collaboration resulted in a paper describing a technique that was rapidly adopted by cardiac surgeons worldwide. In 2015, forty-seven years after its initial publication, this paper once again was featured prominently in the news by being designated number 8 on the list of the 20 all-time “game changers” in cardiovascular anesthesia. As a result of its revolutionary transformation of clinical practice, it is estimated that the open-heart surgery mortality rate was reduced by 50 percent.

During nearly half a century at LLUSM, Dr. Bull has served as chair of and professor in the Department of Pathology and Human Anatomy (1973-1994, 1995-2014); and as associate dean (1993-1994) and dean (1994-2002) of the school. He has authored more than 250 publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals; editorial commentaries; monographs; and book chapters and books in the areas of hematopathology, mathematics, and blood analysis instrumentation. Two of his frequently cited publications are now deemed “citation classics.”

Dr. Bull has also made professional contributions as editor-in-chief of an international hematology journal, as member and then president of the International Commission for Standardization in Hematology (ICSH), a task force that created World Health Organization standards in blood analysis; and as member of a Food and Drug Administration panel. He has instituted symposia around the world where leaders in hematology presented their latest work, which was subsequently published in *Blood Cells*.

For his life-saving and “game-changing” research contributions, Loma Linda University Health is delighted to name Dr. Brian S. Bull recipient of the *Distinguished Investigator Award*. This award will be presented to him at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Medicine.

Gordon Power



Professor, Departments of Basic Sciences
and of Gynecology and Obstetrics,
School of Medicine, Loma Linda
University

B.A. Swarthmore College (Pennsylvania) 1957
M.D. University of Pennsylvania 1961

After graduating with honors in biology from Swarthmore College and earning his M.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Gordon Power completed an internship and residency in internal medicine at Philadelphia General Hospital. He subsequently served three years in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. In 1969, he joined Dr. Lawrence D. Longo as a founding member of the Center for Perinatal Biology at Loma Linda University. Their work together, particularly in the early years with many other talented investigators and students, established the center as the premier laboratory in the world for fetal and newborn physiology research.

Having published extensively and presented his findings at international conferences, Dr. Power enjoys a global reputation as an accomplished and influential researcher. He has taught more than 4,000 medical students and mentored the research studies of approximately forty residents and postdoctoral fellows. For five years, he served as reviewer for an NIH study section and also directed a national testbed program that brought millions of dollars of federal funding to biomedical investigators.

Dr. Power's research emphases have included the role of the placenta in oxygen delivery to the fetal brain; how the newborn stays warm after birth; the optimal position for the mother experiencing labor; and how the newborn's lungs open to begin their respiratory function. Most recently, his investigation has focused on how nitric oxide redirects blood flow and metabolic pathways soon after birth. His patented findings will be made available to clinicians seeking effective therapies for newborns with pulmonary hypertension.

A source of great pride for Dr. Power is the work that is done in this academic and health-care community, and he is pleased to have been of assistance early in the careers of many who chose to begin their research journey in this place.

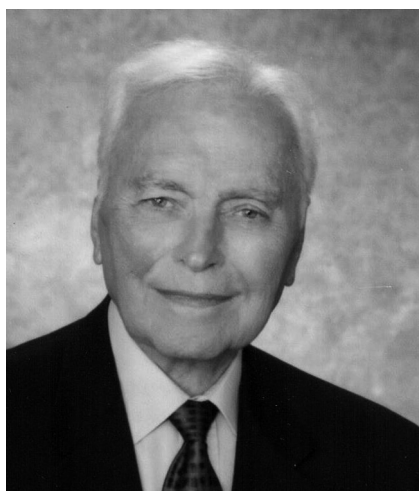
In recognition of his monumental contributions to the field of perinatal biology and for his global influence that has transformed his discipline and enhanced the international reputation of this institution, Loma Linda University Health names Dr. Gordon Power recipient of the *Distinguished Investigator Award*. This award will be presented to Dr. Power at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Medicine.

Ann M. Gimbel



*RN Mount Royal University 1977
B.Sc. Atlantic Union College 1978
M.P.H. Loma Linda University PH 1978*

Hervey W. Gimbel



*B.A. Walla Walla College (now Walla Walla University) 1950
M.D. College of Medical Evangelists (now Loma Linda University [LLU]) 1955
M.P.H. Loma Linda University PH 1968*

*Honored Alumnus, School of Medicine, Loma Linda University 2005
China Tobacco Control Award, Chinese Association of Smoking and Health 2000*

From a very young age, Ann Matterand wanted to serve as a missionary nurse to China. In preparation for her chosen life work, she enrolled in Walla Walla College to complete her nursing program prerequisites. While there, she met Canadian-born Hervey Gimbel, a senior pre-med student. The couple married in December 1951 while he was completing his studies at the College of Medical Evangelists (CME, now Loma Linda University [LLU]).

Hervey Gimbel was imbued early with a zeal for medical practice-based missionary endeavors—a passion he absorbed from godly CME professors. After graduating from CME and completing a residency, Dr. Gimbel returned to Canada—his chosen mission field—where for twenty-five years he practiced whole person care, with a strong emphasis on introducing his patients to Jesus Christ, the Great Healer.

It had been Ann's intention to earn her nursing degree at Loma Linda while her husband was completing his medical studies. However, this goal was placed on hold; and she subsequently chose to rear her growing family as a stay-at-home mom. Her children's childhood and youth were busy years as the mother of five led out in her church's child evangelism program, produced and led out in a camp meeting children's television program, and worked in public relations in the Adventist-operated health education center in Calgary. But Dr. and Mrs. Gimbel never forgot her dream; and twenty years later with her husband's encouragement, Ann Gimbel earned a bachelor's degree in health science and an M.P.H. degree. As medical affairs secretary for first the province of Alberta and then the Canadian Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Dr. Gimbel traveled frequently in Canada and the U.S., speaking to physician groups and others of the strategies he found useful in his style of practice.

In 1982, Dr. Gimbel accepted an invitation to join the faculty of Loma Linda University School of Medicine. Later, he was board certified in preventive medicine and public health and pursued further studies in occupational medicine at the University of California-Irvine. Mrs. Gimbel accepted a position with Kaiser Permanente as a nurse clinician in the Preventive Medicine Department. There she worked for nearly fifteen years under Dr. Eric Ngo, the department's medical director. While at Kaiser, she developed a program called "Stay Healthy, Stay Off Drugs"—a tour that local school districts used to replace hospital tours.

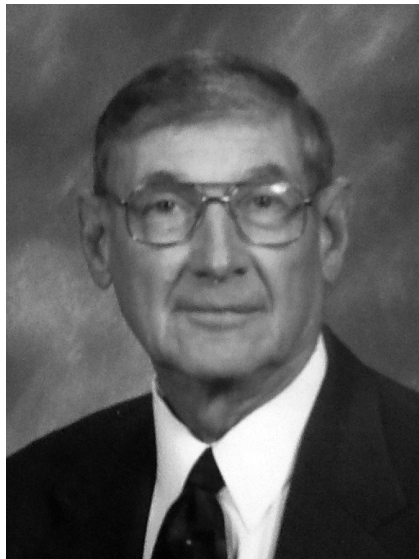
In what they describe as a God-directed encounter, Dr. and Mrs. Gimbel were introduced to Dr. Ben Tian from the Chinese Ministry of Health. Dr. Tian visited with the Gimbels in their home; and after returning to China at the close of his year in Loma Linda, he sent three invitations to Mrs. Gimbel to come and conduct health education workshops in his country. When invitations were also extended to Drs. Gimbel and J. Wayne McFarland, the three health educators accepted.

Mrs. Gimbel and her team of educators went to China on sixteen occasions, teaching ways to interactively engage children in healthy behaviors. She also taught diabetes instructors to include their clients as active participants in their own care. She considers that these opportunities to serve in China have been "a call by God to minister in creative and unique ways to the needs of people who have had little contact with foreign Christians."

Since his first trip to the Middle Kingdom where he spoke in Beijing at the annual meeting of the Chinese Association of Smoking and Health, Dr. Gimbel has returned for two-to-three weeks almost annually for twenty-five years, responding to invitations from educational and medical institutions in many cities to train trainers in health development and health maintenance strategies. His primary goal is to have a large percentage of nonsmoking physicians and medical students in this nation of heavy tobacco consumption. Three medical universities have already succeeded in reducing the smoking rate of their male medical students from more than 30 percent to about 5 percent. A major impetus for this change was a request from a Chinese official, negotiated by Dr. Gimbel with Loma Linda University School of Public Health, to conduct a series of training programs for Chinese public health physicians.

For exemplary, outstanding Christian service that has impacted the international community, Loma Linda University Health honors Dr. Hervey and Mrs. Ann Gimbel with the *Global Service Award*. This award will be presented to them at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Public Health.

Donald Pursley



Emeritus Executive Vice President for
Finance and Administration/ Chief
Financial Officer for LLUAHSC (now
LLUH)

B.S.Ed. Chadron State Teachers College 1959
M.S. Georgia Institute of Technology 1973
Ph.D. George Washington University 1978

*United States Air Force honors— including
the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit, the
Meritorious Service Medal, and seven air
medals*

Dr. Donald Pursley is an experienced health-care administrator who has given finance presentations in the countries of China, Côte d'Ivoire, Honduras, India, Nigeria, South Africa, the United States, and Zambia.

Dr. Pursley spent twenty-three years in the United States Air Force as an aircraft pilot and as a faculty member and administrator at the United States Air Force Academy. He retired as a colonel.

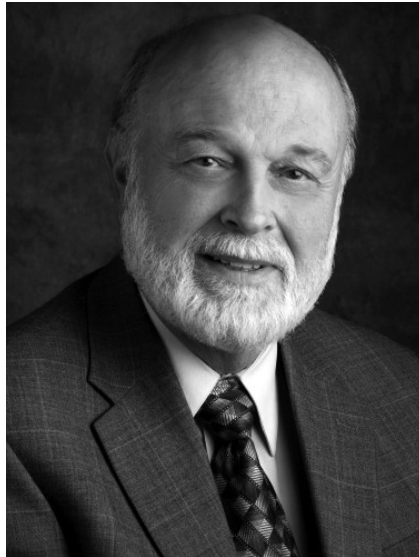
Upon retirement from the United States Air Force, Dr. Pursley was appointed chair of the Division of Business and vice president for finance at Union College in Nebraska. He also served as president of Union Housing, Inc.; and as treasurer for the Midwest Foundation for Higher Education.

In 1990, Dr. Pursley became vice president for finance at Loma Linda University. He spent fourteen years in this health sciences community, where he served as chief financial officer for Loma Linda University Medical Center, Loma Linda University Health Care, Faculty Physicians and Surgeons, Faculty Medical Group, Behavioral Medicine Center, and Loma Linda University Adventist Health Sciences Center (LLUAHSC, now LLUH). He also served as an associate professor of health administration in the School of Public Health.

Dr. Pursley currently serves as chair of the Board of Trustees for Antillean Adventist Hospital in Curacao, Davis Memorial Hospital in Guyana, and Adventist Health International (AHI). He also serves as a member of the board for The Community Hospital in Trinidad. He previously chaired the board of a multiple hospital and clinic system in Malawi and served on the board of a hospital in Zambia.

In recognition of his indelible contributions towards improved institutional financial practices and performance both in the local and global communities; and for unselfishly sharing his expertise that has enhanced our mission—"To continue the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ"—Loma Linda University Health honors Dr. Donald Pursley as recipient of the *Global Service Award*. This award will be presented to him at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Public Health.

Richard H. Hart



President, Loma Linda University Health (LLUH)—Loma Linda University and Loma Linda University Medical Center and its affiliates

B.A. Walla Walla College (now Walla Walla University) 1966

M.D., M.P.H. Loma Linda University SM, PH 1970

Dr.P.H. Johns Hopkins University 1977
Board certified in preventive medicine

Alumnus of the Year, School of Medicine, Loma Linda University 2012

Loma Linda University Alumnus of the Year 1999

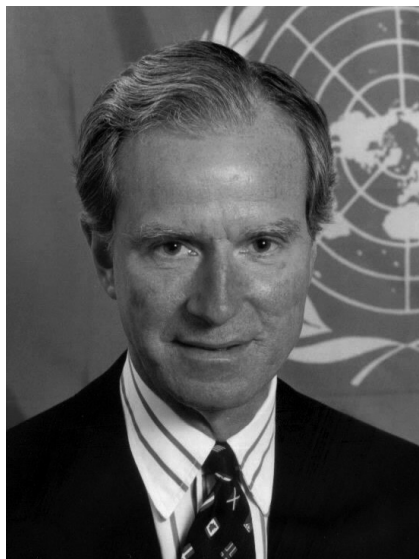
Dr. Richard H. Hart currently serves as president of Loma Linda University Health (LLUH)—the umbrella corporation that includes the enterprise’s academic, health-care, and research organizations. His career in this health sciences community has included University chancellor and CEO; as well as faculty member and administrator in the Schools of Public Health and Medicine and in the Center for Health Promotion.

Under Dr. Hart’s able and visionary leadership, Loma Linda University Health has undergone an evolution characterized by achievements and progress that continue to strengthen the quality and integrity of this community’s foundational teaching and research activities. Skillfully balancing enterprise-wide priorities, he has helped position LLUH to respond effectively—through Vision 2020—to the opportunities and challenges of the twenty-first century.

In alignment with his vision of corporate commitment to making a difference, Dr. Hart has worked to expand the influence and impact of LLUH not only locally and nationally, but also globally. Outreach efforts include Students for International Mission Service (SIMS); Social Action Community Health System (SACHS); Adventist Health International (AHI); and the soon-to-be-opened San Manuel Gateway College. This passion for service at home and abroad was sparked more than four decades ago when Dr. Hart was privileged to become the first student missionary from the Seventh-day Adventist Church to serve outside North America. He takes personal pride in the compassion and caring for which LLUH is known and admired worldwide; and he is particularly gratified by the spirit and dedication of LLUH faculty, students, administrators, staff, health-care providers, and researchers whose unique and monumental contributions reflect lives of real service.

For his committed, visionary leadership translated into service opportunities that have earned global respect and admiration for this health sciences community and that significantly continue to impact our surrounding communities, Loma Linda University Health honors Dr. Richard H. Hart with the *Community Engagement Award*. This award will be presented at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Public Health.

Joseph Verner Reed, Jr.



Former American ambassador and retired
United Nations diplomat

Yale University 1961

The Yale Medal, Yale University

Legion of Honour of France

Decorations from Italy, Spain, Egypt, Jordan,

*Central and South America, and numerous
African countries*

Several honorary doctorates

Joseph Verner Reed Jr. was born in New York City. After graduating from Deerfield Academy in Massachusetts and completing his studies at Yale University in Connecticut, Mr. Reed joined the World Bank as private secretary to the president. From 1963 to 1981, he served as vice president and assistant to the chair of The Chase Manhattan Bank, Mr. David Rockefeller.

In 1981, Mr. Reed was appointed by President Ronald Reagan to serve as United States ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco; and in 1985, President Reagan appointed him to represent the United States to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (UN) as deputy permanent representative at the United States Mission. Ambassador Reed was appointed UN under-secretary-general for political and General Assembly affairs in 1987. President George H. W. Bush selected him to serve as White House chief of protocol in 1989, a position that he held until late 1991.

In 1992, then secretary-general of the UN, Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, appointed Ambassador Reed to serve the organization as under-secretary-general and as special representative for public affairs. This assignment concluded in February 1997. The following June, Dr. Boutros-Ghali's successor, Mr. Kofi A. Annan, reappointed Ambassador Reed as under-secretary-general and as president of the Staff-Management Coordination Committee (SMCC), the highest internal body of the world organization. Ambassador Reed remained in this position for twelve years, concluding his assignment in December 2004.

In January 2005, Secretary-General Annan appointed Ambassador Reed to serve as under-secretary-general and special adviser. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon renewed this appointment in February 2009.

Ambassador Reed continues to serve the United Nations.

In recognition of the significant part that his diplomatic skills have played in serving our nation and its citizens, in shaping our national history, and in determining our nation's role in the world, Loma Linda University Health is pleased to present to Ambassador Joseph Verner Reed, Jr., the *Distinguished Service Award*. This award will be presented to Ambassador Reed at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Medicine.

J. Lamont Murdoch



Professor, Department of Medicine, School of Medicine, Loma Linda University
Supervisor, Endocrinology Clinics at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center and Riverside University Medical Center

B.S. Columbia Union College (now Washington Adventist University) 1959
M.D. Loma Linda University SM 1963
Fellow, American College of Physicians and American College of Endocrinology

Distinguished Service Award, School of Medicine, Loma Linda University 2011
Walter E. Macpherson Society, Teacher of the Year Award
Outstanding Teacher, multiple

Dr. J. Lamont Murdoch was born in Watford, England, where his father was on staff at Newbold College. At 8 years of age, he relocated with his family to Avondale College in Cooranbong, NSW, Australia. During his teen years, the family relocated once more to the United States.

After graduating from Loma Linda University School of Medicine and completing a one-year rotating internship at White Memorial Hospital (now Medical Center), Dr. Murdoch was invited by Dr. Varner Johns, then chief of internal medicine at Loma Linda University Medical Center, to become one of the first two residents in the new internal medicine residency program. In 1967, he became the first chief resident in internal medicine in the new medical center. His residency and a one-year fellowship in endocrinology were followed by an eighteen-month fellowship in genetic diseases at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland.

During his fellowship at Johns Hopkins, Dr. Murdoch studied a number of genetic disorders in depth and used this information to complete extensive review articles after he returned to Loma Linda University. His articles on Marfan syndrome and achondroplasia are still listed on the NIH website for genetic disease research—Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man (OMIM).

Dr. Murdoch returned to Loma Linda University in 1969 to join the School of Medicine's Division of Endocrinology in the Department of Medicine. He served as chief of this division from 1977 to 2013. He currently supervises the endocrinology clinics at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center and at Riverside University Medical Center in Moreno Valley.

Although Dr. Murdoch has been extensively involved in research and patient care, his true passion is medical student education. From 1974 to 1977, he was coordinator of the junior student internal medicine clerkship; and he coordinated the senior student internal medicine clerkship from 1975 to 1995. He has also coordinated the endocrinology teaching program at Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona; and the biomedical teaching program at University of California, Riverside.

Following the untimely death of his wife, Judy, in 1981, Dr. Murdoch married Rebecca Eller, a member of the Loma Linda University School of Nursing faculty. They enjoy spending time with their five children and four grandchildren.

For his more than four decades of outstanding service and for his legacy and significant contributions to the field of endocrinology, Loma Linda University recognizes Dr. J. Lamont Murdoch as a distinguished graduate. The title *University Alumnus* will be conferred on him at the conferring of Degrees for the School of Medicine.

W. William Hughes



Immediate Past Dean, School of Pharmacy,
Loma Linda University

*B.A., Ph.D. Loma Linda University AS, GS
1973, 1978*

M.A. Pacific Union College 1974

*Numerous recognitions for teaching excellence
and innovation, with awards from Loma
Linda University, University of California-
Riverside Extension, Chaffey Community
College, and San Bernardino Valley College*

Dr. W. William (“Billy”) Hughes, who began his journey at Loma Linda University (LLU) in 1968 flipping veggieburgers in the newly built medical center, retired as dean of the School of Pharmacy in January 2016. Under his leadership, the school grew from 34 to 598 alumni; 209 to 331 student pharmacists; and 2 to 17 pharmacy residents.

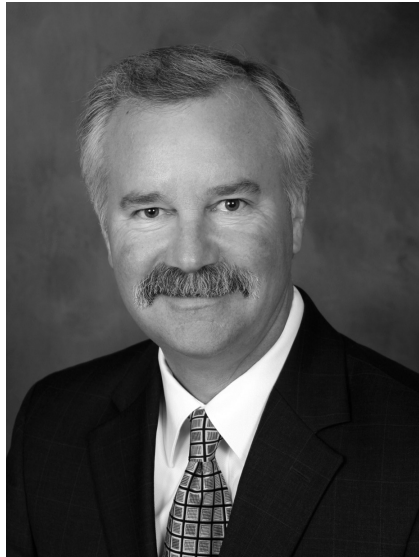
During the quarter of a century since his professional career brought him back to LLU, Dr. Hughes helped integrate technology into education—acquiring, deploying, and discovering mission-supportive uses for telehealth technologies. In 1993, he built the first “smart” lecture podium, consisting of an old desk to which he added wheels, a small CRT monitor, his own video camera, a sound system, and a VCR—all linked to a “dinosaur” LCD projector with a fraction of the lumens and pixels now available. Off-campus students as far away as Alaska received his lectures via VHS tapes shipped overnight for next-day viewing. Through his initiative, a donation to the University in 1994 funded the purchase of equipment that facilitated two-way videoconference courses and degree programs with other Adventist and public colleges. Later, as director of Educational Support Services, Dr. Hughes helped extend the University’s worldwide reach via the Internet. Grad-cast, Chapel-cast, Global Gateway technology in the Centennial Complex, and even the jumbotrons in use during today’s commencement are reminders of his passion for assimilating technology into the fabric of academe.

In addition to contributions to this academic community as innovator, administrator, teacher, and researcher, Dr. Hughes has also served on significant committees that guide institutional and academic policymaking. His generous insights and expertise helped ensure that University programs and policies remained accreditation-compliant; and that assessment and refinement processes more effectively served the University’s diverse constituents.

Dr. Hughes and his wife, Marilyn, now reside at Dragonfly Ranch where their days are consumed with tractor work and log splitting—balanced by enjoying the beauty and majesty of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, Spanish Peaks, and Raton Mesa; and by watching deer, elk, bears, and birds. He also makes time for university accreditation reviews and site visits.

For his outstanding, innovative leadership and significant contributions to this institution’s academic program, Loma Linda University is pleased to honor Dr. W. William Hughes with the *Distinguished University Service Award* at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Pharmacy.

Mark L. Hubbard



Senior Vice President for Risk Management
and Human Resource Management,
Loma Linda University Health

*B.S. Pacific Union College
Drucker Business School, The Claremont Colleges*

*Business Insurance Risk Management Honor
Roll 1998*

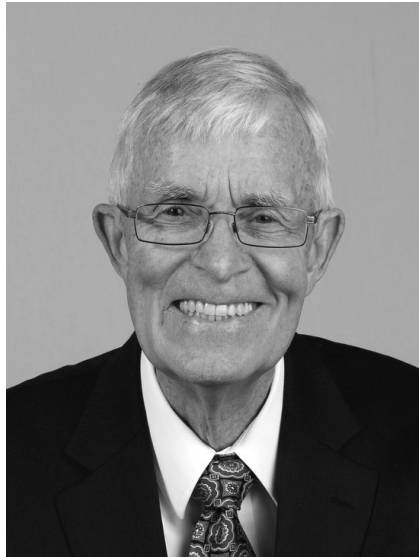
Mr. Mark L. Hubbard joined the Loma Linda organizations in 1985 and has served as a corporate officer at Loma Linda University Health (LLUH) for more than twenty-six years. He is currently a senior vice president at LLUH and an executive vice president for Loma Linda University Shared Services. In these roles, he has enterprise-wide responsibility for human resource management, risk management, and safety. In addition, he is responsible for a number of other corporate functions, including payroll and the Employee and Student Assistance Programs. He is also founding president and CEO of The University Insurance Company of Vermont, a single-parent captive insurance company established by LLUH in 1987.

Mr. Hubbard is a member and past president of the Southern California Association of Healthcare Risk Managers. He has served on the board for the University Risk and Insurance Association and on various board committees for the Risk and Insurance Management Society. From 1993 to 2013, he served on the board of directors for the Medmarc Insurance Group, a products liability insurer for the medical device industry. He also served on the board for Automated Health System Laundry and, since 2013, on the board of directors for EPIC Health Plan.

Mr. Hubbard is a member of several professional and community service organizations, where he has also served as an officer and a board member. He was both member and chair of the board for Redlands Adventist Academy and for Loma Linda Children's Center. For a number of years, he also served on the board for the East Valley United Way. Most recently, he was invited to become a member of the Redlands Symphony board.

In recognition of his exemplary and committed service that has advanced our mission "to continue the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ," Loma Linda University is pleased to honor Mr. Mark L. Hubbard with the *Distinguished University Service Award* at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Dentistry.

William G. Johnsson



Founding Editor, *Adventist World*
Past Executive Publisher, *Adventist Review*

B.C.T. Adelaide University 1954
B.A. Avondale College 1959
M.A. Andrews University 1966
B.D. London University 1969
Ph.D. Vanderbilt University 1973

Charles E. Weniger Award for Excellence 2015
D.D. Andrews University 2007
Inaugural President, Adventist Society for Religious Studies 1979

Dr. William George Johnsson was born in Adelaide, Australia. After earning a Bachelor of Chemical Technology degree from Adelaide University, he began his career in chemistry. Later responding to an inner call to ministry, he enrolled in Avondale College, where he subsequently earned a bachelor's degree in theology. Immediately after graduation, he married Noeline Taylor; and they accepted a call to mission service in India.

The Johnssons served the Seventh-day Adventist Church in India for fifteen years—first at Vincent Hill School as dean of boys and Bible teacher, then at Spicer College (now Spicer University). While in India, Dr. Johnsson earned a master's degree in theology from Andrews University; a bachelor's degree in divinity from London University; and a doctoral degree in biblical studies from Vanderbilt University.

At Spicer College, Dr. Johnsson was appointed professor of New Testament Studies and dean of the School of Theology. In 1975, the Johnssons relocated to Andrews University where he became professor of New Testament theology and exegesis and associate dean of the seminary. In 1980, he was called to the General Conference to join the staff of the *Adventist Review*. After serving as associate editor for two years, he became editor-in-chief and subsequently was appointed executive publisher. In 2005 he became the founding editor of *Adventist World*. After retiring from the *Review* in 2007, Dr. Johnsson accepted the position of assistant for interfaith relations, serving under General Conference president, Jan Paulsen.

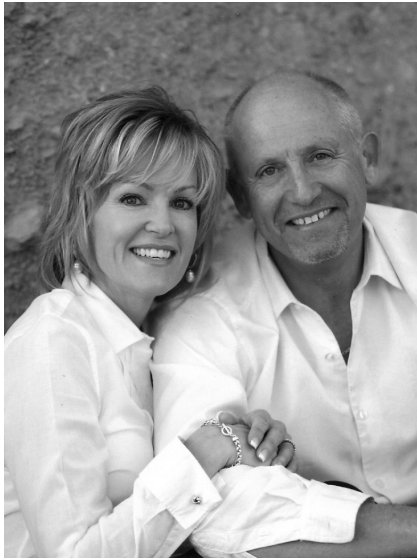
A prolific author, Dr. Johnsson has published twenty-seven books and more than 1,000 articles.

Dr. and Mrs. Johnsson are the parents of two adult children, Terence and Julie; and they have two granddaughters.

In 2014, Dr. and Mrs. Johnsson moved to Loma Linda, where he enjoys walking, gardening, and writing. He teaches occasionally in the School of Religion.

For his significant contributions toward advancing our mission through various communication media, Loma Linda University awards Dr. William G. Johnsson the honorary *Doctor of Humane Letters* degree. This degree will be awarded at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Behavioral Health and the School of Religion.

Steve and Cathy Kienle



Established “Champions for Children”
program at Loma Linda University
Children’s Hospital

Steve and Cathy Kienle are committed to giving back to their community and are true champions for children. Giving generously of their time, Cathy volunteers with nonprofits—including the American Heart Association, Parkview Hospital, the Sharon Roberts Cancer Foundation, and Riverside Community Hospital; and they sponsor numerous charity events throughout the region.

The Kienles were enthusiastic in their commitment to host an annual event benefiting Loma Linda University Children’s Hospital (LLUCH), the Walter’s Children’s Charity Classic. During the past two decades, the charity classic has donated nearly \$4 million to LLUCH, supporting a broad spectrum of critical areas. The charity classic served as inspiration for creation of the Champions for Children program; and Steve and Cathy Kienle were the hospital’s first “champions.” Because of their passion, the program has grown substantially over the years, raising more than \$12 million for LLUCH.

In addition to their already demonstrated support, the Kienles have generously committed funding to Vision 2020, specifically for the Children’s Hospital.

When asked about their longstanding commitment to helping the region’s children through their support of LLUCH, Mrs. Kienle says: “It’s inspiring to see the passion that the doctors, nurses, and staff at Children’s Hospital show for their young patients . . . a passion to serve and help, which is contagious.” Mr. Kienle points out that Inland Empire individuals and businesses provide sponsorships that make the Walter’s Children’s Charity Classic a reality: “If it wasn’t for these generous sponsors, we couldn’t do it. It’s awesome to see the community come together to fulfill a mission of helping and healing children.”

In recognition of exemplary service and philanthropy, and for inspiring and challenging others to model our mission, Loma Linda University Health honors Steve and Cathy Kienle with the *Distinguished Humanitarian Award*. This award will be presented at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Medicine.

Stater Bros. Charities and Stater Bros. Markets



During the past decade, Stater Bros. Charities and Stater Bros. Markets have donated nearly \$4.6 million to support the entities of Loma Linda University Health. In addition, more than \$150,000 worth of in-kind items have provided hope and healing to the thousands of children treated at Loma Linda University Children's Hospital (LLUCH). Stater Bros. has also recently committed \$1 million to Vision 2020, specifically for the Children's Hospital. Examples of Stater Bros. Charities' and Stater Bros. Markets' support of LLUCH include:

Specialty team center lobby renovation that created a space designed to stimulate the senses and provide an antidote to loneliness and the tedium experienced by young patients undergoing treatment;

Activity center, a bright, cheerful movie theater-themed room that brings the magic of movies to hospital-bound children;

Fun center mobile entertainment units containing a Sharp AQUOS™ LCD television, DVD player, and Nintendo Wii™ gaming system;

Loma Linda University Cancer Center, more than \$1.5 million funded from the annual Stater Bros. Charities & Inland Women Fighting Cancer Believe Walk since 2008. Funds are used for programs and services to support cancer patients in the local community;

LLUCH gala corporate sponsor;

Big Hearts for Little Hearts Guild partner that has supported hospital programs and projects since 2003;

K-Frogers for Kids Radiothon, a partnership with KFRG radio stations that has raised more than \$5.3 million since 2003;

KOLA Cares for Kids Radiothon presenting sponsor since 2008, helping raise more than \$160,000 for the pediatric transport team;

Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Unit—50 sleeper chairs funded for the various hospital units.

For their magnanimous gifts that have supported this institution's priorities and for promoting our mission—"To continue the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ"—Loma Linda University Health honors Stater Bros. Charities and Stater Bros. Markets with the *Distinguished Humanitarian Award*. This award will be presented at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Medicine.

The School Honorees

George D. Chonkich



Associate Professor, Department of
Otolaryngology and Head and Neck
Surgery, School of Medicine, Loma Linda
University

B.A. Atlantic Union College 1956
M.D. College of Medical Evangelists (CME,
now Loma Linda University) 1960

Certified by the American Board of
Otolaryngology
Fellow, American Society for Head and Neck
Surgery, American Academy of Facial
Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, and
American Academy of Ophthalmology and
Otolaryngology

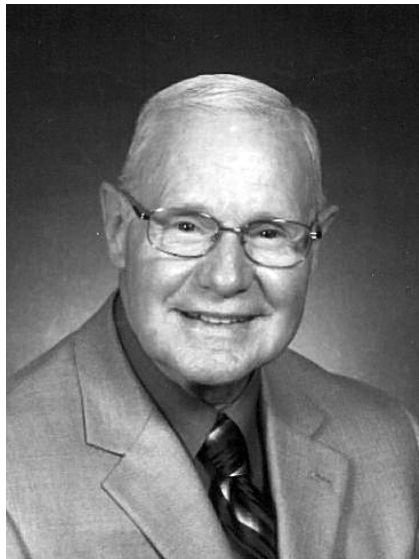
A native of Brooklyn, New York, George D. Chonkich attended Greater New York Academy and then Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster, Massachusetts. Graduation from the College of Medical Evangelists (CME, now Loma Linda University [LLU]) was followed by two years of surgical residency and then two years of military service in the U.S. Army. In 1967, he completed a residency in otolaryngology at New York University's (NYU) Bellevue Hospital Center and joined the otolaryngology faculty at NYU School of Medicine. Concurrently, he maintained a private practice with another CME graduate, Dr. George Petti. Dr. Chonkich married George Petti's little sister, Nannette; and together they reared three children—Carolyn, George, and Daniel.

In 1977, Dr. Chonkich joined the faculty of LLU and in collaboration with Drs. Petti and Robert Rowe helped establish an otolaryngology residency on the Loma Linda campus. He was residency program director from 1990 to 2003, and also served as president of the medical center's medical staff and of the Walter E. Macpherson Society. He is grateful to have helped train ninety otolaryngology/head and neck surgery residents during the past forty years and to have provided health care, especially to those with head and neck cancer.

Dr. Chonkich has been professionally active in the American Society of Head and Neck Surgery, the Society of University Otolaryngologists, and the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head Neck Surgery. Currently he practices otolaryngology as service chief at the Jerry L. Pettis VA Hospital and chairs the LLUMC Head and Neck Tumor Board.

In recognition of his co-founding of the Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery Residency Program and for his commitment to quality medical education and patient care, the School of Medicine names Dr. George D. Chonkich recipient of the *School Distinguished Service Award*. This award will be presented to him at the Conferring of Degrees for the school.

George H. Petti, Jr.



Professor, Department of Otolaryngology
and Head and Neck Surgery, School of
Medicine, Loma Linda University

B.A. Atlantic Union College 1957

M.D. Loma Linda University SM 1962

*Certified by the American Board of
Otolaryngology*

Fellow of the American College of Surgeons

Born in the Bronx, New York, George H. Petti, Jr., graduated from Atlantic Union College before continuing his education at the College of Medical Evangelists (CME, now Loma Linda University [LLU]). After interning at Upstate Medical Center of Syracuse University, New York, he was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1963. Eventually stationed at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, he was assigned to general surgery and ENT.

After his discharge from the military in 1965, Dr. Petti completed another year of general surgery at Albert Einstein University Medical Center in the Bronx. An ENT residency at the Manhattan Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital (MEETH) was followed by a fellowship in head and neck oncologic and reconstructive surgery at Columbia University and St. Vincent's Hospital in New York City. In 1970, he joined his father and his brother-in-law, Dr. George Chonkich, in private practice in Yonkers.

Dr. Petti, along with fellow classmate Robert Rowe, joined the faculty of Loma Linda University in 1976 in the practice of head and neck surgery, with the opportunity to start a residency program. In 1977, Dr. George Chonkich joined them. For more than thirty years, Loma Linda University has offered a training program fully accredited by the AMA Graduate Medical Education Committee and the American Board of Otolaryngology. Ninety residents have been certified in otolaryngology/head and neck surgery.

On June 26, 1955, Dr. Petti married Beatrice Hubner, the love of his life, whom he met in seventh grade and for whom he continues to apprentice as "go-for guy, awaiting certification." Active members of the Redlands S.D.A. Church, they thank God for His grace and patience in their lives.

In recognition of his co-founding of the Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery Residency Program and for his commitment to quality medical education and patient care, the School of Medicine names Dr. George H. Petti, Jr., recipient of the *School Distinguished Service Award*. This award will be presented to him at the Conferring of Degrees for the school.

Robert P. Rowe



Emeritus Associate Professor, Department
of Surgery, School of Medicine, Loma
Linda University

B.A. Pacific Union College 1958

M.D. Loma Linda University SM 1962

*Emeritus Associate Professor of Surgery (Head
and Neck)*

Robert P. Rowe was born in San Jose, California. After completing studies at Mountain View Academy and Pacific Union College, he enrolled in the College of Medical Evangelists (CME) as a member of the Class of 1962—the first class to graduate from Loma Linda University (LLU) when CME’s name was changed in the summer of 1961.

During a rotating internship, Dr. Rowe developed a strong interest in otolaryngology and completed a residency program in this area. Subsequently drafted into the U.S. Army, he was assigned to Fort Stewart in Georgia as the installation’s otolaryngologist. While there, he was contacted by Dr. David B. Hinshaw, Sr., dean of the School of Medicine (SM), who asked if he would consider teaching otolaryngology at LLU.

Soon after his return to LLU in 1969, Dr. Rowe recognized the need for a residency program in otolaryngology. He sensed God’s leading when a “chance” meeting in Dallas, Texas, several years later reconnected him with a former classmate, Dr. George Petti, Jr.; and Dr. Petti’s partner in private practice, Dr. George Chonkich. Dr. Hinshaw offered Drs. Petti and Chonkich appointments in LLUSM, and they accepted.

Dr. Petti arrived in 1976 with information that would help expedite the residency approval process; Dr. Chonkich followed in 1977. A residency program site was selected and approved, the first resident training was completed in June 1981, and full national approval of the program soon followed. The program and faculty grew over the years; and when Dr. Rowe retired in 2001, all residents had passed the board examination on the first try.

Dr. Rowe now enjoys the beauties of Washington, where he lives with his wife, Dawn, whom he married during his otolaryngology residency.

In recognition of his co-founding of the Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery Residency Program and for his commitment to quality medical education and patient care, the School of Medicine names Dr. Robert P. Rowe recipient of the *School Distinguished Service Award*. This award will be presented to him at the Conferring of Degrees for the school.

Caroline Nguyen



B.S. University of California, Irvine 2006
Pharm.D. Loma Linda University SP 2011

Dr. Carolyn Nguyen completed a PGY-1 acute care residency at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx, New York. As part of her longitudinal project there, she performed a cost-benefit analysis to justify employing a pharmacist in the hospital's emergency department (ED), one of the top five busiest in the nation. She completed a PGY-2 residency in leadership and management under Dr. Rita Shane at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles .

At Cedars-Sinai, Dr. Nguyen was involved in several high-profile initiatives. Most notably, she justified the role of a pharmacist on the Enhanced Care Program, a postdischarge, multidisciplinary team—thus ensuring that patients discharged to local skilled nursing facilities were endorsed with the correct prescriptions. This program significantly reduced hospital readmissions.

Postresidency, Dr. Nguyen created the pharmacy ED medication reconciliation program after learning there were approximately seven errors per medication list for every admitted patient. The findings of a related randomized control trial that she conducted in collaboration with a physician have been submitted for publication. In just two years, the reconciliation team has more than tripled due to the success of the program. Both the Enhanced Care Program and the ED medication reconciliation program have been nationally recognized by a number of entities, including the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, the Society of General Internal Medicine, the *American Journal of Hospital Pharmacists*, and the *Journal of Hospital Medicine*. Dr. Nguyen currently staffs both programs at Cedars-Sinai, conducts research, and serves as a student preceptor.

Dr. Nguyen's commitment to improving patient care and hospital practices and her exemplary reputation have focused attention on Loma Linda University School of Pharmacy (LLUSP) and the quality of its program, paving the way for future school graduates to gain residencies and employment at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. In recognition of this outstanding contribution, Dr. Caroline Nguyen is named *School Alumna of the Year*. This title will be conferred on her at the Conferring of Degrees for the school.

Nancy Kawahara



Associate Dean for Assessment and
Professional Affairs
Associate Professor, Department of
Professional Practice
School of Pharmacy, Loma Linda
University

*Pharm.D. School of Pharmacy, University of
Southern California 1982*
*Fellowship certificate, University of Southern
California*
*M.S.Ed. School of Medicine, University of
Southern California 1986*

Dr. Nancy Kawahara joined the faculty of Loma Linda University School of Pharmacy (LLUSP) in 2002—just two years after the school was established—and is now its longest serving member. Having served the school in a variety of capacities during the past thirteen years, she has witnessed tremendous growth and has introduced important changes. A veteran pharmacist and lecturer, she offers a wealth of practical wisdom to both students and administrators.

Prior to joining the faculty of LLUSP, Dr. Kawahara taught at the University of Southern California, the University of Illinois at Chicago, and Western University of Health Sciences. Recognizing her expertise, members of the newly established School of Pharmacy positioned her as the first chair of the Department of Pharmacy Practice. She also became the first chair of the Curriculum Committee and developed early practice sites for students.

Over the years, Dr. Kawahara has served on numerous school and University committees and has either taught or coordinated eight different courses. She has advised dozens of students in several organizations and has connected them to such community outreach programs as Morning Hope Breakfast for the homeless and Redlands Market Night. In addition, she initiated a School of Pharmacy outreach program in partnership with Camp Conrad Chinnock, a camp serving youth living with type-1 diabetes. For the past nine years, she has served as associate dean for assessment and professional affairs, developing learning outcomes and collecting and analyzing data—all for the sake of enhancing students' pharmacy education.

In recognition of her commitment to our students and her exemplary service to this institution and community of scholars, the School of Pharmacy is honored to name Dr. Nancy Kawahara recipient of the *School Distinguished Service Award*. This award will be presented to her at the Conferring of Degrees for the school.

James Pinder



Assistant Professor, Department of
Pharmaceutical and Administrative
Sciences, School of Pharmacy, Loma
Linda University

*B.A. Walla Walla College (now Walla Walla
University) 1996*

M.B.A. National University 2004

J.D. William Howard Taft University 2008

Mr. James Pinder was born in Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada. He joined the School of Pharmacy in 2007 as the inaugural director of development and alumni affairs. In 2009, he was appointed an assistant professor.

Mr. Pinder has been published in *California Pharmacist*, *Christianity & Pharmacy*, and *California Journal of Health-System Pharmacists*. This year the textbook *Pharmacy Practice and Tort Law*, which he co-authored with Dr. Fred Weissman (University of Southern California), was published. He has taught Pharmacy Law since 2009 and an elective course, Advanced Pharmacy Law, since 2014.

In 2007, Mr. Pinder joined the Rotary Club of Redlands. Rotary International, whose motto is "Service Above Self," was founded in 1905; and this organization has led the fight against polio since 1986. In 2009, Mr. Pinder joined Rotarians from across North America in Benin, West Africa, where they vaccinated children in several villages against polio. As he became more involved in the Rotary Club of Redlands, he served on its Board of Directors and eventually as its president in 2013-2014. Under his leadership, the club grew from 94 to 105 members—making it the largest club in Riverside and San Bernardino counties. In addition, they donated more than \$30,000 in scholarships to local students. After serving as president, Mr. Pinder became an assistant governor, responsible for three area Rotary Clubs. He continues now as a member, helping to raise money for polio eradication.

Mr. Pinder and his wife, Jennifer, are the proud parents of one daughter—Jorja. In his free time, Mr. Pinder enjoys cycling, exploring Alaska and the Caribbean, swimming, and snorkeling.

It is for his enduring commitment to community service "to continue the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ" that the School of Pharmacy is honored to name Mr. James Pinder the second recipient of the school's *Community Service Award*. This award will be presented to him at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Pharmacy.

Joseph M. Caruso



Associate Dean for Strategic Initiatives and
Faculty Practices
Director, Advanced Education Program
in Orthodontics and Dentofacial
Orthopedics
Chair and Professor, Department of
Orthodontics
School of Dentistry, Loma Linda University

Member, Faculty of Graduate Studies,
Loma Linda University

B.S. Loma Linda University 1968
D.D.S. Loma Linda University SD 1973
M.P.H., M.S. Loma Linda University PH, GS
1975
Diplomate, American Board of Orthodontics
Fellow, American College of Dentists and of the
International College of Dentists

Daniel M. Laskin Award from the Oral
Maxillofacial Surgery Foundation in 2013 in
recognition of his publication, "Recombinant
Human Bone Morphogenetic Protein 2
Combines with an Osteoconductive Bulking
Agent for Mandibular Continuity Defects in
Nonhuman Primates," which was designated
Best Article of the Year

Dr. Joseph M. Caruso joined Loma Linda University School of Dentistry (LLUSD) in 1978 while concurrently serving part time on the faculty of the University of Southern California and maintaining a successful private practice in orthodontics. During his nearly four-decade career at this University, he has been active in teaching, research, and service.

Dr. Caruso's curiosity and innovative thinking began in his early childhood when, at age 7, he attempted to recharge batteries. As a graduate student, his research and invention efforts in his garage and kitchen resulted in his first patent, which significantly improved an orthodontic procedure. To date, Dr. Caruso holds eight U.S. patents.

In addition to his teaching and administrative responsibilities, Dr. Caruso has sustained his involvement in research—reviewing manuscripts for four scientific journals, lecturing worldwide at continuing education conferences, participating in more than 100 research projects, and publishing extensively in the field of orthodontics. He is a visionary planner and dental researcher. Through his persistence, Loma Linda University School of Dentistry was the first dental school in the United States to have dental computed tomography (CT), *New-Tom*.

Dr. Caruso has served as chair or member of research guidance committees for numerous graduate students, and faculty and students routinely seek out his insightful and constructive advice for research ideas and mentorship on projects. He has also served as consultant to hospitals for temporomandibular joint dysfunction, orthognathics, and cleft palate anomalies. His professional achievements have been recognized through a variety of awards and honors.

The School of Dentistry recognizes the academic and research contributions made by Dr. Joseph M. Caruso during his thirty-eight years of dedicated service. In acknowledgment of the high regard in which he is held in this community of academic dentists and researchers, Dr. Caruso will receive the *School Distinguished Research Award* at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Dentistry.

Daniel E. Tan



Professor, Division of General Dentistry,
School of Dentistry, Loma Linda
University

A.S. Southeast Asia Union College 1967
B.S. Andrews University 1969
D.D.S. Loma Linda University SD 1975

Omicron Kappa Upsilon 1993
*Teacher of the Year, School of Dentistry, Loma
Linda University 2003*

Dr. Daniel E. Tan was recruited to the faculty of Loma Linda University School of Dentistry (LLUSD) as a part-time instructor shortly after graduation from dental school. Over the years, he has modeled excellence in teaching and clinical instruction and has been a wise voice on committees and advisory bodies. He enjoys positive interactions with his students and is noted for his careful critique of their clinical work and for his personal attention to those who seek his help.

As a teacher and a clinician, Dr. Tan has exerted a strong influence on developing the school's curriculum and shaping its clinical services. He has been an active voice on the Curriculum Committee for the issues and concerns of general dentistry in clinical education.

Dr. Tan has served as director of dental auxiliary utilization (1980-1987) and as director of operative dentistry in the Department of Restorative Dentistry (2007); and he has directed numerous restorative dentistry courses. As a University commencement marshal, he also participates in the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Dentistry.

Additionally, Dr. Tan has been actively involved in numerous professional organizations—including, the Academy of Operative Dentistry, the American Academy of Dental Materials, and the National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Dentists.

Despite his extensive responsibilities, Dr. Tan has remained a committed Christian dentist who has balanced the interactions of family, church, department responsibilities, teaching, and private practice as he seeks to model the University's mission in his personal life.

In recognition of the high regard in which he is held in this community of academic dentists and practitioners, Dr. Daniel E. Tan will receive the *School Distinguished Service Award* at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Dentistry.

Kristi J. Wilkins



Chair and Associate Professor, Department
of Dental Hygiene, School of Dentistry,
Loma Linda University

A.S. Kettering College of Medical Arts 1974
B.S. Loma Linda University SD 1980
M.A. Loma Linda University GS 2002

*Dental Hygiene Alumna of the Year, School of
Dentistry, Loma Linda University 2007*
*Teacher of the Year Award for Dental Hygiene,
School of Dentistry, Loma Linda University,
2001, 2005*
*Sigma Phi Alpha, national dental hygiene honor
society 1980*

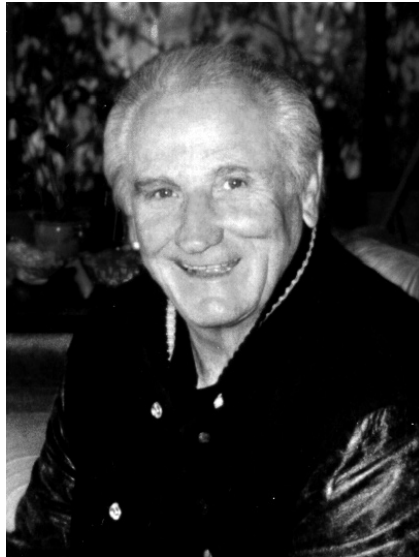
Following graduation from the dental hygiene program at Loma Linda University School of Dentistry (LLUSD), Ms. Kristi J. Wilkins worked in several dental practices until 1995 when she was recruited by LLUSD to part-time faculty service. After joining the Department of Dental Hygiene on a full-time basis in 1996, she assumed a heavy teaching load that included assignments in the classroom, preclinical laboratories, and clinics. In addition to teaching and leadership responsibilities, she was also involved in several research projects that resulted in published abstracts and journal articles.

In 2002, Ms. Wilkins was appointed chair of the Department of Dental Hygiene, the position she currently holds.

Throughout her tenure as an administrator, instructor, and colleague, Ms. Wilkins' work has extended beyond the boundaries of job description and expectations. Her devotion to her faculty, students, and the dental hygiene program has at all times been selfless and focused on the needs of people.

Because of her unwavering dedication and commitment to the programs of her *alma mater* for twenty-one years, and in recognition of her continued support and contributions, the *School Distinguished Service Award* will be presented to Ms. Kristi J. Wilkins at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Dentistry.

Edd J. Ashley



Associate Dean for Student Affairs (1990-2015) and Chair, Department of Physical Therapy (1979-2015)
School of Allied Health Professions
Loma Linda University

*B.S. School of Physical Therapy (now
Department of Physical Therapy in the
School of Allied Health Professions), Loma
Linda University 1964*
M.P.H. Loma Linda University PH 1968
Ed.D. Boston University 1971

As long-time chair of the Department of Physical Therapy and as associate dean for student affairs, Dr. Edd J. Ashley embodied the mind and spirit of a trailblazer. He was instrumental in upgrading the physical therapy program in the School of Allied Health Professions (SAHP)—the B.S. degree in physical therapy first to the master's degree, then in 1999 to the Doctor of Physical Therapy degree (the fourth program in the nation to offer this degree). The program was also expanded to include additional offerings: physical therapist assistant, progression Master of Physical Therapy, postprofessional Master and Doctor of Physical Therapy, Doctor of Science, and Doctor of Philosophy in physical therapy. In addition, he developed the Master of Orthotics and Prosthetics Program—the first of its kind in the Adventist educational system.

Dr. Ashley worked diligently to realize his dream that tuition benefits would be extended to SAHP employees' family members who attended Loma Linda University. A consistent collaborator, he also worked with the Schools of Public Health and Pharmacy to develop a system of free education services for families of employees who worked in the three schools.

Never one to shy away from challenges, Dr. Ashley was always looking for the next hill to climb, the next project to tackle, the next person to help. He encouraged others to have faith and then set out to see what could be done.

Dr. Ashley will always be remembered as a trailblazer, mentor, and friend. For his visionary leadership, unselfish service, and significant contributions to the Physical Therapy Program, the School of Allied Health Professions is honored to name Dr. Edd J. Ashley recipient of the *Trailblazer Award*. This award will be presented posthumously during the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Allied Health Professions at 10:30 a.m.

Sandra Roberts



President, Southeastern California
Conference of Seventh-day Adventists,
Riverside, California

D.Min., Claremont School of Theology 2006
M.A. Andrews University 1984
B.S. Loma Linda University AH 1980

Charles Weniger Society Award 2016
Association of Adventist Women (AAW)
Woman of the Year 2014

Dr. Sandra Roberts holds the distinction of being the first and only woman ever to be elected to the office of conference president in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. She is passionate and deeply committed to her calling, and her faith in God is resolute.

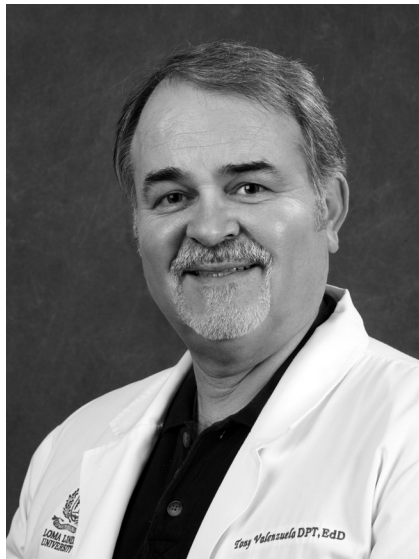
As the daughter of parents who worked for the church (including mission service), Dr. Roberts' childhood dream was to be a pastor. However, as she observed prevailing policies and practices related to women in the ministry, she concluded that her dream would never be realized. Laying aside her heart's desire, she pursued a degree in dietetics; and after becoming a registered dietitian, she worked for the Michigan Conference as an academy teacher and later in the youth department of Pacific Union Conference of SDA.

However, the persistent whispers from the "still small voice" to serve in the ministry led Dr. Roberts to complete a master's degree in religious education, which eventually redirected her career. She became more involved in pastoral-related ministry: Bible teacher at Modesto Adventist Academy; campus chaplain for K-8 at Loma Linda Academy; staff and subsequently director at Pine Springs Ranch—a campsite for the Southeastern California Conference; associate pastor at Corona S.D.A. Church; associate youth director, executive secretary (for nine years), and president of Southeastern California Conference (from 2013 to the present).

Pastor Sandy (as she is fondly referred to by many) has consistently referred to the "dusty feet" of Jesus during His ministry on earth. "Following Him," she says, "means that we are going to get our feet dirty with the dust of Southern California. We must do this without fear. . . . Christ will always be our anchor point." Her own excellent record of service, ministry, and significant contributions to the church, the community, and the world have been acknowledged on numerous occasions.

In recognition of her outstanding contributions to her field and for modelling excellent servant leadership, the School of Allied Health Professions is honored to name Dr. Sandra Roberts recipient of the *School Alumna of the Year Award*. This award will be presented during the Conferring of Degrees for the school at 8:00 a.m.

Antonio Valenzuela



Assistant Professor, Department of
Physical Therapy, School of Allied Health
Professions, Loma Linda University

*A.S., M.P.T., D.P.T. Loma Linda
University AH 1998, 2007, 2008*

*Ed.S., Ed.D. La Sierra University SE 1987,
1990*

*B.A., M.A. La Sierra University AS 1982,
1986*

*Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2003-
2004*

*Alumnus of the Year Award, Hispanic Alumni
Association of LLU (HALL) 1998*

*Award for Outstanding Leadership to Minority
Students, Association of Latin American
Students (ALAS), Loma Linda University
1993*

For more than two-and-a half decades, Dr. Antonio Valenzuela has rendered excellent service in various capacities in the School of Allied Health Professions (SAHP): director of marketing and recruitment, diversity chair, sexual harassment ombudsperson, member and president of the Faculty Council Executive Committee, chair of the physical therapy admissions committee, and member of more than a dozen significant committees.

Dr. Valenzuela has assisted in the development of physical therapy programs in Bolivia, Chile, Argentina, and Brazil; and has helped provide continuing education in some of these areas. Additionally, he has served as school liaison for groups from Japan wishing to complete short-term courses in anatomy and allied health.

As president of the Loma Linda University Hispanic Association since 2001, Dr. Valenzuela has helped raise \$530,000 for scholarships. He gives professional presentations to different audiences and is involved in a street medicine program that serves the area's homeless and medically underserved. His work with Wheels for Humanity provides wheel chairs and adaptive equipment to children in Mexico; and his annual clothing, food, and toy drive in collaboration with Loma Linda Academy helps fill a 10x12 storage container with items delivered to Mexico by his mother's Rosarito S.D.A. Church Dorcas Society.

Dr. Valenzuela's outreach beyond academic borders includes: Loma Linda University Church softball coach, Sabbath School youth leader, and elder; and chef for the Cherub Choir and the Redlands Adventist Academy band and choir tour groups.

For his excellent, exemplary service—locally and internationally—the School of Allied Health Professions is pleased to present the *School Distinguished Service Award* to Dr. Antonio Valenzuela. This award will be presented to him during the Conferring of Degrees for the school at 10:30 a.m.

Katherine Davis



Assistant Professor, Department of
Clinical Laboratory Science, School of
Allied Health Professions, Loma Linda
University

B.S. Loma Linda University AH 1973
M.S. Loma Linda University GS 2006

Dean's Award, Loma Linda University AH
2006

Ms. Katherine Davis created the first online course for the Department of Clinical Laboratory Science (CLS) in Loma Linda University's School of Allied Health Professions (SAHP) and pioneered the use of "clicker" quizzes in the school. She also developed interactive case studies and board review sessions for seniors in the program and for international participants studying for national certification.

Ms. Davis has earned recognition for a professional career that includes contributions both in the industrial and academic arenas. She has filled supervisory roles at Beckman Coulter, Inc., and conducts classes for new Beckman employees—introducing them to the clinical laboratory environment. She has also served as a beta-site evaluator, conducting 510K data collection for submission to the Federal Drug Administration for new chemistry methodologies. As a valued classroom and laboratory mentor in SAHP, she has developed curricula and served as clinical coordinator and program director for the CLS program. In addition to teaching and serving on important school committees, she has also presented papers at numerous national meetings and worked with national accreditors as a self-study paper reviewer and site visitor at several CLS programs across the country—which has afforded her the opportunity to mentor new program directors.

Recently, Ms. Davis became an assessment specialist for SAHP, working with other LLU program directors and participating in the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) Assessment Leadership Academy. Her discovery of a new path for SAHP assessment has guided work on a strategic plan to help the school prepare for the WSCUC site visit in 2020.

Ms. Katherine Davis has shown innovative leadership, academic excellence, and strong commitment to professional growth. In recognition of her significant contributions, the School of Allied Health Professions is honored to name her recipient of the *Faculty of the Year Award*. This Award will be presented at the Conferring of Degrees for the school at 8:00 a.m.

Desiree Backman



Chief Prevention Officer, Institute for
Population Health Improvement,
University of California-Davis Health
System
Deputy Director, Sacramento Tree
Foundation

A.S. Sacramento City College 1985
B.S. University of California, Davis 1988
M.S. California State University, Chico 1993
Dr.P.H. Loma Linda University PH 1999

*Joint Health, Fitness, and Nutrition Award,
California Governor's Council on Physical
Fitness and Sports; and the National
Association for Health and Fitness 2007*

In 2012, Dr. Desiree Backman received an award for a study presented at the annual conference of the Society for Nutrition Education and Behaviors in Washington, D.C. The study showed that signs, labeling, and promotional apparel can increase the sale of healthful entrees offered by catering trucks that serve workers in low-income communities. The award recognizes authors who produced the best educational materials published in the *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*, the society's peer-reviewed journal for disseminating original research, and discussing emerging issues and practices relevant to nutrition education and behavior worldwide. Dr. Backman conducted her research while working on the Network for a Healthy California project, a collaboration with colleagues at the California Department of Public Health and the Sacramento-based Public Health Institute.

Dr. Backman is also deputy director of the Sacramento Tree Foundation. In this capacity, she directs all programs and services at the foundation and works with a team of experts to use a social ecological framework and community development, empowerment, and advocacy approaches to build the best urban forest for the Sacramento region.

In her previous appointment, Dr. Backman served the Public Health Institute and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for nine years as manager of statewide programs designed to increase fruit and vegetable consumption, increase physical activity, and reduce chronic diseases among Californians. Working with a team of experts, she was tasked with developing, implementing, formally evaluating, and sustaining five nationally recognized health-promotion and disease-prevention programs. She has published research articles on the topics of cancer prevention, health promotion, and public health intervention approaches and effects; and was also the lead author of grants and CDPH contracts worth more than \$154 million.

In recognition of her outstanding scholarship and significant contributions to health education, Dr. Desiree Backman is named *School Alumna of the Year*. This title will be conferred on her at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Public Health.

Naomi N. Modeste



Professor of Public Health, School of Public Health, Loma Linda University

B.S. Union College 1970

*M.P.H., Dr.P.H. Loma Linda University PH
1971, 1984*

*Member, Delta Omega (honor society for
graduate studies in public health)*

*Who's Who in Trinidad and Tobago and
Who's Who Among America's Teachers
(2002, 2004, 2005)*

*American Cancer Society recognition for
outstanding work in breast cancer awareness*

Dr. Naomi N. Modeste has employed her education, skills, and experience in various capacities in service not only to the Adventist Church and to the Loma Linda University (LLU) academic community; but also to local, national, and global organizations, projects, and programs. These include: health director for the Caribbean Union Conference and for the Inter-American Division, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; regional director of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA); cherished professor of health promotion and education in the School of Public Health (SPH); consultant and reviewer for the NIH/NCI and the CDC, as well as for various professional journals; and evaluator/consultant for projects and programs focused on HIV/AIDS, teenage smoking cessation, teenage pregnancy prevention, and health and fitness awareness.

Dr. Modeste has served in the Department of Health Promotion and Education since coming to SPH in 1991, rising through the ranks from assistant to full professor. As department chair and as director for degree programs in health education, she has been a strong guiding presence and conscientious steward of the school's resources.

An innovative leader, Dr. Modeste helped develop technology-mediated and online degree programs in health education. Notable among her contributions as a teacher are the numerous courses she has developed, implemented, and evaluated. Faithfully mentoring dozens of doctoral students through the dissertation process, she has also helped generate a high rate of peer-reviewed journal publications. A solid history of funding and numerous professional presentations reflect her involvement in student research and practice projects. As of July 1, 2016, her meritorious service to the school will be marked by the title professor emerita.

For her unswerving commitment to quality and excellence and for her unselfish service, the School of Public Health is pleased to name Dr. Naomi N. Modeste recipient of the *Distinguished Faculty Service Award*. This award will be presented to her at the Conferring of Degrees for the school.

Caitriona Sansonetti



Admissions Records Analyst, School of
Public Health, Loma Linda University

B.A. California Baptist University 2015
Certificate in Early Childhood Education,
College of Commerce, Cork, Ireland 2001
Certificate in Business Studies, St. Colman's
Community College, Middleton, County Cork,
Ireland 1986

Loma Linda University Spiritual Life Service
Award 2011

Loma Linda University Employee Award 2010
Member, Alpha Chi National College Honor
Society

Mrs. Caitriona Sansonetti has played a significant role in School of Public Health (SPH) student retention endeavors by bridging the gap between stringent academic expectations and compassionate care. As an analyst, she has helped ensure student success through effective maintenance, monitoring, and reporting procedures; as well as through resources created for student support. In her interactions with administrators, faculty, staff, students, and visitors needing assistance, Mrs. Sansonetti has effectively modeled committed service.

Since coming to Loma Linda in 2005, Mrs. Sansonetti has filled diverse records services positions: clerk, Records Archiving Department of the Medical Center; records analyst, Office of University Records; administrative secretary, Center for Health Promotion; and admissions records analyst, SPH.

Prior to her years of service for Loma Linda University entities, Mrs. Sansonetti was introduced to student services-related assignments that instilled in her not only the value of adhering to policies, but above all, of performing one's tasks with care and compassion: as teacher, assistant teacher, and playground assistant in three schools in Ireland; as chief administrative officer and assistant to the director at EIL Intercultural Learning, a not-for-profit organization in Ireland; as instructional aide at Palm Elementary School in Beaumont, California; and as instructional aide at Dunlap Elementary School in Yucaipa, California.

A firm believer in excellence, Mrs. Sansonetti identifies and implements best practices for continued improvement. In addition to her professional responsibilities, she serves as Sabbath School superintendent and assists with the music ministry at the Banning S.D.A. Church; serves on the board of the Emerald Health & Education Foundation—providing support for the Irish, Scottish, and Welsh Missions of the S.D.A. Church; and volunteers for the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Sansonetti's favorite Bible text is Jeremiah 29:11: "'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord." She has been happily married to Ray for twenty-three years and enjoys spending time with family and friends.

In recognition of her exemplary service beyond the call of duty and her significant contributions to the school's academic program, the School of Public Health honors Mrs. Caitriona Sansonetti with the *Distinguished Staff Service Award*. This award will be presented to her at the Conferring of Degrees for the school.

Norma G. Scarborough



*B.A., M.A. California State University,
Dominguez Hills*

*D.M.F.T. Loma Linda University ST 2005
LMFT MFC in California
AAMFT-approved supervisor*

*Latino/a Student Psychological Association
Award of Recognition, Alliant International
University 2014*

*International-Multicultural Education,
Research Intervention and Training Initiative
(I-Merit), Alliant University, Los Angeles
Campus 2013-2014*

*AAMFT-CA Division Award of Recognition
2013*

Distinguished as recipient of the first doctoral degree awarded in the Marital and Family Therapy Program at Loma Linda University (LLU), Dr. Norma Gene Scarborough utilized her LLU training to accentuate her commitment to developing programs responsive to the needs of abandoned, neglected, and abused children and adolescents in the community. She established an annual awards brunch for children in foster care who would not ordinarily be recognized for their small accomplishments; an annual Christmas party at which children would receive at least one gift they really wanted, including bikes, Nintendos, and Game Boys; and an adolescent girls' and foster moms' group to promote information dissemination and dialogue on a variety of life issues.

Dr. Scarborough was a professor and mentor extraordinary who was dedicated to training students to deliver culturally relevant clinical services. Her work with African American families and couples, as well as adolescents in foster care, was recognized and acknowledged on numerous occasions. Most recently, she was an associate professor and site director in the Couple and Family Therapy Program on Alliant University's Los Angeles campus in Alhambra, California. She had previously served as an adjunct professor at Pepperdine University, Fuller Theological Seminary, and Pacific Oaks College

Active in professional organizations, Dr. Scarborough served for the past twelve years as member or officer of the board of the California Division of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. Prior to her untimely death, she had begun a second elected term as president of the California Division—the largest of the association's divisions in the United States.

For a life of commitment and service that exemplified the principles of the University's motto, "to make man whole," the title *School Alumna of the Year* will be conferred posthumously on Dr. Norma Gene Scarborough at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Behavioral Health.

Randall Walker



Assistant Professor, Department of
Counseling and Family Science, School
of Behavioral Health, Loma Linda
University

B.A. Biola University 1977

*M.S. California State University, Fullerton
1983*

*LMFT MFC in California
AAMFT-approved supervisor*

*Lyn Behrens Outstanding Faculty Award,
Department of Counseling and Family
Science, School of Behavioral Health, Loma
Linda University 2010*

*Outstanding Contract Staff Member, Inland
Empire Recovery Happens 2007*

*Outstanding Chapter Leader, Mt. Baldy
Chapter, California Association of Marriage
and Family Therapists 2003*

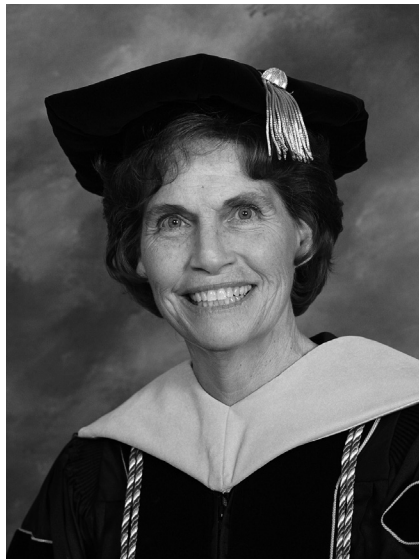
Mr. Randall Walker volunteered in a number of nonprofit, community-based agency internships in California—including West Valley Community Health Center, Family Service Association of Orange County, and Rio Hondo Area Family Services—before joining Reach Out West End, Inc., in Upland. There he coordinated a San Bernardino County-funded, school-based, primary drug abuse-prevention program that focused on children in grades K-8. He also worked as clinical supervisor of master's degree-level clinicians and students from Loma Linda University (LLU) at the Matrix Institute on Addictions in Rancho Cucamonga, where he directed a project to integrate an intensive outpatient treatment program employing the Matrix Model into an existing psychiatric hospital.

For approximately twenty-two years, Mr. Walker has been affiliated with LLU, focusing on providing services to the addicted and their families. He has taught classes in substance abuse, and he organized and launched the Drug and Alcohol Counseling Program certificate in the School of Behavioral Health's Department of Counseling and Family Sciences (CFS). He is also director of the CFS Clinic.

Mr. Walker helped plan and design the LLU Behavioral Health Institute (BHI); and as its director, he supervises CFS student clinicians and collaborates with other departments to establish an interdisciplinary training experience. He is actively involved in interprofessional activities at LLU, including Camp Good Grief, the Unstuck Program, and Youth Hope. Together with Harvey Elder, M.D., Dean Sherzai, M.D., and Carrie Eskay, M.S.W., he helped organize and launch the Care Partner Support Group for spouses of individuals dealing with dementia and Alzheimer's disease.

For his distinguished service and untiring support of clinical training and behavioral health education at Loma Linda University, and for a lifetime commitment to the values of this institution and its motto, "To make man whole," Mr. Randall Walker is named recipient of the *School Distinguished Service Award*. This award will be presented to him at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Behavioral Health.

Dynnette Hart



Associate Dean Emerita, School of
Nursing, Loma Linda University

B.S. Loma Linda University SN 1966
M.S. Loma Linda University GS 1968
Dr.P.H. Loma Linda University PH 1994
Certificate, University of California, Los
Angeles 2001

Dr. Dynnette (Dee) Hart is a triple alumna of Loma Linda University (LLU), having earned degrees from the Schools of Nursing (SN) and Public Health (PH) and from the Graduate School.

In 1970, Dr. Dee Hart accompanied her husband, Dr. Kenneth Hart, to East Africa. There—in addition to rearing their children, Todd and Patrice—she functioned as a “sister-tutor” in Zambia, as a health education instructor in Tanzania, and as a primary care clinic nurse in Kenya.

When the family returned to Loma Linda in 1987, Dr. Hart taught pediatric nursing in LLUSN for twenty-eight years and worked part-time in pediatric oncology at LLU Children’s Hospital to maintain clinical expertise. Development of the Social Action Community Health System (SACHS) at the Norton site was facilitated when she served a one-year appointment as director of nursing and then continued there as supervisor of nursing students’ health promotion activities. Completing the pediatric nurse practitioner (PNP) postmaster’s certificate prepared her to coordinate the PNP program at LLUSN and to work as a PNP at the SACHS Arrowhead Clinic.

In 2006, Dr. Hart was appointed LLUSN associate dean for student affairs and undergraduate nursing, a role she performed until mid-2015.

During her nearly three decades at LLUSN, Dr. Hart has assisted more than 1,000 students in earning the bachelor’s degree. She has served or led on many school, University, and Medical Center committees; has led student-nurse participation in health fairs; has served on General Conference health survey teams, evaluating health-care facilities in Southern and East Africa; has made presentations in Vietnam and the Philippines; and has conducted health seminars in various areas of Africa, the Philippines, and China.

For her career contributions, her leadership, and her unwavering support of LLUSN—as well as for a lifetime commitment to the values of this University and its motto, “To make man whole”—Dr. Dynnette (Dee) Hart will be honored as recipient of the *School Distinguished Service Award*. This award will be presented at the school’s Conferring of Degrees.

President's Award Recipients

Paige E. Stevens



School of Medicine recipient

B.S. University of California, Riverside 2012

M.D. Loma Linda University SM 2016

Paige Elyse Stevens achieved an outstanding academic record while devoting significant time and effort to leadership and service. She received honors in fifteen of sixteen basic science courses during her first two years of medical school, as well as in all seven clinical clerkships. Her induction into the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society in her junior year was an honor typically reserved for senior medical students.

Throughout the past four years, Paige has demonstrated humility, accessibility, friendliness, and Christian character—qualities that have earned the respect of her teachers and peers. Committed to service, she volunteered for the student evening and street medicine clinics and served for two years as a tutor for underprivileged children.

Seeking to help children cope with the stress of extended hospitalization and treatment, Paige developed and obtained funding for an innovative project that also provided service learning opportunities for other students in pediatric clerkships. She has been actively engaged as social vice president of her class during the past four years and as co-president of the pediatric interest group for two years. Additionally, she served as a leader of the student Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) survey and was the student representative on the primary LCME self-study committee for the recent accreditation site-visit at the School of Medicine.

Paige will continue her medical training in the pediatric residency program at Children's Hospital of Los Angeles.

For her academic excellence and her consistent representation of qualities of diligence, altruism, and compassion for others, the 2016 *President's Award* was bestowed on Dr. Paige Elyse Stevens at the School of Medicine Senior Banquet on May 25, 2016.

Andrew Crofton



Faculty of Graduate Studies recipient

*B.A. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota 2009
M.S., Ph.D. Loma Linda University SM 2009,
2016*

In 2009, Andrew Crofton—assistant professor of physical therapy at Adventist University of Health Sciences in Orlando, Florida—began his academic journey at Loma Linda University (LLU) in the M.S. degree program in anatomy; he transitioned to the Ph.D. degree program in 2010. His academic achievements at LLU include eight peer-reviewed publications (two additional manuscripts currently under review); four patents; one book chapter; sixteen posters/abstracts; sixteen lectures and seminar papers delivered; and manuscripts/grants reviewed with Dr. Wolff Kirsch, neurosurgeon, for twenty-six journals and funding agencies—including an NIH grant he coauthored with Dr. Kirsch, which formed the basis for his dissertation. He tutored medical and dental students and taught in the anatomy cadaver laboratory for the nurse anesthesia and the physician assistant programs. For outstanding research, Andrew has received a number of awards: 1st place poster awards, 2011 LLU Annual Post-graduate Convention, and 16th Annual LLU Basic Science Research Symposium.

Andrew served as a member of the Basic Sciences Admissions Committee and the School of Medicine Student Technology Committee, was the Basic Sciences Student Council President, played a major role in implementing a tablet-learning program in the School of Medicine, and organized the first St. Baldrick's Foundation head-shaving fundraising event for research and support of pediatric malignancy programs. He also played in the band for the basic sciences Christmas party; served the community as K-12 Inland Science and Engineering Fair judge for the past two years; joined Re:Live Ministries for the 2011 tornado clean-up effort in Joplin, Missouri; and helped organize Loma Linda's 2010 Relay for Life. In addition, his exciting biomedical research has encouraged increased interest in science careers among Redlands High School students. He continues the research on chitosan and Alzheimer's disease that he began at LLU.

Dr. Crofton is married to Rhea Eva Crofton, a nurse anesthetist and an LLU alumna.

For outstanding academic and leadership performance, scholarship, and dedicated community service, the Faculty of Graduate Studies honors Dr. Andrew Crofton with the 2016 *President's Award*. This award was presented to Dr. Crofton at the Basic Sciences Consecration and Hooding Ceremony on May 27, 2016.

Amy Yoon Kang



School of Pharmacy recipient

B.S. University of California, Los Angeles 2012

Pharm.D. Loma Linda University SP 2016

Amy Yoon Kang entered Loma Linda University School of Pharmacy (LLUSP) in September 2012 after completing a B.S degree at the University of California, Los Angeles. While academics were clearly an important part of her journey at LLUSP, she also engaged in the profession of pharmacy through leadership in professional student organizations—serving as 2014-2015 president of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists; and organizing the first LLUSP Legislative Event Series for the California Pharmacists Association, LLUSP Student Chapter. As a member of Rho Chi, the national academic honor society for pharmacy, she tutored fellow students in all pharmacy courses. In addition, she was given recognition as a leader by her peers and was inducted into Phi Lambda Sigma, the leadership honor society for pharmacy.

In her application to the Pharm.D. program, Amy wrote: “I am motivated to contribute my time and money because of the time and money that others provided me when I was alone and in need.” Translating motivation into action, she balanced work and outreach activities while in school. For the past three years, she has worked as an intern pharmacist at the Kaiser Permanente Outpatient Pharmacy in Mission Viejo. In the summer of 2014, she was one of sixteen students to serve as a medical staff volunteer at Camp Conrad Chinnock, a camp for youth living with type-1 diabetes.

In September 2014, Amy accompanied Dr. Jun and two other students on a medical mission trip to Cambodia. She also coauthored several poster presentations. As the first LLUSP student to enroll in and complete the Utah School on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse, she is prepared to provide substance abuse education. In 2015, the American Pharmacists Association Foundation awarded her the Robert D. Gibson Scholarship, one of thirteen student scholarships awarded annually at the national level.

Amy has chosen to continue her academic pursuits through completion of a postgraduate year-one (PGY-1) residency program.

In recognition of her strong academic record, her engagement outside the formal classroom, and her passion for service, Dr. Amy Yoon Kang is named recipient of the 2016 *President’s Award* for the School of Pharmacy.

Michael Cooley



School of Dentistry recipient

B.S. Chapman University 2008

D.D.S. Loma Linda University SD 2016

Michael Cooley had his heart set on attending Loma Linda University School of Dentistry. Even after being accepted to another school, his goal was not just to become a great dentist, but also to be in a program where he would grow spiritually as well as intellectually. He gave his “desires to the Lord and left them in His hands.”

Michael was born and reared in a home where Christian values were taught and practiced. His relationship with God has been his strength; and he believes that faith is shown not just by words, but also by his actions towards others—including his patients. Growing up in a small rural border town gave him the opportunity to work intimately with underprivileged children and adults, observing firsthand their needs and developing a passion to become of further service to them.

A principled, respected, balanced young man, Michael was voted by his classmates to receive the Wil Alexander Award in recognition of his ongoing commitment and involvement in whole person care in his personal and professional life. Included among the predoctoral education honors he received are Chapman University’s Biological Sciences Academic Scholarship and the Academic All-American Award, as well as the Scholar-Athlete Award from the National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame.

During his dental education, Michael has served his class and the school by coordinating sporting events and by representing the University chapter of the American Student Dental Association on a local and national level. He has excelled academically and clinically, consistently qualifying for the Dean’s List. He is in the Implant Dentistry Honors Program.

Michael has stated that he would like to personally contribute as part of a larger team to improving all aspects of health for the underserved. Through his words and service, he hopes to have an ongoing, positive effect.

In acknowledgment of his outstanding academic performance and his commitment to whole person care, Dr. Michael Cooley is named recipient of the 2016 *President’s Award*. This award was presented to him during the School of Dentistry Senior Banquet on May 18, 2016.

Brianna Mitchell



School of Allied Health Professions
recipient

*B.A. University of California, Los Angeles
2013*

M.S. Loma Linda University AH 2016

Brianna Mitchell's very existence is a miracle. She was born with a brain aneurism, but surgical removal/reparation was not attempted until she was 3 years old. During surgery, she suffered seizures and a cerebral vascular accident (CVA), which resulted in a postsurgery diagnosis of mild cerebral palsy. During her preschool and kindergarten years, she was enrolled in special education classes; but she was mainstreamed to regular education by the time she entered Grade 1. Several ancillary services were provided to her in Grades 1-6 (i.e., occupational therapy, physical therapy, resource specialist, and speech-language therapy). By the time she reached junior high school, she required only the support of "accommodations" (e.g., longer testing time; quiet testing space, etc.). She graduated from high school with a 4.3 G.P.A. and went on to complete a bachelor's degree from the University of California, Los Angeles, with a major in geography and two minors: disabilities studies; as well as film, TV, and digital media.

In the fall of 2013, Brianna entered the communication sciences and disorders transitional master's degree program in the School of Allied Health Professions at this University. Her accommodations typically involved a quiet room away from her peers and extra time. She completed the transitional year with a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.78. Early in her second year of study, she decided to forego further accommodations and "let go of the handlebars" of safety on which she had relied for so long. At the end of the fall quarter of her third year of study, she was maintaining an institutional G.P.A. of 3.88.

Brianna has generously devoted time to the National Student Speech Language Hearing Association (NSSLHA) and the student California Speech and Hearing Association (CSHA) chapters. She energetically and enthusiastically recruits peers and faculty to participate in fund-raisers, extracurricular and group activities, and membership drives that benefit CSHA.

For academic distinction, exemplary leadership, and commitment to community service, the School of Allied Health Professions is pleased to name Ms. Brianna Mitchell the recipient of the 2016 *President's Award*. This award will be presented to her during the school's Conferring of Degrees ceremony at 10:30 a.m.

Angie Lam



School of Public Health recipient

*B.A. University of California, Irvine 2005
M.P.H. Loma Linda University PH 2016*

In the two years that Angie Lam has been enrolled in the School of Public Health, she has represented what it means to be the ideal M.P.H. degree student. She is concurrently completing the eligibility requirements to become a registered dietitian.

While a student, Angie has been actively involved as a volunteer in community outreach projects with the Helping Hands Pantry. She has shown leadership abilities by organizing and implementing a program that involves food preparation demonstrations and healthy eating presentations at this site. She is an enthusiastic and effective nutrition educator whose creativity is evidenced by the materials she prepares for nutrition education.

Angie's leadership potential was also demonstrated in her practicum activities both at the Riverside School District and the Operation Fit program last summer quarter where she performed with distinction. She also serves in a leadership position with the LLU-wide nutrition student association (NCSA) and in the LLU chapter of the nutrition and dietetics national honor society (Phi Upsilon Omicron).

As a student, Angie is intellectually inquisitive and anxious to learn—grasping information quickly and challenging herself to produce beyond the requirements. Although not mandated to do so, she has been assisting with the Adventist Multi-Ethnic Nutrition (AMEN) research study. Highly motivated, she is committed to her goal of training to be of service linked to health and nutrition promotion.

Because she is without question suited for this recognition by virtue of her exemplary leadership, academic excellence, and devotion to community service, the School of Public Health is pleased to name Ms. Angie Lam the recipient of the 2016 *President's Award*.

Nelu Nedelea



School of Religion recipient

*B.A. Institutul Teologic Adventist, Romania
2003*

M.S. Loma Linda University SR 2016

Nelu Nedelea was born in Romania; and at 12 years of age, he was the first in his family to become a Seventh-day Adventist. He was privileged to complete his high school and university education in the Adventist school system. After earning a degree in pastoral theology, his career in ministry was launched. A year later, he married his beautiful wife, Olivia; and in July 2009, he was ordained to the gospel ministry.

In September 2009, Nelu and Olivia immigrated to Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, where they began a new life, learned a new language, and immersed themselves in a new culture. The British Columbia Conference of S.D.A. provided an opportunity for Nelu to continue his ministry as pastor of the Salmon Arm and Silver Creek S.D.A. churches.

The value of an Adventist education was important to Nelu, and he prayed for the opportunity to pursue the M.S.Chap. degree at Loma Linda University (LLU). In 2014, that door opened for him; and LLU has taken his vision of life and ministry and “put it on steroids.” He is thrilled to have completed his academic program with a much bigger, more global vision of ministry.

Nelu received the Mission Leadership Scholarship in 2015 and has served as the School of Religion Student Council president. He stated: “One of the best gifts I received from LLU, beside the wonderful knowledge and mentorship from great faculty and professionals, is the gift of knowing myself. LLU made me a better person and encouraged me to dream big about what God can do in my life and other people’s lives.”

In recognition of his unwavering devotion to academic and spiritual excellence and for his commitment to global ministry, Pastor Nelu Nedelea is named recipient of the 2016 *President’s Award* for the School of Religion.

Daniel Tapanes



School of Behavioral Health recipient

B.S. University of Redlands 1999

M.A. Philipps Graduate Institute 2005

D.M.F.T. Loma Linda University BH 2016

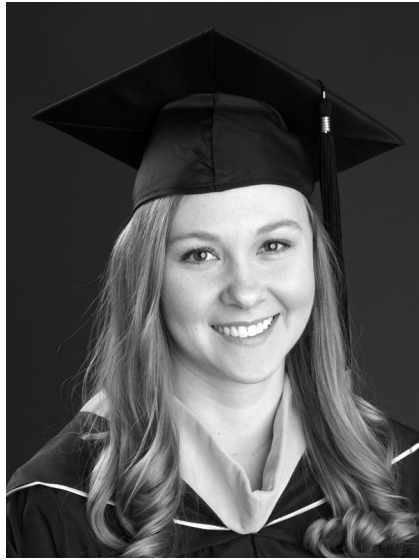
Daniel Tapanes left his position with the Loma Linda Fire Department to pursue a doctoral degree in marriage and family therapy. Concurrent with this transition, he began working at Loma Linda University Behavioral Medicine Center (BMC), where he helped launch the Clearview Treatment Center, a nonprofit residential treatment program that brings nature into health and healing. Daniel currently serves as lead clinical therapist for the BMC and as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Redlands.

In 2009, Daniel launched the Mastering Each New Direction (MEND) program—a psychosocial, family-based, intensive outpatient program run through the BMC. The program has helped nearly 600 families struggling with the chronic illness of a child not only to manage the disease more effectively, but also to improve the health of the child and the family. These families have come to the program from Loma Linda University Children's Hospital, as well as from hospitals and clinics from all over Southern California. Daniel and his team have worked hard to provide program access to low-income families through philanthropic scholarships.

Findings related to MEND have been disseminated globally through twenty-four presentations to eight different national and international professional organizations; and have been included in five peer-reviewed journals spanning the fields of medicine, marriage and family therapy, nursing, and psychology. Through MEND, Daniel has shown that integrating behavioral and physical health care for chronically ill children can significantly improve the child's and family's quality of life and significantly reduce the negative consequences of illness—including missing school, elevated stress levels, and depressed cognition—by more than 40 percent. In addition, a recent study has shown that the MEND program can reduce medical expenses by 74 percent. Daniel and his team are now developing additional versions of MEND, one for adults and one for the community.

For his excellent scholarship, professionalism, exemplary leadership, and passion for his field, the School of Behavioral Health names Dr. Daniel Tapanes recipient of the 2016 *President's Award*.

Kara Jeffries



School of Nursing recipient

B.S. Loma Linda University SN 2016

Kara Jeffries always had a passion for helping others. At a young age, she knew that she wanted to enter a profession that would allow her to pursue this passion. When she was 4 years old, Kara was diagnosed with leukemia. During her treatment, she came into contact with many nurses—some good and some bad. The bad ones left Kara vowing she would never be a nurse; while the good ones left a positive impression on her.

After graduating from Bakersfield Adventist Academy in 2011, Kara began the journey to becoming a physical therapist; but after one quarter of prerequisites and countless prayers, she decided this was not her field. God had placed a passion for nursing in her heart, and she decided she wanted to make a difference in this profession by being one of the “good” ones.


With her prenursing courses completed, Kara was accepted into Loma Linda University School of Nursing. For the next two-and-a-half years, her excellence both in didactic and in clinical course work was acknowledged—as recipient of the Del E. Webb Scholarship and by the inclusion of her name on the Dean’s List. She has demonstrated her natural passion for service through leadership and mentorship in a study group for the class Nursing Fundamentals and Adult Health Nursing I. She is also a volunteer student mentor in the nursing simulation laboratory where she assists nursing students seeking to attain essential clinical skills; and she actively participates in community service events and school functions. Further, she served as treasurer for the School of Nursing Association of Student Nurses.

In both the academic and the professional arenas, Kara has exemplified excellence and diligence. While attending nursing school, she also worked as a patient care assistant in the medical ICU at Loma Linda University Medical Center. For her exemplary performance, she was recently invited to join the nursing honor society, Sigma Theta Tau International, Gamma Alpha Chapter. She plans to practice her nursing career at LLUMC as an ICU nurse.

For academic excellence, outstanding leadership, and unselfish service, the School of Nursing is pleased to name Ms. Kara Jeffries recipient of the 2016 *President’s Award*.

The Programs

School of Medicine

	May twenty-nine, eight-thirty o'clock, University Mall
	
PRELUDE	Loma Linda Academy Wind Symphony Dr. John Carter, conductor
ACADEMIC PROCESSION	The audience is requested to clear the aisles and remain seated. Ronald L. Carter, University Commencement Marshal, leading Jeffrey D. Cao, Adrian N. Cotton, Lynda Daniel-Underwood, Paul C. Herrmann, Associate Marshals, assisting
Faculty	The President's Party, Members of the University Board of Trustees, LLUH Administrators
Candidates for Degrees	Processional March (from <i>Die Meistersinger</i>) . . . <i>Richard Wagner</i> (arr. Dale W. Eymann) Pomp and Circumstance (Theme from <i>March No. 1: Land of Hope and Glory</i>) . . . <i>Sir Edward Elgar</i> (arr. Clare Grundman)
INVOCATION	Keren Skau Genstler Class Pastor
WELCOME	Richard H. Hart President of the University
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS	H. Roger Hadley, Dean of the School The President Ronald L. Carter, Provost of the University
A GRADUATE'S REFLECTIONS	Casey R. Harms President of the Class
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER	The President

ADDRESS	<p>Gillian Seton Medical Director, S.D.A. Cooper Memorial Hospital, Monrovia, Republic of Liberia</p> <p>IN TIMES OF TROUBLE</p>
CONFERRING OF DEGREES	The President
AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS	<p>The Dean Penelope Duerksen-Hughes, Associate Dean for Basic Science and Translational Research Anthony J. Zuccarelli, Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies Hansel Fletcher, Assistant Dean for Graduate Student Affairs Leonard S. Werner, Senior Associate Dean for Medical Student Education Henry H. Lamberton, Associate Dean for Student Affairs Tamara M. Shankel, Associate Dean for Clinical Education</p>
THE PHYSICIAN'S OATH	<p>Mark E. Reeves President, Alumni Association</p>
CHARGE TO THE CLASS	The Dean
BENEDICTION	<p>Vincent M. Spellman Class of 2016</p>
ACADEMIC RECESSION	<p>Second Suite in F, Movement 1: March... <i>Gustav Host</i></p> <p>The audience is requested to clear the aisles and remain seated during the recession.</p> <p>Commencement ceremonies will be available for viewing and downloading from the Commencement Web site. Loma Linda University Commencement Web site llu.edu/commencement</p> <p>To minimize distracting others during the ceremony, guests are requested to observe the following picture-taking courtesies: <i>Please do not—</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use a flash or additional lighting; • walk in the main aisles or in front of the platform; • stand except very briefly in the audience line of vision.
COMMISSIONING OF MILITARY OFFICERS	<p>This ceremony will take place in the Randall Amphitheater at 11:00 A.M.</p>

Candidates for Degrees

The listing of a candidate's name in the commencement program is presumptive evidence of graduation but is not to be regarded as conclusive.

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE

Medicine

Oluwatobi Anuoluwapo Afolayan B.S. University of California, Riverside 2011	Kassandra Brown B.S. Burman University 2012
Ariana Kartika Anugerah B.A. La Sierra University 2011 M.B.A. La Sierra University 2015	Tyler Nelson Brown B.S. Arizona Christian University 2011
Amy Woods Appleby B.S. Point Loma Nazarene University 2011	Corey Burke B.A. Judson College 2012
Mark Duan Ard, Jr. B.S. University of California, San Diego 2011 M.A. Loma Linda University SR 2014	Hayden Thomas Cale B.S. La Sierra University 2012
Brendon Mark Bauer B.S. Walla Walla University 2012	Justin Theodore Calvert B.S. Walla Walla University 2011
Ruth E. Belay B.S. Oakwood University 2012	Lauren Danielle Caradonna B.S. Southern Adventist University 2012
Alayna Grace Bosma B.S. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor 2012	Justin Michael Chen B.S. Walla Walla University 2011
Sean Ray Bowman B.S. California Baptist University 2011	Daniel Chiou B.S. University of California, San Diego 2011
Jackson William Brammer B.S. University of Washington, Seattle 2012	Michelle Yong Choe B.A. Johns Hopkins University 2009
Nikoleta Brankov B.S. Youngstown State University 2010	Nicole Unjo Choi B.S. University of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign 2007
Breanna Cherie Breeding B.S. Whitworth University 2011	Danielle Kristin Craigg B.S. Walla Walla University 2011
	Clarkson Crane B.A. California Lutheran University 2012

Tabitha Dawn Crane B.A. Transylvania University 2011	Russell Irving Carl Erickson IV, DEC B.S.E. Walla Walla University 2007 M.S. University of Oregon 2010
Matthew Peter Curtis B.S. Walla Walla University 2008 PH.D. Loma Linda University SM 2015	Matthew Lewis Farr B.S. University of Utah 2012
Adley Chris Dason B.S. Burman University 2011	Ashley Lauren Fedusenko B.S. Southern Adventist University 2009
Christopher Bryan Daum B.S. Union College 2012	Andrew David Fellers B.S. Kettering College of Medical Arts 2012
Paul Richard Davis B.A. Bethel University 2011 B.S. Bethel University 2011	Aubrey Yurie Ferguson B.S. La Sierra University 2011
Jason Andrew Dedeker B.A. Southern Adventist University 2012	James Emil Fernando B.S. Union College 2011
Randall Matthew DeLeon B.S. Andrews University 2010 M.B.A. La Sierra University 2015	Marly Francois B.S. Seton Hall University 2011
Renik Renaldo Delisser B.S. Andrews University 2011	Jasmine Yaxun Fu B.S. University of California, Los Angeles 2011
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Thesis: Unique Preservation of Fossil Ghost Fish in the Green River Formation

Millions of fossil fish and other species of plants and animals have been discovered in the Green River Formation. Exquisitely preserved, these fossils form a *Lagerstätten*, providing abundant evidence to reconstruct the Eocene paleoenvironment. Two sedimentary beds in the Angelo Member display unique preservation of fossil fish and potentially other apatite-based organisms. Detailed soft-body parts such as eyes and lateral lines have been preserved while bones are absent. Analysis of both fossil taphonomy and rock geochemistry have been performed in an attempt to solve this enigmatic preservation.

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Thesis: Interpreting the Southern California Arc Geochemistry Using Multivariate and Spatial Methods

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Thesis: Rhythmic Bedding in Prodeltaic Deposits of the Ancient Colorado River

Predeltaic deposits represent a valuable stratigraphic archive of deltaic depositional systems, offering a distal record of dominant processes active at the fluvial-marine interface. A thick progradational deltaic succession—formed when the ancestral Colorado River infiltrated the early Gulf of California—is preserved in the Fish Creek Basin (California). The prodeltaic unit (Mud Hills Member) in this succession consists of ~ 300m of muddy siltstones exhibiting a striking rhythmic bedding. Alternating sand-dominated and clay-dominated beds form couplets with average thickness

of 12 cm. Detailed sedimentological logging and grain size analysis of 265 consecutive couplets indicate that deposition of the rhythmites was accomplished via hyperpycnal flows—each couplet likely representing one depositional event in a setting characterized by high sedimentation rates. Time series analysis of bed thickness revealed a strong periodicity of approximately 18 couplets. These results exemplify the effect of modulations in intensity of quasi-periodic hyperpycnal flows in prodeltaic successions.

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Thesis: Depositional Model of Late Cretaceous Dinosaur Fossil Concentration, Lance Formation

A large Maastrichtian, nearly monospecific bonebed in the Lance Formation in eastern Wyoming has yielded 13,000 bones and fragments since 1996. Though excavation of the site continues, little is known of the circumstances and processes of deposition. This study aims to provide a depositional model for the bonebed. To accomplish this task, we utilized 1D facies analysis of surrounding units and 3D analysis of the bonebed. The nature of the outcrop limited facies analysis to 1D. Four measured stratigraphic sections, each containing the bonebed unit, were taken and used in 1D analysis. In addition, laterally continuous units were observed and mapped using real-time kinematic GPS equipment. For 3D analysis of the bonebed, we utilized a large GPS dataset collected over twenty years of excavation. Displaying and manipulating the points in ArcGIS allowed investigation of bone arrangement vertically and laterally within the bonebed.

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Dissertation: Chitosan Decontamination with Nonthermal Nitrogen Plasma to Enable Internal Use

Chitosan is a promising biomedical material but is used clinically only as a topical hemostat since conventional sterilization and depyrogenation methods negatively alter its biological properties. This study hypothesized that nonthermal nitrogen plasma would sterilize and depyrogenate chitosan while preserving its biological properties. Plasma treatment produced sterile chitosan with endotoxins below the limits for parenteral drugs and devices. Preservation of drug-delivery efficacy of plasma-decontaminated chitosan was shown in a mouse bladder cancer model, where chitosan dramatically enhances antitumor properties of interleukin-12. Preservation of chitosan's hemostatic efficacy was demonstrated in both a rat model with femoral vessel bleeding and a pig model with kidney bleeding. Plasma-decontaminated chitosan was implanted in the pig model, which more than twelve weeks later showed an excellent safety profile with tissue and inflammatory reactions characteristic of foreign body implants. Knowledge gained in these studies will enable clinical testing of parenteral applications of chitosan, including chitosan+interleukin-12 for bladder cancer.

Biochemistry

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Dissertation: The Role of Oxidative Stress in Promoting Human Papillomavirus-Mediated Cervical Carcinogenesis

High-risk human papillomavirus (HPV) is the causative agent of cervical cancer. Integration of the HPV genome into the host genome is a key event in cervical carcinogenesis—with oxidative stress (OS) likely playing a major role in promoting DNA damage, and subsequently, integration. This study demonstrated a chain of events leading from the induction of OS, to DNA damage, and then to viral integration. Induction of OS by either virus-mediated factors, such as expression of E6*, a splice variant of the E6 oncogene, or by exogenous factors led to DNA damage in normal oral keratinocytes and in cervical keratinocytes containing episomal HPV16. Results show that OS increased the integration rate for both foreign DNA and HPV, while antioxidants reduced the integration frequency. This research also revealed a significant variability in ROS levels in patient-derived cervical specimens, which may reflect differences in susceptibility to cervical cancer between women.

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Dissertation: Chlorinated Tyrosine Species as Markers of Inflammation: A Kinetic Study

In chronic inflammation, leukocytes utilize myeloperoxidase to generate hypochlorous acid (HOCl) and reactive nitrogen species that damage host tissue and contribute to disease pathology. The surrogate markers, 3-chlorotyrosine (3ClTyr) and 3-nitrotyrosine (NO₂Tyr), are stable byproducts of myeloperoxidase activity. Their use as biomarkers has been questioned because they degrade upon exposure to HOCl. Studies further suggest that the mechanism of 3ClTyr formation *in vivo* occurs through chloramine intermediates of nearby lysine or histidine residues within protein. This study identified the products of 3ClTyr and NO₂Tyr reacting with HOCl and determined the rate constants of their chlorination by HOCl, histidine chloramine, and lysine chloramine. It also investigated tyrosine chlorination in lysine- or histidine-containing peptides and determined that the reaction is first-order and dependent on primary and secondary protein structure. Results support the role of chloramines in the chlorination of protein-bound tyrosine and examine the role of 3ClTyr and NO₂Tyr as biomarkers.

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Dissertation: Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor Contributes to Hypoxic Modulation of Smooth Muscle Phenotype, Endothelial Function, and Contractility in Fetal Cranial Arteries

Inadequate delivery of oxygen to a developing fetus is a leading cause of premature birth that predisposes newborns to many pathologies, including bleeding in the brain and permanent loss of certain normal brain functions. To better understand the causes of these injuries, we explored the hypothesis that inadequate oxygen specifically injures the blood vessels of the developing fetal brain. We found that inadequate oxygen alters the structure, composition, and function of brain blood vessels; and changes the organization of key proteins, such as smooth muscle actin and myosin, that enable cerebral arteries to contract. Most importantly, we discovered that vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF), which is increased by inadequate oxygen, can directly cause many of the vascular changes we observed. These findings offer new insights into the causes of brain injury in neonates and should help improve the clinical management of newborns who have suffered inadequate delivery of oxygen, *in utero*.

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Dissertation: Role of Cyclic GMP-dependent Protein Kinase in Regulating Vascular Tone in Hypoxic Ovine Cerebral Arteries

Chronic hypoxia is an important risk factor for several known conditions—including hypertension, heart disease, stroke, diabetes, and more. Infants born in conditions of long-term hypoxia (LTH) will experience a lifetime of increased susceptibility to these problems. To understand how this is mediated, this study investigated the role of cyclic GMP-dependent protein kinase (PKG) and the loss of its ability to induce vasorelaxation in ovine cerebral arteries under hypoxic conditions. Findings showed that although the abundance and specific activity of PKG appear nearly normal in LTH, the ability of PKG to associate with and modify its target proteins, and the BK potassium channel in particular, is compromised by exposure to LTH. This leads directly to a loss of vasorelaxation in cerebral arteries, and induces long-term phenotypic changes in contractile vascular smooth muscle. Understanding this process will help identify therapeutic strategies to prevent or reverse these pathologies in neonates.

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Dissertation: Scorpion Venom Variation: Analytical, Ecological, and Clinical Implications

Venoms have generated growing interest in their biological and therapeutic relevance. Scorpion venom comprises a complex blend of inorganic salts, heterocyclic compounds, bioactive peptides, and proteins. These compounds are used by venomous animals for predation and defense. The researcher's initial two studies investigated geographic variation of the venoms from *Hadrurus arizonensis* and *Smeringurus maesensis*. Using fast protein liquid chromatography, tandem mass spectrometry, matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization, and bioinformatics, these species' venom were characterized and found to differ statistically between the sexes and among geographically-defined populations. The third research studied the effects of *Hadrurus* venom on three panels of human cancer cells: MB231/MCF-7 cells (breast cancer), A172 cells (glioblastoma), and HeLa cells (cervical cancer). The results suggest that *Hadrurus* venom may overcome the limitations of current cancer drugs, providing apoptotic, necrotic and cytotoxicity for cancer cells. Collectively, these findings offer novel insights on venom variation and its potential application to human health.

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Dissertation: The Growth, Morphology, and Ecology of Two Furongian (Upper Cambrian) Microbialite Reefs from the Hellnmaria Member of the Notch Peak Formation in Southwestern Utah

Exposure of carbonate rocks within the uplifted mountains of southwestern Utah presents a unique opportunity for studying the growth, morphology, and ecology of two upper Cambrian microbialite reefs. The first reef contains meter-length, strongly elongate microbialites that grew in a deep, subtidal marine environment. These microbialites formed as a result of coalescence of round “algal” heads—a process known to produce compound microbialite structures in shallow water but seldom explored as a key factor in the elongation of deep, subtidal forms. The second reef contains lithistid sponge-microbial “stromatolites,”—a new type of metazoan biostructure that has only been described from the Carboniferous and Triassic periods. This discovery has important implications when reconstructing middle-to-upper Cambrian reef-building communities, as these periods are assumed to have a very low diversity of metazoan reefal components. Taken together, both reefs shed light on the paleoecology and paleoenvironment of upper Cambrian microbialite reef-building communities.

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Dissertation: Evidence for Crust Recycling and Magma Mixing from Fieldwork, Petrography, and Elemental and Isotope Geochemistry in the Peruvian Coastal Batholith

Peruvian granitic plutons display evidence for crust recycling from kilometer-scale cauldron subsidence, meter-scale stoping and disaggregation, and centimeter-scale magma mingling. At the petrographic microscope scale, evidence for recycling and mixing between mantle and crustal magma during crystallization is evident in disequilibrium features, such as reaction rims, resorbed cores, and patchy zoning. Elemental and isotope geochemistry data indicate that mantle magmas have incorporated continental crust material from varying depths and sources and in increasing amounts with time. Some uranium and lead isotope single-crystal zircon analyses also indicate varying source components. The research concluded that the source of the granitic magmas making up the plutons near Ica, Peru, is about half from the mantle and half from recycled crust—made up of Precambrian lower crust and Phanerozoic upper crust consisting of volcanic, sedimentary, and earlier plutonic units at the emplacement level.

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Dissertation: The Taphonomy of a Lance-Formation (Maastrichtian)
Dinosaur Bonebed in Eastern Wyoming with an Emphasis on Tooth-traced
Fossil Bones

The Rose Quarry bonebed found in the Maastrichtian Lance Formation of eastern Wyoming possesses a complex mixture of taphonomic signatures. Disarticulated, disassociated, fragmented bones of various states of abrasion from dinosaurs, turtles, and crocodilians are clustered together in a channelized sandstone unit. The mismatched taphonomic signatures of the bonebed suggest that it is a mixed assemblage, containing bones with different taphonomic histories that were washed together by a flood event. The abundant breakage of the bones is attributed mainly to trampling. Although only a few Rose Quarry bones show evidence of tooth traces, a similar nearby bonebed contained a tyrannosaurid bone that had been bitten by another tyrannosaurid—suggesting possible cannibalism in the species *Tyrannosaurus rex*.

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Dissertation: The Role of Collagen-Interacting Proteins in the Pathogenesis
of *Filifactor alocis*

Periodontitis is a polymicrobial infection-induced inflammatory disease that can lead to the destruction of the tooth-supporting tissues. This disease is also linked to several systemic diseases, including cardiovascular diseases. The recently identified bacterium, *Filifactor alocis*, is now considered to be a key player in adult periodontitis. Its ability to adhere to host tissues with its collagen-rich extracellular matrix is a critical step in the infection/disease process. The researcher hypothesized that *F. alocis* collagenase and collagen adhesin proteins play a role in attachment and modulate virulence through multiple mechanisms. Results showed that inactivation of the collagen adhesin gene led to a marked reduction in *Filifactor's* ability to adhere to and invade epithelial cells. The recombinant collagenase protein degraded collagen and induced cell death by apoptosis in oral keratinocytes. Collectively, this study shows that the collagen-related proteins in *F. alocis* play a role in its pathogenicity and could be important therapeutic targets.

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Dissertation: Chitosan Microparticles: A Potential Gene-Delivery Vector to Augment CD59 Expression in Human Cerebrovascular, Smooth-Muscle Cells

Cerebral amyloid angiopathy (CAA)—a common comorbidity with Alzheimer's disease (AD), presents with vascular amyloid-beta plaques, concurrent activation of complement, and subsequent destruction of vascular smooth muscle cells (vSMC). Complement is an antimicrobial immune cascade that results in a lytic pore. Normally, complement-mediated destruction of somatic cells is blocked by expression of CD59. However, CD59 is not adequately upregulated in the vessels of CAA/AD patients. This study explored chitosan microparticles (MPs) as a nonviral gene-delivery vector to deliver CD59 cDNA aiming at rescuing human vSMC from complement-mediated damage. The research found that chitosan itself—independent of a cDNA payload—may augment expression of CD59 in primary human smooth muscle cells. Furthermore, MPs at physiologic doses are nontoxic and their physical properties are responsive to the selected delivery vehicle, making them an attractive alternative to virus-driven gene therapy for augmenting CD59.

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Dissertation: Comparative Studies of TSLP and IL-7 in Normal Early Human Neonatal and Adult B Cell Development

Defining the role of cytokines in promoting human B cell development is important for understanding B cell leukemia and for developing strategies to restore B cell production following some therapies. This study investigated the role of TSLP and IL-7, in early stages of normal human B cell development. Using novel *in vitro* and *in vivo* model systems we show that TSLP and IL-7 play complementary roles in expanding the number of B cell precursors. TSLP acts on the most immature B cells to expand neonatal B cell production 3-5 fold above that observed with IL-7 alone. However, TSLP has no effect on adult B cell production which is dependent on IL-7. This information is important in developing strategies to restore B cell production after therapy; and provides a rationale for targeting the TSLP-signaling pathway in developing therapies for high-risk B cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia.

Pharmacology

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Dissertation: Dietary Intake and Bio-Activation of Nitrite and Nitrate in Newborn Infants

Nitrate and nitrite are commonly thought of as inert end products of nitric oxide (NO) oxidation, carcinogenic food additives, or well-water contaminants. However, studies have shown nitrate and nitrite playing important roles in cardiovascular and gastrointestinal homeostasis through conversion into NO via a system involving enterosalivary recirculation, bacterial nitrate reductases, and reduction of nitrite to NO. The diet is a source of nitrate in adults; however, infants ingest significantly less nitrate. Oral bacteria convert nitrate to nitrite, which has gastro-protective effects. However, these nitrate-reducing bacteria are relatively inactive in infants. Nitrite acts as a reservoir of NO bioactivity, protecting against ischemic injury, yet plasma nitrite falls dramatically at birth and remains lower than in adults for the first few weeks of life. The importance of the diminished nitrate→nitrite→NO axis in infants and its implications in newborn diseases are yet to be determined.

Physiology

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Dissertation: Interferon Beta Attenuates Neuronal Apoptosis via the JAK1/STAT3/BCL-2 Pathway in a Rat Model of Neonatal Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy

Neonatal hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy (HIE) is an injury that often leads to neurological deficits. There are no established therapies for HIE, and it is critical to develop treatments that provide protection after HIE. Postnatal day 10 rat pups were subjected to unilateral carotid artery ligation followed by 2.5 hours of exposure to hypoxia and intranasal administration of IFN β . The results showed that both interferon beta (IFN β) and the type 1 interferon receptor expression decreases after HIE and can be detected on astrocytes and neurons. Intranasal administration of IFN β could be detected in the central nervous system, reduce brain infarction volumes, and improve neurological behavior tests 24 hours after HIE. Western blot analysis also revealed that IFN β treatment stimulated STAT3 and BCL-2 expression, leading to a decrease in cleaved caspase-3 expression after HIE. Fluoro Jade C staining also demonstrated that IFN β was able to decrease neuronal apoptosis.

Jacques Christian Mbongue
B.S. Oakwood University 2012

Dissertation: Mechanism of Chimeric Vaccine-Mediated Immune
Suppression of Human Dendritic Cells

Dendritic cells (DC) interact with T-helper cells to regulate the balance between immunity and tolerance required for immunological homeostasis. Immature human dendritic cells (iDC), inoculated with a chimeric fusion protein containing the pancreatic β -cell auto-antigen proinsulin linked to the cholera toxin B subunit, stimulated biosynthesis of the immunosuppressive enzyme indoleamine 2, 3-dioxygenase (IDO1). Inhibition of the transcriptional activator NF- κ B in vaccinated DCs arrested IDO1 biosynthesis, suggesting a role for NF- κ B in vaccine up-regulation of IDO1. SiRNA inhibition of NF- κ B-inducing kinase phosphorylation of IKK- α blocked DC biosynthesis of IDO1. ChIP analysis of vaccinated DCs showed that RelB-p52 dimers bound to NF- κ B consensus sequences in the IDO1 promoter region, indicating that vaccine stimulation of the NF- κ B noncanonical pathway may be responsible for IDO1 expression *in vivo*. Inhibition of TRAF 2, 3, 6 down-regulated IDO1 biosynthesis suggests CTB-INS may activate the TNFR family-signaling pathway to stimulate IDO1 biosynthesis in vaccinated DCs.

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Dissertation: Role of SLIT2 in Reducing Complications after Surgical Brain Injury

Surgical brain injury (SBI) is the inadvertent injury to brain tissue at the perisurgical site during neurosurgical procedures. Neuroinflammation and blood brain barrier (BBB) disruption are major pathophysiological consequences of SBI that can worsen postoperative outcomes. Using a rat model, this research explored the role of Slit2—an extracellular matrix protein expressed endogenously in the brain—as a potential therapeutic strategy to reduce injury to the perisurgical brain tissue. The researcher observed that endogenous Slit2 increased in the perisurgical site and performed a protective function after SBI. Exogenous recombinant Slit2 pretreatment attenuated neuroinflammation and BBB disruption after SBI, thereby reducing brain edema and improving neurological function. Furthermore, findings showed that recombinant Slit2 reduced neuroinflammation by inhibiting peripheral immune cell infiltration and stabilized BBB endothelial junction proteins via activating Robo receptor signaling pathways. These findings suggest that Slit2 may be beneficial for reducing neurosurgical injury and improving postoperative outcomes in neurosurgical patients.

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Urology (Roger Barnes): John Howe.

Physician's Oath

LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Before God, these things I do promise:

In the acceptance of my sacred calling—

I will dedicate myself to the furtherance of Jesus Christ's healing and teaching ministry.

I will give to my teachers the respect and gratitude which is their due. I will impart to those who follow me the knowledge and experience that I have gained.

The wholeness of my patient will be my first consideration.

Acting as a good steward of the resources of society and of the talents granted me, I will endeavor to reflect God's mercy and compassion by caring for the lonely, the poor, the suffering, and those who are dying.

I will maintain the utmost respect for human life. I will not use my medical knowledge contrary to the laws of humanity. I will respect the rights and decisions of my patients.

I will hold in confidence all secrets committed to my keeping in the practice of my calling.

I will lead my life and practice my art with purity and honor; abstaining from immorality myself, I will not lead others into moral wrongdoing.

May God's kingdom, His healing power, and His glory be experienced by those whom I serve; and may they be made known in my life, in proportion as I am faithful to this truth.

The Scientist's Oath

Before God these things I do promise:

In the acceptance of my sacred calling—

I will dedicate my life to the furtherance of Jesus Christ's healing and teaching ministry.

As a member of the community of scholars, I promise to uphold the values of this body and all that it stands for.

I will give to my teachers the respect and gratitude which is their due.

I will impart to those who follow me, the knowledge and experience that I have gained.

I will extend the boundaries of scientific knowledge with my scholarship, teaching, research and publications.

I will deal fairly and justly with my fellow scientists, and will practice scientific integrity in the handling, acquisition, and interpretation of all data.

I will never misuse my research for personal or financial gain, or for the intentional harm of my fellow human beings.

I will respect the confidences entrusted to me by my research subjects, fellow scientists, and the general public.

May I always strive so as to preserve the finest traditions of this community.

May God's kingdom, His healing power and glory be experienced by me, as I am faithful to this Oath.

School of Pharmacy

	May twenty-nine, one-thirty o'clock, University Mall
	
PRELUDE	Loma Linda Academy Wind Symphony Dr. John Carter, conductor
	The audience is requested to clear the aisles and remain seated.
	Ronald L. Carter, University Commencement Marshal, leading Carlene M. Drake, Andy Lampkin, Arthur B. Marshak, Calvin J. Thomsen, Associate Marshals, assisting
	The President's Party, Members of the University Board of Trustees, LLUH Administrators
Faculty	Processional March (<i>from Die Meistersinger</i>) . . . Richard Wagner (arr. Dale W. Eymann)
Candidates for Degrees	Pomp and Circumstance (Theme from <i>March No. 1: Land of Hope and Glory</i>) . . . Sir Edward Elgar (arr. Clare Grundman)
INVOCATION	Joycelyn Yamzon Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice
WELCOME	Richard H. Hart President of the University
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS	Marilyn M. Herrmann, Interim Dean of the School The President Ronald L. Carter, Provost of the University
RECOGNITION OF RESIDENTS AND FELLOWS	Norm Hamada Director of Clinical Pharmacy Services, Loma Linda University Medical Center

INTRODUCTION
OF SPEAKER

The Interim Dean

ADDRESS

Gerald R. Winslow
Director, Institute for Health Policy and Leadership

ON BEING A WHOLE PHARMACIST

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

The President

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

The Interim Dean

OATH OF A PHARMACIST

Javad Tafreshi
Chair, Department of Pharmacy Practice

BENEDICTION

Rick E. Williams
Vice President for Student Services and Enrollment
Management, Student Services, Loma Linda University

ACADEMIC RECESSION

Second Suite in F, Movement 1: March . . . *Gustav Host*

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SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

Doctor of Pharmacy

Marine Marta Altunyan B.A. California State University, Northridge 2012	Jerry Chen B.S. University of California, Los Angeles 2012
Monica Andrawes B.S. University of California, Irvine 2012	Deborah B. Chien B.S. University of California, San Diego 2012
Averil Gow Austin B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2011	Ji Young Choi B.S. La Sierra University 2011
Naira Daniyelovna Barsegyan B.S. University of California, Los Angeles 2011 M.A. Loma Linda University SR 2015	Adeniyi Nathan Daramola B.S. La Sierra University 2011
Deyana Samir Beshir B.S. University of California, San Diego 2012	Jeff Zhihui Fang B.A. University of California, Berkeley 2001
Christie Emad Aziz Zaki Bolous B.S. University of California, Riverside 2012	Nancy Maria Garcia B.S. University of California, Irvine 2012
Stephanie Marie Borzaga B.A. California State University, Northridge 2012	Marie Samir Girguis B.S. University of California, Irvine 2001
Kristy Thanh Cao B.S. University of California, Irvine 2012	Amanda Mari Golay B.S. University of California, Santa Barbara 2012
Patricia Joann Chaffey B.S. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona 2012 M.A. Loma Linda University SR 2015	Tiffanie Patrice Guy B.S. Valdosta State University 2012
	Katherine Anne Hadikusumo B.S. University of California, Riverside 2010

Millina Michel Hanna B.S. University of California, Irvine 2012	Kyu Suk Kim B.A. University of California, Berkeley 2012
Giana Renee Hasley B.S. University of California, Riverside 2009	Reuben Ilku Kim B.A. University of California, Los Angeles 1999 M.A. Loma Linda University SR 2015
Craig Francis Hatt B.S. California State University, San Marcos 2012	Yonghyun Kim B.S. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona 2008
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Diana Hoang B.S. University of California, Irvine 2012	Christopher Allen LaPointe B.S. California Baptist University 2012 M.A. Loma Linda University SR 2015
Ga Ae Hong B.S. Andrews University 2011	Michael Y. Lee B.S. University of California, Riverside 2011
Khanh Nguyen Huynh B.S. University of California, San Diego 2011	Michael Han Kin Leung B.S. San Francisco State University 2007
Reham Metias Ibrahim Metias B.S. California State University, Dominguez Hills 2012	Chai Sung Lim B.S. University of California, Irvine 2011
Elaine Sohyoung Jahng B.S. Pacific Union College 2009	Thaddeus James Lowe B.S. University of California, Riverside 2012
Amy Yoon Kang B.S. University of California, Los Angeles 2012	Andy Lu B.S. University of California, Riverside 2012
Arbi Keshishian B.S. California State University, Los Angeles 2012	Nancy Yosephine Machmud B.S. California State University, San Bernardino 2012
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Julie Sang A. Kim B.A. California State University, Long Beach 2007	

Timothy Hyun Moon
B.S. La Sierra University 2010

Ki Won Park
La Sierra University

Joo Yong Nam
B.S. La Sierra University 2011

Melvin Cadiz Peralta
B.A. California State University, Long
Beach 2010

Nhi Y. Ngo
B.A. San Jose State University 2012

Jolie Dinh Pham
B.S. University of California, San
Diego 2012

Amy Hoai Nguyen
B.S. University of California, Irvine
2011

Daniel Mario Popa
B.S. University of California, Riverside
2011

An Truong Nguyen
B.S. University of California, Riverside
2012

Angelica Salmorin Rabanal
B.S. University of California, Irvine
2009

Annie Anh Phuong Nguyen
B.S. University of California, Riverside
2012

Kimberly Sue Santa Cruz
B.S. Washington Adventist University
2011

Han Thi Bich Nguyen
B.E. Ho Chi Minh City University of
Technology 2002
M.S. University of Houston, Clear
Lake 2005

Shadi Shafagh
B.A. California State University,
Northridge 2012

Kathy Thu Nguyen
B.S. University of California, Irvine
2011

Nadine Sherif Shokralla
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Angeles 2012

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Bernardino 2012

Nadine Ann Hernandez Siazon
B.S. California State University,
Fullerton 2012

Marina Celeste Odekian
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Angeles 2010

William G. Snow IV
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2012

Roselyne Apiyo Odhiambo
B.S. Newman University 2004

Allison Marie Soria
B.A. California State University, San
Bernardino 2012

Diane Hyemin Oh
B.S. University of California, Irvine
2012

Sandra Sun
B.A. University of the Pacific 2009

Brenna Rae Paasch
B.S. California State University, San
Marcos 2012

Nguyen Bich Ta
B.A. Dordt College 2011

Hans Jerad Teuscher
B.S. Southern Oregon University 2011

Mary Sara Thompson
B.S. California State University,
Channel Islands 2012
M.A. Loma Linda University SR 2015

Christopher Kan-Yuen Tom
B.S. University of California, San
Diego 2009

Uyen Nha Thi Tran
B.S. University of California, Irvine
2012

Carmen Ka Man Wong
B.S. University of California, San
Diego 2011

Hegine Helen Yakhszyan
B.A. California State University,
Northridge 2012

Sharon Zarrabianfard
B.A. California State University,
Northridge 2009

Awards

Community Service Award: James Pinder.

Distinguished Service Award: Nancy Kawahara.

School Alumna of the Year: Caroline Nguyen.

Wil Alexander Whole Person Care: TBA.

Mission Excellence Award: TBA.

Dean's Award: TBA.

President's Award: TBA.

Pharmacy Resident Acknowledgments: Candice Chiaramonte, Danielle Chipchura, Scott Fitter, Joseph Han, Christina Henkel, Kelly Ishizuka, Johnny Jiang, Justin Kinney, William Kuan, Lisa Pham, Caroline Small, Liz van Zyl, Ariani Waworuntu, Erika Wass, Lily Yam.

Pharmacy Infectious Diseases Fellow Acknowledgments: John Veillette, James Truong.

The Pharmacist's Oath

Today, May 29, 2016, I stand on the campus of Loma Linda University before you and in the presence of God. I promise to devote myself to a lifetime of service to others through the profession of pharmacy.

In fulfilling this vow:

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

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

I will respect and protect all personal and health information entrusted to me.

I will accept the lifelong obligation to improve my professional knowledge and competence.


I will hold myself and my colleagues to the highest principles of our profession's moral, ethical, and legal conduct.

I will embrace and advocate changes that improve patient care.

I will utilize my knowledge, skills, experiences, and values to prepare the next generation of pharmacists.

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

School of Dentistry

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INVOCATION	Colleen Whitt Assistant Professor, Department of Dental Hygiene
WELCOME	Richard H. Hart President of the University
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS	Robert A. Handysides, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Yiming Li, Associate Dean for Research Ronald J. Dailey, Dean of the School Ronald L. Carter, Provost of the University
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER	The Dean

ADDRESS	<p>Carol Gomez Summerhays President, American Dental Association</p> <p>MAKE YOUR LIFE EXTRAORDINARY</p>
RESPONSE FOR GRADUATES	<p>Hayley Mohr President of the Class of Graduating Dental Hygienists</p> <p>James Fedusenko President of the Class of Graduating Dentists</p>
CONFERRING OF DEGREES	The President
AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS	<p>The Dean Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Kristi J. Wilkins, Chair, Department of Dental Hygiene D. Graham Stacey, Associate Dean for Admissions and Student Affairs Steven G. Morrow, Assistant Dean for Advanced Education</p>
CHARGE TO THE CLASSES	The Dean
PLEDGE TO DENTISTRY	<p>John B. Won Head and Assistant Professor, Division of General Dentistry</p>
BENEDICTION	<p>Mark Estey Associate Professor, Division of General Dentistry</p>
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Associate in Science

Dental Hygiene

Ignasio Hernesto Alonso	Jillian Marie Eleanor Omalley
Mariela Garcia Armenta	Britney Breanne Pos
Sarah Kathryn Jones	Mary Ellen Rodriguez
Karina Jordan	Diana Sandoval
Nancy Mandujano	Seung Yong Song

Bachelor of Science

Dental Hygiene

Dawn Agustines, cum laude	Jessica Kayla Keife, magna cum laude
Jasmin Diane Ayala	Kathryn Nicole Kinstle
Kirsten Marie Baluyot	Vera V. Kolesnik, cum laude
Jessica Rose Benotti	Jacquelyn Kai-Lai Lee, cum laude
Kavnit Kaur Bhatti	Kristen Lossing, cum laude
Christina Jody Boyd, cum laude	Hannah Jabrell Martin
Lauryn Janay P. Castillo	Cheyenne Brooke Mayfield, magna cum laude
Sophia Amsale Demissie	Hayley Renee Mohr, summa cum laude
Allegra Suzanne Fillmore	Sandra Olague
Sydney Rachel Henderson, cum laude	Ryan Todd Phillips, cum laude
Caitlin Ann-Hanson Herinirina, magna cum laude	

Doctor of
Dental Surgery

Dentistry

Nadine Posthumus	Miguel Angel Serrano
Alexandra Romero Sanchez	Sean Shahriar Shams, cum laude
Emily Christine Sarli, summa cum laude	Michael John Thurston
Marleigh Marie Schwarz	Earvin Torno, cum laude
Wesley Regan Arnold B.S. Walla Walla University 2012	Daniel Aaron Choi B.S. University of California, Los Angeles 2012
Martina M. Assad B.S. University of California, Santa Cruz 2010	Sungjo Justin Choi B.A. University of California, San Diego 2006
Theresa Chalista Baldwin B.S. University of California, Riverside 2005	Joshua Chow B.A. University of California, Irvine 2007
Sameh Alfay Rushdy Bekhit B.S. Pacific Union College 2011	Michael Cooley B.S. Chapman University 2008
David Arthur Bowen B.A. Walla Walla University 2010	Andrew Julian Correces B.A. La Sierra University 2011
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Christina Kelly Cao La Sierra University	Brad T. Cummings B.S. La Sierra University 2010
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Gabriela Elizabeth Hernandez B.S. La Sierra University 2012	Kari Rene Mann B.A. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill 2011
Martina Lilia Howe B.A. Southern Adventist University 2012	Sky O. Martin B.S. University of California, Davis 2007
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Jonathan Eugene Kim B.S. Pacific Union College 2010	Michaela Marie Miller B.S. Humboldt State University 2012

Thomas Keaweiwi Montgomery B.A. Arizona State University West 2010	Robert Shaun Perry, Jr. B.S. Point Loma Nazarene University 2009 M.P.H. Loma Linda University PH 2012
Clara G. Mora University of California, Santa Barbara	Carlos Alberto Poni B.A. La Sierra University 2006
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Derek Ng B.S. La Sierra University 2011	Robert Zachary Rasco B.S. Walla Walla University 2010
Thanhdung Khong Nguyen B.S. University of California, Irvine 2012	Alexander Reimann B.A. California State University, San Bernardino 2012
Theresa T. Nguyen B.S. California State University, Long Beach 2001	Linda K. Sah B.S. University of California, Davis 2011
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Eugene Michael G. Oriola B.S. University of California, Riverside 2012	Natalie Toni Sayegh B.S. University of California, Los Angeles 2012
Nicholas C. Oster B.S. Loyola Marymount University 2005	Preetkamal Kaur Sidhu B.S. University of California, Davis 2006 M.S. Barry University 2012
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Ellen Park B.S. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill 2010 B.S. University of North Carolina at Greensboro 2012	Marie J. Smith B.S. Northwest Nazarene University 2011
Juhee Park B.A. Dankook University 2007	Brandon John Soelberg B.S. Brigham Young University 2012
Jeffery H. Pascal B.S. Oakwood University 2012	Sooyeol S. Sohn B.S. La Sierra University 2012

Esther Heeyeon Song M.S. Stanford University 2008	Charlene Tan Veranunt B.S. University of the Pacific 2011
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International Dentist Program

The following degrees were awarded March 18, 2016

Sara Abolmaali, MAR D.D. Islamic Azad University 1996	Ehsan Eslami, MAR D.D. Islamic Azad University 2007
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Omran Bishbish, MAR B.D.S. University of Damascus 2008	Tara F. Khamo, MAR B.D.S. University of Baghdad 2004
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Master of Science

Implant Dentistry

Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics

Fernando Esau Mercado-Garcia, MAR
D.D.S. EQUIV. Universidad Autonoma de Baja California 2012

Roshanak Momen, MAR
D.D. Islamic Azad University 2009

Amir Hossein Mossadegh, MAR
D.D.S. Ajman University of Science and Technology 2008

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B.D.S. Baba Farid University of Health Sciences 2011

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B.D.S. University of Baghdad 1990

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DIPLOM. Ivano-Frankivsk State Medical University 2001

Giovanna Voshall, MAR
D.D.S. EQUIV. Universidade de Itauna 1997

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BACH. EQUIV. Universitatea de Stat de Medicină și Farmacie "Nicolae Testemițanu" 1996

In conjunction with the Faculty of Graduate Studies

Keerthi Senthil, DEC
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B.S. Brigham Young University 2010
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D.D.S. Loma Linda University SD 2014

Taoran Zhang
B.M.S. Peking University 2003
PH.D. Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai 2010
D.D.S. University of Detroit Mercy 2014

Pediatric Dentistry

Ryan Bakhshi Baker
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M.P.H. A.T. Still University of Health Sciences 2014
D.M.D. A.T. Still University of Health Sciences 2014

Periodontics

Saylee Yogendra Nimbalkar B.D.S. Maharashtra University of Health Sciences 2007	Mona Monzavi Rahimi B.A. University of California, Santa Barbara 2009 D.M.D. University of Pittsburgh, Main Campus 2013
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Prosthodontics

Abdulaziz Abdullah A. Alhelal B.D.M.S. King Saud University 2011	Miguel Jose Pappaterra D.D.S. EQUIV. Universidad Iberoamericana Santo Domingo, 2005 D.D.S. Loma Linda University SD 2010
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Master of Science in Dentistry

Endodontics

Robert James Jensen B.S. University of Alberta, Edmonton 2001 D.D.S. University of Alberta, Edmonton 2005	Atosa Mehrfar, DEC B.S. University of Toronto 2006 D.D.S. University of Toronto 2010
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Implant Dentistry

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Pediatric Dentistry

Ava Pei Chung, DEC
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Luz Adriana Cuellar Perdomo
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Prosthodontics

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First Professional Certificate

Dental Anesthesiology

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Implant Dentistry

Bader Al-Bader
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Adrian Dumitrescu
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M.MUS. University of Southern
California 1995
D.D.S. Loma Linda University SD 2001

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Jason Michael Rogers
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2006
D.D.S. University of California, San
Francisco 2012

Justin Mac Weaver
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D.D.S. Loma Linda University SD 2014

Scott Terrell Peterson
B.S. Brigham Young University 2010
D.M.D. Western University of Health
Sciences 2014

Taoran Zhang
B.M.S. Peking University 2003
PH.D. Icahn School of Medicine at
Mount Sinai 2010
D.D.S. University of Detroit Mercy 2014

Pediatric Dentistry

Ryan Bakhshi Baker
B.S. University of California, San
Diego 2010
M.P.H. A.T. Still University of Health
Sciences 2014
D.M.D. A.T. Still University of Health
Sciences 2014

Xuan T. Lam
B.S. University of California, Riverside
1999
M.S. San Diego State University 2003
D.M.D. University of Pennsylvania
2007

Luz Adriana Cuellar Perdomo
TITULO Pontificia University
Javeriana 2000

Amanda Sue Zenthoefer
B.S. Walla Walla University 2010
D.D.S. Loma Linda University SD 2014

Periodontics

Saylee Yogendra Nimbalkar
B.D.S. Maharashtra University of
Health Sciences 2007

Mona Monzavi Rahimi
B.A. University of California, Santa
Barbara 2009
D.M.D. University of Pittsburgh, Main
Campus 2013

Prosthodontics

Abdulaziz Abdullah A. Alhelal
B.D.M.S. King Saud University 2011

Jefferson L. Clark
B.S. Centenary College 2006
D.D.S. Loma Linda University SD 2013

Yueh-Ling Chao
D.D.S. Chung Shan Medical University
2009

Awards

DENTISTRY

Academy of Dentistry International Student Servant Leadership Award: Robert S. Perry.

Academy of General Dentistry: Allison N. Craig.

Academy of Operative Dentistry: Alexander Reimann.

Academy of Osseointegration Implant Dentistry: Andrew J. Correces.

Alpha Omega Certificate of Academic Achievement: Brandon J. Soelberg.

Alumni Association Award: David A. Bowen.

American Academy of Implant Dentistry: Omran Bishbish.

American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology: Brandon J. Soelberg.

American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology: Brett Z. Jessen.

American Academy of Oral Medicine: Theresa C. Baldwin.

American Academy of Orofacial Pain: Allison N. Craig.

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry: Preston S. Stewart.

American Academy of Periodontology: Alexander Reimann.

American Association of Endodontists: Daniel A. Choi.

American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons: Brandon J. Soelberg.

American Association of Oral Biologists: Alvina H. Choi, Daniel A. Choi, Ga Yeun Lee.

American Association of Orthodontists: Thanhdung K. Nguyen.

American College of Dentists, Southern California Section: Theresa C. Baldwin.

American College of Prosthodontists: John M. Buie.

American Dental Society of Anesthesiology: James Fedusenko.

American Student Dental Association: James W. C. Fedusenko.

Boyko Award for Christ-like Service: John M. Buie.

California Dental Association Senior Award: Marianne C. Demirdji.

CDA Foundation Research Table Clinic Scholarship (D3):
3rd Place—Alvina H. Choi, Daniel A. Choi, Andrew J. Correces, Ga Yeun Lee, Steven S. Sohn, Gaetan K. Tchamba; Honorable Mention—John M. Buie, Michael C. Cervantes, Michael Cooley, Gregory M. K. McEwen, Douglas Nyakundi, Brian G. Park, Paul R. Quinto.

Clinic Awards: Minyoung Cho, Michael Cooley, Hui Liu, Kari R. Mann, Gregory M. K. McEwen, Alexander Reimann, Hengameh Safarcherati, Natalie T. Sayegh, Preston S. Stewart, Maria D. Wright.

Delta Dental Student Leadership Award: John M. Buie.

Dental Trade Alliance Foundation Scholarship: John M. Buie.

District 11 Delegate of the Year (ASDA) Award: James W. C. Fedusenko.

Fixed Prosthodontics Award: Minyoung Cho.

ICOI/Dentsply Pre-doctoral Student Achievement Award: Michael Cooley.

International College of Dentists: James W. C. Fedusenko.

LLU Center for Dental Research Basic Science Award (D2): Robert N. Saunders.

LLU International Dentist Program Fixed Prosthodontics Award: Hengameh Safarcherati.

LLU International Dentist Program Removable Prosthodontics Award: Mustafa Al-Adami.

National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Dentists:
Martina L. Howe.

Oesterling-Wical Removable Prosthodontics Award: Maria
D. Wright.

Omicron Kappa Upsilon: Theresa C. Baldwin, Omran
Bishbish (IDP), Andrew J. Correces, Allison N. Craig,
Marianne C. Demirdji, Colby E. Haines, Brett Z. Jessen,
Gregory M. K. McEwen, Thanhdung K. Nguyen,
Hengameh Safarcherati (IDP), Robert N. Saunders,
Brandon J. Soelberg.

Omicron Kappa Upsilon, William S. Kramer Award for
Excellence: Brandon J. Soelberg.

Oral and Facial Surgeons of California Award: Urie K. Lee.

Pierre Fauchard Academy: Gregory M. K. McEwen.

Pierre Fauchard Academy Foundation Scholarship (D3)
James W. C. Fedusenko.

President's Award: Michael Cooley.

Prince Award: James W. C. Fedusenko.

Service Learning Award: Michael C. Cervantes, Eugene M.
G. Oriola, Linda K. Sah, Maria D. Wright.

Southern California Academy of Oral Pathology: Colby E.
Haines.

Southern California Society of Dentistry for Children:
Linda K. Sah.

Terry Tanaka Student Humanitarian Award (D3): Robert S.
Perry.

Western Society of Periodontology: Brandon J. Soelberg.

Wil Alexander Award: Michael Cooley.

Wilfred Nation Award: Martina L. Howe.

DENTAL HYGIENE

Dean's Award: Hayley R. Mohr.

American Association of Public Health Dentistry: Jasmin D. Ayala.

Bates Award: Britney B. Pos.

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CDHA California Dental Hygienist's Association: Sandra Olague.

Clinician's Award: Sarah K. Jones.

Colgate STAR Award: Earvin Torno.

Klooster Humanitarian Award: Sean S. Shams.

Middleton Award: Janay P. Castillo, Seung (James) Song.

Mitchell Award: Hayley R. Mohr, Britney B. Pos.

Service Learning Award: Jessica K. Keife, Emily C. Sarli.

Sigma Phi Alpha Award: Caitlin Hanson-Herininirina, Jessica K. Keife, Hayley R. Mohr, Britney B. Pos.

Student of the Year Award: Hannah J. Martin.

Tri-County Dental Hygienist's Society Award: Sarah K. Jones.

Western Society of Periodontology Award: Karina Jordan.

The Dentist's Oath

**Before God and all present,
these things I do declare:**

I will live my life in the service of humanity.

I will promote and practice the charity I owe humankind and endeavor to reflect God's mercy and compassion in the practice of dentistry.

I will uphold and promote the honor and dignity of my profession. I will strive to conduct myself so that I may merit the respect and confidence of my colleagues.

I will accept my civic responsibilities.

I will hold in gratitude the teachings of my school and the inspiration of my teachers and classmates.

I will impart to those who follow me the knowledge, skills, and experience I have gained.

I will live my life in a way that brings honor to my family, my profession, my community, my school, and my God.

School of Allied Health Professions

Allied Health Studies, Cardiopulmonary Sciences, Clinical Laboratory Science, Health Informatics and Information Management, Nutrition and Dietetics, Physician Assistant, Radiation Technology

June twelve, eight o'clock, Drayson Center



PRELUDE

Alva Waworoendeng, keyboard

Selected Compositions

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The audience is requested to clear the aisles and remain seated.

Ronald L. Carter, University Commencement Marshal,
leading

W. Lawrence Beeson, G. Charles Dart, Marilyn Eggers,
Ardis R. Wazdatskey, Associate Marshals, assisting

The President's Party, Members of the University Board of
Trustees, LLUH Administration

Faculty

Festive Trumpet Tune . . . *David German*

Candidates for Degrees

Pomp and Circumstance Military March, Op. 39, No. 1 . . .
Sir Edward Elgar

INVOCATION

Terry D. Douglas
Chair and Associate Professor, Department of
Communication Sciences and Disorders

WELCOME

Richard H. Hart
President of the University

MUSICAL SELECTION

Tyretel Iancu
Class of 2016

A Living Prayer . . . *Alison Krauss*

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Craig R. Jackson, Dean of the School
The President
Ronald L. Carter, Provost of the University

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ADDRESS

Dilys A. Brooks
Associate Chaplain, Loma Linda University

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CONFERRING OF DEGREES

The President

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS
AND
CHARGE TO THE CLASSES

The Dean

Helen Martinez, Assistant Dean of Admissions and
Records

Health Care Administration, B.S.: Karla G. Lavin-Williams

Health Professions Education, M.S.: Arthur B. Marshak

Cardiopulmonary Sciences: David Lopez, Chair

Cardiac Electrophysiology Technology, A.S., Certificate:
Alan Alipoon

Emergency Medical Care, B.S.: Ehren Ngo

Respiratory Care, B.S.: Richard Nelson

Advanced Practitioner Respiratory Care, B.S.: David Lopez

Clinical Laboratory Science: Rodney M. Roath, Chair

Clinical Laboratory Science, B.S.: Katherine Davis

Cytotechnology, B.S.: Meg Tavares

Health Information Management: Debra L. Hamada, Chair

Health Information Administration, B.S.: Pauline Calla

Coding Specialist, Certificate: Braden Tabisula

Health Informatics, M.S.H.I.: Debra L. Hamada

Nutrition and Dietetics: Cindy Kosch, Chair

Nutrition and Dietetics, B.S. and M.S.: Kyndra Woosley

BENEDICTION

ACADEMIC RECESSION

Physician Assistant Sciences: Gerald Glavaz, Chair

Radiation Technology: Laura L. Alipoon, Chair

Medical Radiography, A.S.: Brenda L. Boyd

Radiation Sciences, B.S.: Timothy L. Seavey

Radiologist Assistant, M.S., Certificate, B.S.: Brigit C. Mendoza

Cardiac and Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Certificate:
Marie De Lange

Medical Dosimetry, Certificate: Carol A. Davis

Nuclear Medicine Technology, B.S.: Erma Ezpeleta

Radiation Sciences, M.S.: Michael F. Iorio

Radiation Therapy, Certificate: Carol A. Davis

Communication Sciences and Disorders students, signing

The Lord's Prayer . . . *Malotte*

Postlude on the Old Hundredth . . . *Fred Bock*

The audience is requested to clear the aisles and remain seated during the recession.

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To minimize distracting others during the ceremony, guests are requested to observe the following picture-taking courtesies: *Please do not—*

- use a flash or additional lighting;
- walk in the main aisles or in front of the platform;
- stand except very briefly in the audience line of vision.

Candidates for Degrees

CERTIFICATE

Department of Cardiopulmonary Sciences

Cardiac Electrophysiology Technology

The listing of a candidate's name in the commencement program is presumptive evidence of graduation but is not to be regarded as conclusive.

Noel Giroux Isada

David Edward Skillin

Teresa Marie Lang

Tyrone Brandon Sturgis

John Patrick Laufenburger

Department of Health Informatics and Information Management

Coding Specialist

Vanessa Frances Adamucci, DEC

Debra Sue Nosanov

Marinela Marquez Davis, DEC

Amber Yvette Rosales, MAR

Sandra Yuki Itonaga, MAR

Daisy Vega, DEC

Michelle Lynn McClendon,
MAR

Michelle N. Yankee, MAR

Health Information Administration

Taejoon Lee

Maribel Rodriguez

Department of Radiation Technology

Computed Tomography

Pablo Alfredo Gutierrez
Marquez, MAR

John Alexander Villalobos, MAR

Computed Tomography and Magnetic Resonance Imaging

Julie Ann Cervantes

Leonardo Abiera Cristobal, Jr.

Frank Chiang

*Diagnostic Cardiac
Sonography*

Ashley Nichole Campos

Alexander William Mosiak

Mason Thomas Guillian

Adrianna Nicole Perez

Kimberly Marie Howard

Nizar Joseph Slim

Diagnostic Medical Sonography

Ashley Jean Ajax

Mystique Marie McCormick

Michelle Amy Barsook

Michelle Quynh Mai Tran

Caitlin Elizabeth Bennett

Men Thi Van

Nazanin Khalilzadeh Birjandi

Traci Nicole Voelker

Manon Erzsebet De Aviani

Kristin Marie Wilson

Dino Soo Ikeda

Magnetic Resonance Imaging

Stephanie Nhi Banh, SEP

Braulio Manuel Fregoso, Jr., SEP

Amanda Grace Chengcuenca

Melanie Jean Moors, MAR

Gable William DeWeese, SEP

Courtney Nichole Morton, SEP

Eric Lazo Diano, SEP

Cindy Ong, SEP

Medical Dosimetry

Fulton Keith Lupo, DEC

Catherine Jean Rylands, DEC

Radiation Therapy Technology

Karissa Elise Brinley, DEC

Tifinnie Rose Hibbard, DEC

Jacqueline M. Garcia, DEC

Rachel Rivera, DEC

Erika Maria Gonzales, DEC

Delmer Edson Verde, DEC

Kurtis Ray Griffis, DEC

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

Department of
Cardiopulmonary Sciences

*Cardiac Electrophysiology
Technology*

Mary Catherine Ancona

Michelle Christine Kujawa

Oscar Angulo

Amanda Joy Weyhrauch

Department of
Radiation Technology

Medical Radiography

Kelvin Michael Kazu Akamine	Eloysa Joanna Lara
Ema Arellano Gutierrez	Jing Leong Legaspi
Jonathan Stephen Baker	Stacy Marie Lemerond
Nathan Alan Blunt	Erica Lynn Luna
Eunice Castro	Maria Rosa Marchetti
Kayla M. Caulley	Joseph Fredrick Marchiano
Andrew Francis Chatigny	Evan Anthony Moore
Whitney Daugherty	Laura Nicole Motsenbocker
Dallas Lyndon Davis	Ky Phi Nguyen
Daniela Ivette Esperanza	Cesar Romero, Jr.
Caycee Ann Foss	Jessica Romo
Kenton Wolfgang Fritz	Luz Ruizhernandez
Maxi Alisa Frobe	Cassandra C. Salazar
Robert F. Hamilton	Stephen Roy Sorensen
Nicole Aimee Marguerite Izvernari	Tresa Menora St Hill
Charles Kang	Jonathan James Zorn

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Department of
Allied Health Studies

Health Care Administration

Promise S. Arnold, MAR	Amanda Kelsey Helton
Jonathan Paul Deroko, MAR	Staci Jacqueline Marshall-Jacobo, DEC, cum laude
Jurell Sinobago Fajardo	

Department of
Cardiopulmonary Sciences

*Advanced Practitioner
Respiratory Care*

Shyana Masih

Jesse Covert Richards

Ave Mikaelah Nowosielski

Johanes Kids Weku

Ruby Pasco, DEC

Paul Michael Casillas, cum
laude

Charliemagne Engalla Ponciano

Mihaela Claudia Siller

Michael Christopher Charvis,
magna cum laude

Danhill Joseph Virgo

Emergency Medical Care

Corina Scurtu, cum laude

Shannah Shafiq Sharifali

Respiratory Care—Entry Level

Alyssa Ann Bestwick, cum
laude

Brendon Tyler Parfitt, cum laude

Kalia Irene Espinoza, cum laude

Sarah Louise Simmons, cum
laude

Adriana Beatriz Justiniano, cum
laude

Kristina Elizabeth Spalding

Nicole Cathleen Meyer, cum
laude

Clint Eduardo Tombo

Department of
Laboratory Science

Clinical Laboratory Science

Negin BaratiMarnani, cum
laude

Lara Erika Patos Del Mundo,
cum laude

Rachel Kristine Cacho, cum
laude

Lisa Marie Fierro

Edward Chung, cum laude

Katherine Lynn Hamorsky, cum
laude

Nixon Nueva Corpuz, cum
laude

Ana Isabel Licup Jacinto, summa
cum laude

Department of Health
Information and
Information Management

*Health Information
Administration*

Catrina Placido Ladinez, cum laude	Anish Sharma
Frank Miramontes	Nivesh Shrestha, cum laude
Ryann Edwin Pulido II	Kevin Tan, cum laude
Christopher Aaron Ratter, cum laude	Stephanie Abigail Zebedeus, cum laude
Amanda Joy Santa Maria, cum laude	

Farrah Mendoza Crosby, cum laude	Megan Samantha Pyo, cum laude
Leslie Nunovero Fargo	Stephanie Sara Rizik
Thien Kim Phan Nguyen	Phillip Anthony Ruiz
Tuyen Thanh Nguyen	Agnes Levapau Taione
Dohwoong Park	Chad Daniel Walker

Department of Nutrition
and Dietetics

Nutrition and Dietetics

Rebecca Jane Borjas, cum laude	Lauryn Nicole Mundt, cum laude
Wendy Y. Castro, cum laude	Stephanie Ann Risaliti, cum laude
Elizabeth Camille Cazares	
Magdalena Cojocar, summa cum laude	Eunice Tay Hui Yu, magna cum laude
Amanda Noel Curti	Tiffany Rosalind Teerawatananont, cum laude
Khadeja Ghaniezadeh	Kimberly Richelle White

Department of
Radiation Technology

Nuclear Medicine Technology

Krita Yagnesh Parekh	Salpy Semerdjian, magna cum laude
Makayla Marie Payne, cum laude	Daniel Mario Vargas
Mazyar Ahmad Salamat	

Radiation Sciences

Elizabeth Alexis Amado	Kurtis Ray Griffis, summa cum laude
Blanca Bernice Beltran, cum laude	Timothy Yoshio Hahn, magna cum laude
Diana E. Cabrera, DEC	Eun Hye Kim, SEP, cum laude
Amanda Grace Chengcuenca, MAR	Denny Duane Moore, MAR, cum laude
Corey Cox	Judy Phuong
Augusto Dyer	Lee R. Salcido
Daniel Faaeteete	Cleo Janae Schoolfield, cum laude
Sheri Lynn Fletcher, MAR, cum laude	Tiffany Ann Senstock
Cynthia Rose Gary	

MASTER OF
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

Department of Physician
Assistant Sciences

Physician Assistant

Justin James Archibald B.S. Weber State University 2013	Travis Jon Brault B.A. Vanguard University of Southern California 2008
Adriana Alicia Barrier B.A. Chapman University 2008	Tara Lynn Buck B.S. Minot State University 2006
Jeffrey G. Bauer B.S. Arizona State University, Main Campus 2008	Brent Cadogan B.S. California State University, San Bernardino 2008

Nicholas Huang Cole B.A. Simpson University 2013	Christopher Chad Norton B.S. Walla Walla University 2007
Daniel Czarniawski B.S. Western Carolina University 2013	Abel Misael Ortega Diaz B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2008
Kevin Drake B.A. Arizona State University, Main Campus 2009	Audrey Elizabeth Payne B.S. California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo 2012
Ryan Thomas Gore B.S. California State University, Fullerton 2011	Aivi Lyn Phung B.S. University of California, San Diego 2012
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Rebekah Elizabeth Felice Herrick B.A. University of California, Santa Cruz 2011	Beverly Salazar Ruppert B.S. California State University, Fullerton 2004
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Brian Sun Ko B.S. Trident University International 2010	Kevin Nicholas Schwartzel B.A. California State University, Long Beach 2009
James Stewart Mitchell B.A. Westmont College 2000 M.A. Biola University 2003	Hagent Lawrence Shue B.A. University of California, Los Angeles 2000
Marcel Lumbala Mpiana B.S. Boise State University 2012	Loren Louise Vaughan B.S. New Mexico State University, Main Campus 2006 M.S. University of New Mexico, Main Campus 2009
Gregory James Musselman B.S. Andrews University 2012	
Natalie Anastasia Nealeigh B.S. Biola University 2013	

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Department of Allied Health Studies

Health Professions Education

Alina Tatianna Winter
B.S. Weber State University 2012

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B.S. Walla Walla University 2012

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M.S. University of Pittsburgh, Main
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M.H.S. University of Indianapolis 2009
D.SC. Loma Linda University AH 2014
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Department of Health Informatics and Information Management

Health Informatics

Abdullah Fawaz Alenazi
B.S. King Saud University 2002

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Angeles 2013

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DIPL. LIC. Universidade Federal de
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Ruth Domingo Reyes-Padilla
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Michael Richard Ross
B.S. Loma Linda University AS 1980
M.S. California State University, San
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Arnie Javier Salgado
B.A. California State University, San
Bernardino 2010

Arvin A. Tanag
B.S. Southern Adventist University
2009

Tammy Choi Young
B.S. University of California, Riverside
2013

Lynnsey Gayle Zirkelbach
B.S. Indiana University Bloomington
2012

Department of Nutrition
and Dietetics

*Nutrition Care
Management*

*Nutrition and
Dietetics*

Anna G. Harleman
B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2003

Wafa Mohammad Alotaibi
B.H.SC. King Faisal University 2009

Asma Abdallah Alturkey
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Erika Ashley Carbajal
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2012

Giordano Davide Castranova
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Megan Brittany DeMeritt
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Jacquelyn Dolor Lising
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Angeles 2009

Dalila Isabel Ruiz
B.S. La Sierra University 2010

Katelyn Renee Thomas
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Alysha Ruth Yarbrough
B.S. California Baptist University 2009

MASTER OF SCIENCE
IN RADIATION SCIENCES

Department of
Radiation Technology

Radiation Sciences

James Robert Cruise II
B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2011

Lauryn Alayne Leong
B.S. University of California, Los
Angeles 2011

Hardyal Singh
B.S. Adventist University of Health
Sciences 2011

MASTER OF SCIENCE
IN RESPIRATORY CARE

Department of
Cardiopulmonary Sciences

Respiratory Care

Joshua A. Avritt
B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2015

Scott Nicholas Galech
La Sierra University

Sarah Renae Murphy
B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2010

Rajbeer Kaur Singh
B.S. California State University,
Channel Islands 2008

Awards

DEPARTMENT OF CARDIOPULMONARY SCIENCES

*Cardioelectrophysiology,
Certificate*

Faculty Award: John Laufenburger.

Rising Star: Teresa Lang.

Cardioelectrophysiology, A.S.

Faculty Award: Mary Ancona.

Rising Star Award: Amanda Weyhrauch.

Emergency Medical Care, B.S.

AMR Scholarship Award: Corina Scurtu, Shannah Sharifali.

Respiratory Care, B.S.

Faculty Award: Brendon T. Parfitt.

DEPARTMENT OF CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE

Distinguished Alumnus: Paul Chiou.

Chair's Award: Ana Jacinto.

Faculty Award: Kevin Tan.

Rising Star Award: Nixon Nueva Corpuz.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

Faculty Award: Phillip Ruiz.

Shaffer Award: Farrah Crosby, Maribel Rodriguez.

Rising Star Award: Taejoon Lee.

Health Information Administration Scholarship:
Jeehyun Esther Choi, Sophie Matthews, Guilherme
McConnell.

Sally Jo Davidian Scholarship: Kristine Bersalona, Vanessa
Jara, Donna Le, Gina Martinez.

Margaret Jackson Scholarship Fund: Farrah Crosby,
Megan Pyo, Stephanie Rizik, Maribel Rodriguez,
Agnes Taione.

Elizabeth Guerra Scholarship: Megan Pyo.

Smart Corporation Scholarship: Henry Pha, Jessica Stewart.

DEPARTMENT OF
NUTRITION AND
DIETETICS

Dean's Award: Andrea Fanica.

Lydia Sonnenberg Scholarship: Jacquelyn Dolor Lising.

Nutrition and Dietetics Scholarship: Bianca Avila, Amanda Curti, Stephanie Ann Risaliti, Eunice Tay Hui Yu.

Kathleen Keen Zolber Scholarship: Asma Alturkey, Andrea Fanica, Tonya Jorgensen Larson.

Martha Miller Scholarship: Megan Brittany Demeritt, Alysha Ruth Yarbrough.

Ruth Little Nelson Scholarship: Kimberly Richelle White.

Rising Star: Michelle Pecheck.

Distinguished Alumna of the Year: Sandra Roberts.

DEPARTMENT OF
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT
SCIENCES

Physician Assistant, M.P.A.

Rising Star: Katie Lam.

PA Faculty Award: Hagent Shue.

Department Chair's Award: Daniel Czarniawski.

The Spirit of LLU Physician Assistant Award: Adriana Barrier.

Distinguished Alumnus Award: Darin Rampton.

PA Alumna Award: Beverly Ruppert.

DEPARTMENT OF
RADIATION TECHNOLOGY

Clinical Stilson Award: Nathan Blunt, Stacy Lemerond.

Rising Star Award: Kenton Fritz.

Faculty Award: Maria Marchetti.

Student of the Year Award: Maria Marchetti.

HONORED FACULTY
AND ALUMNI

Distinguished Service Award: Antonio Valenzuela.

Distinguished Alumna of the Year: Sandra Roberts.

Faculty of the Year Award: Katherine Davis.

Trailblazer Award, posthumous: Edd Ashley.

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Communication Sciences and Disorders, B.S.: Terry D.
Douglas, Chair

Communication Sciences and Disorders, M.S.: Karen
Mainess

Occupational Therapy, entry-level M.O.T.: Heather
Javaherian-Dysinger

Occupational Therapy, O.T.D: Liane N. Hewitt, Chair

Physical Therapist Assistant, A.S.: Jeannine Stuart Mendes

Physical Therapy, D.P.T.: Lawrence E. Chinnock, Acting
Chair

Physical Therapy, M.S.R.: Gurinder S. Bains

Physical Therapy, postprofessional D.P.T.: Todd Nelson

Physical Therapy, D.Sc.: Everett B. Lohman

Orthotics and Prosthetics, M.S.: Johannes Schaepper

Rehabilitation Sciences, Ph.D.: Grenith Zimmerman

BENEDICTION

Communication Sciences and Disorders students, signing

The Lord's Prayer . . . *Malotte*

ACADEMIC RECESSION

Postlude on the Old Hundredth . . . *Fred Bock*

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- stand except very briefly in the audience line of vision.

Candidates for Degrees

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ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

Department of Physical Therapy

Physical Therapist Assistant

Michael Romulo Abesamis	Melia Luisa Gullotti
Andrew Dean Alfrey	Rachel Sharisse Hagan
Robert Amador	Tyler Bradley Hoskinson
Luis Avina Arroyo	Aaron Joseph Howley
Kristen Nicole Beall	Domonique Nicolle Jones
Zachary Eugene Bethel	Hillary Anne Juhl
Rebecca Anne Bletscher	Kyle Richard Kunihiro
Garrett James Bundura	Art Alonzo Latios
Andrea Marie Cafferky	Kayne Leeper
Veronica Castrejon	Stazy Samuel Manueke
Liam James Cole	Kelly Nicole Marsh
Sarah Hope Dacko	Danielle Nicole McCree
Gretchen Lynn DeGrote	Karen E. Mendoza
Robert Lara Fajardo	Drew Warner Milner
Aubrienne Elizabeth Felix	Aaron Christopher Mock
Jay Michael Franks	Stephen Obana
Irmira Kaitlin Fredrickson	Aaron Miguel Ortega
Christina Cecilia Gondosaputro	Joseph Esteves Penamora

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Department of
Communication
Sciences and Disorders

*Communication Sciences
and Disorders*

Mariela Quintero	Andrew Clinton Supangkat
Amanda Marie Rajabpoor	Aimee Elizabeth Walnofer
Christian Rivera	Armand Darius Watson
Daniel Benjamin Sandoval	Nichloas Wysocki
Kayla Nicole Stowell	
Ana Lucia Campuzano, cum laude	Rianne Renee Morrison, cum laude
Nicole Justine Pimentel Castillo, MAR	Alexander Manuel Ramos
Taylor Bryann Cooke, cum laude	Kalyse Lanae Rose, summa cum laude
Jessica Marie Cruz, summa cum laude	Danielle Santiago, cum laude
Trisha Nicole Engel, cum laude	Jessica Elizabeth Sayegh, cum laude
Erin Marie Ervin, cum laude	Ariana Christina Lynne Toews
Esther Aleyda Gutierrez	Amanda Martine Uribe, magna cum laude
Rachel Kate Kearbey	Kayla Celine Villamater, summa cum laude
Jasmine Hui-Fang Lee, summa cum laude	
Melissa Mireille Leite, summa cum laude	

MASTER OF
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Department of
Occupational Therapy

Entry-Level M.O.T.

Jessica Ashton Adams B.S. California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo 2011	Sara Grace Katleman, MAR B.A. University of California, San Diego 2012
Milena Barros D.D.S. EQUIV. Universidade Federal de Alagoas 2001	Joyce Khowdee, MAR B.A. University of California, Riverside 1999
Blake Christensen B.A. University of California, Irvine 2009	Rachel Lynn Lawrence, MAR B.A. California State University, Channel Islands 2011
Shannon Elizabeth Corcoran, MAR B.A. University of California, Irvine 2011	Kelly Jennifer Lee B.A. University of California, San Diego 2011
Rainey Marie Davis, MAR B.S. Walla Walla University 2013	Grace Wah-Yin Leung, MAR B.S. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona 2011
Lizet Falstreau, MAR B.S. California State University, Fullerton 2006	Amy Monica Liu, MAR B.A. University of California, Irvine 2012
Tara Lynn Farry, MAR B.A. Concordia University, Irvine 2012	Lindsey Anne Loftus, MAR B.A. University of California, Santa Barbara 2012
Eleanor Mae Galit, MAR B.S. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona 2012	Tiffany Ann Loiurio, MAR B.S. National University 2009
Puja Jay Gohel B.A. University of California, Irvine 2012	Alexander Bruce Macgregor, MAR B.S. Northeastern University 2005
Yoshiaki Goya, MAR B.A. University of California, Los Angeles 2009	Veronica Avril Maravilla, MAR B.A. Walla Walla University 2013
Bi Huynh Idica, MAR B.A. California State University, Long Beach 2012	Megan Lynn Meyer, MAR B.S. University of Arizona 2013
	Kristen Jenetta Moore, MAR B.S. California State University, Fullerton 2012

Karen Quynh Ngo, MAR B.S. California State University, Fullerton 2011	Amanda Maryah-Kristine Shea, MAR B.S. Union College 2012
Saloni Parikh, MAR B.S. University of Southern California 2010	Caesarinne Gabrielle Sprianu, MAR B.S. Andrews University 2012
Kirby Frances Parnala, MAR B.S. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona 2008	Yeranui E. Stambulyan, MAR B.A. California State University, Northridge 2011
Kaitlyn Ann Poshepny, MAR B.A. Loyola Marymount University 2009	Christine Teresa Tambunan, MAR B.S. California State University, Fullerton 2013
Katherine Elizabeth Puccio, MAR B.A. California State University, Long Beach 2012	Minh-Quan Hoang Tran, MAR B.A. University of California, San Diego 2010
Zoryana Stepanivna Ramos Gomez MASTER'S EQUIV. Precarpathian University 1997	Janelle Christine Uht, MAR B.A. California State University, Dominguez Hills 2013
Amanda Christine Rank, MAR B.A. California State University, Northridge 2008	Jason Ryan Villanueva, MAR B.A. California State University, Long Beach 2003
Natasha Safaradi, MAR B.A. University of California, San Diego 2008	Heidi Mellor Wang, MAR B.A. University of California, Berkeley 2005
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MASTER OF SCIENCE

Department of
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and Disorders

*Communication Sciences
and Disorders*

Ericca Nicole Beyer B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014	Corita Jane Brosky B.S. Biola University 2014
Shelbi T. Braun B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014	Ivan Manuel Campos B.S. Longwood University 2013

Elianne Chung B.A. College of William and Mary 2012	Brianna Noel Tipton Mitchell B.A. University of California, Los Angeles 2013
Joele Ghosn B.A. San Diego State University 2014	Aamani Mynampati B.A. University of Pennsylvania 2011
Criccely Grijalva B.A. University of California, San Diego 2013	Alena Navarro B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014
Karina M. Gutman B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014	Carl Lexcille Cautivar Nolasco B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014
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Reanna Marie Halquist B.S. California State University, San Marcos 2010	Jessica Misun Park B.S. Biola University 2013
Mary Ramzy Hanna B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014	Ravyn Leigh Trinio Reid B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014
Lauren Alison Holmes B.A. California State University, Fullerton 2012 M.S. California State University, Fullerton 2014	Catherine Victoria Rowell B.S. Biola University 2014
Meagan Elizabeth Johnston B.A. Southern Adventist University 2011 B.S. Utah State University 2014	Julia K. Sauder B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014
Emily Christina Jutzy B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014	John Rigby Staton B.A. Colorado College 2003 B.S. Utah State University 2013
Karissa Madison Knight B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014	Kyler Eric Sutton B.S. University of Utah 2013
Gina Soledad Laurich B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014	Olivia Leigh Weber B.A. Southern Adventist University 2013
Sarah Jo McKeown B.A. California State University, San Marcos 2013	Lillian Gentle Williams B.S. Appalachian State University 2012
	Nikki Biqian Wu B.A. California State University, Los Angeles 2013

MASTER OF SCIENCE
IN ORTHOTICS AND
PROSTHETICS

Department of
Physical Therapy

Orthotics and Prosthetics

Tobin Abraham, MAR
B.S. University of Houston, University
Park 2009

Steven Lee Bielas, MAR
B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016

Tuan-Tu Duong, MAR
B.A. University of Washington, Seattle
2010

Nazanin Farzadmehr, MAR
B.A. California State University,
Northridge 2011

Alec Friedrich, MAR
B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016

Dara Breanne Gleason, MAR
B.S. Southwestern Adventist
University 2013

Madonna Ibrahim, MAR
B.S. Boise State University 2011

Johnathon Timothy James
Merica, MAR
B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016,
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Isac Michel, MAR
B.S. California State University, San
Marcos 2012

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Sean Davis Nation, MAR
B.S. Pacific Union College 2012

Cody Rikio Shimabukuro, MAR
B.S. University of Hawaii, Manoa 2013

Brandon Mark Wagner, MAR
B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016,
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Johnathan Yang, MAR
B.S. California State University,
Sacramento 2013

Postprofessional M.S.O.P.

Aileen Marie Kingsley, SEP
B.S. California Lutheran University
2005

MASTER OF SCIENCE
IN REHABILITATION

Department of
Physical Therapy

Physical Therapy

Mansoor Ahmed Al-Ameri
B.S.P.T. October 6 University 2012

Oluwaseun Ibitunde Ambode
BACH. EQUIV. Obafemi Awolowo
University 2013

DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Department of
Physical Therapy

Entry-Level D.P.T.

Urvashi Lalit Barbhaya
B.P.T. Maharashtra University of
Health Sciences 2014

Rohana Arokiaswamy Chettiar
B.P.T. Rajiv Gandhi University of
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Health Sciences 2014

Abhay Nagaraj
B.P.T. Rajiv Gandhi University of
Health Sciences 2014

Nandu Narayanan
B.P.T. Kannur University 2012

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B.P.T. Guru Nanak Dev University
2013

Camrie Nicole Ackerman
B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016,
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Neda Amin
B.S. University of California, Los
Angeles 2010

Abigail Arango
B.S. Abilene Christian University 2004

Vanessa Ileen Arredondo
B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016,
cum laude

Kaitlyn Leigh Barilla
B.S. California State University, San
Bernardino 2011

Jonathon Burt
B.S. California State University, San
Bernardino 2007

Jordan Cardoza
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cum laude

Anthony Charles Carratello
B.S. California State University,
Fullerton 2010

Kevin Man-Kit Chan
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Angeles 2012

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Barbara 2012

Wah Wah Maung Chen
B.S. University of California, Irvine
2012

Jeannie Marie Daly
BA California Baptist University 2007

Zachary Matthew Edwards
B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016,
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Clayton Richard Frankian
B.A. Point Loma Nazarene University
2012

Stacey Nicole A. Garma B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, cum laude	Michael Steven Kang B.S. University of California, Riverside 2009
Adam Kaiman Gee B.S. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona 2013	Zaffar Khan B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, summa cum laude
Nicolas Alexander Ghazzoul B.S. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona 2013	Kimberly Ann King B.S. University of California, Riverside 2013
Kristen Rachelle Gordon B.S. California State University, San Bernardino 2010	Samantha Blake Kirtley B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, cum laude
Zackary Eli Gore B.S. Pacific Union College 2009	Jian Kwon B.H.S. Andrews University 2012
Haley Bryn Hamilton B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, cum laude	Keldyn James Lang B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, cum laude
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Allison Faye Hoff B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, cum laude	Marissa Ann Lavalle B.S. California State University, San Bernardino 2011
Phillip Hou B.A. Andrews University 2005	Alan Lee B.S. Andrews University 2009
Christine Ann Hwu B.S. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona 2013	Cooper Young Lee BA California State University, Long Beach 2012
Tyretel A. Iancu B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, magna cum laude	Kyle Richard Leeper B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016
Kari L. Johnson B.S. California State University, Fresno 2013	Melissa Gail Macarewa B.S. Loma Linda University SN 2008
Sean A. Johnston B.S. California State University, San Bernardino 2010	Shaylin Candice McIntyre B.A. Point Loma Nazarene University 2013

Lisa Renee McMillan B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, cum laude	Lulu Silveyra B.S. California State University, Northridge 2010
Haruka Mori B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, summa cum laude	Erin Christine Skrettingland B.S. University of Phoenix, Phoenix Campus 2004
Jeremy Mumu B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, cum laude	Sonya Stratievsky B.S. University of Southern California 2012
Jennifer Megan Nguyen B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, cum laude	Tyler Nicholas Torres B.S. California State University, Fresno 2012
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Sean Schoonover B.A. La Sierra University 2012	Brian R. White B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, cum laude
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Marquita Treemonisha Scott B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016	Lisa Lok Sum Yeung B.A. University of California, Riverside 2013
Mirika Shinjo B.S. Okayama University of Science 2006	Vanya Nathasha Zegarra B.S. Southern Adventist University 2008
James Robert Shoemaker B.S. Loma Linda University IDS 2016, magna cum laude	

Postprofessional D.P.T.

Ruchi Acharya, MAR B.P.T. Maharashtra University of Health Sciences 2009	Sukrut Rajeev Deshpande, MAR B.P.T. Maharashtra University of Health Sciences 2013
Nidhi Vallabh Agrawal, MAR B.P.T. Maharashtra University of Health Sciences 2003	Cresida Melissa Dsouza, MAR B.P.T. Padmashree Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth 2013
Nandita Vasudeo Alwe, MAR B.P.T. Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth 2013	Keyur Bhupendra Gandhi, MAR B.P.T. Maharashtra University of Health Sciences 2013
Rini Rafiq Amlani, MAR B.P.T. Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences 2013	Anila Garikipati, MAR B.P.T. Maharshi Dayanand University 2012
Mohsin Ahmed Munir Ahmed Ansari, MAR B.P.T. Maharashtra University of Health Sciences 2009	Aryanka Arun Hosbetkar, MAR B.P.T. Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences 2008
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I-Chun Chen, DEC B.P.T. Chung Shan Medical University 2003 L.L.B. National Taiwan University 2011 L.L.M. University of Southern California 2012	Snehapriya Venkatraman Iyer, MAR B.P.T. Maharashtra University of Health Sciences 2009
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Miri Choe, MAR B.P.T. Sahmyook University 2011	Savleen Kaur Juneja, MAR B.P.T. Manipal University 2013
Saloni Atul Deorukhkar, MAR B.P.T. Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences 2012	Khusboo Harish Kapuria, MAR B.P.T. MGM Institute of Health Sciences 2013
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Ranjani Kumar, MAR
B.P.T. Sri Ramachandra University
2000

Jinhyun Lee, MAR
B.P.T. Yong In University 2010

Ronak Madhukar Mohite, MAR
B.P.T. Maharashtra University of
Health Sciences 2012

Tatri Mukherjee
B.P.T. Manipal University 2013
M.S. University of Southern California
2015

Sujay Ramachandran Nair, MAR
B.P.T. Padmashree Dr. D. Y. Patil
Vidyapeeth 2013

Siddesh Nelamakanahally
Siddegowda
B.P.T. Rajiv Gandhi University of
Health Sciences 2007
M.P.T. Rajiv Gandhi University of
Health Sciences 2013

Kritika Sanjay Patwardhan,
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B.P.T. Maharashtra University of
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Manali Ganapati Shanbhag,
MAR
B.P.T. Maharashtra University of
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MAR
B.P.T. N.T.R. University of Health
Sciences 2012

Anupkumar Banwarilal Yadav
B.P.T. Maharashtra University of
Health Sciences 2010
M.P.T. Guru Nanak Dev University 2012

DOCTOR OF SCIENCE

Department of
Physical Therapy

Physical Therapy

In conjunction with the Faculty of Graduate Studies

Afnan Mohammednaser A.
Alkhateeb
B.P.T. King Abdulaziz University 2008
M.P.T. Loma Linda University AH 2012

Faisal Mubarak Al Mubarak,
MAR
B.P.T. King Saud University 2004
M.S. University of Evansville 2008

Danah Mohammed H. Alyahya,
DEC
B.A.M.S. King Saud University 2006
M.P.T. Loma Linda University AH 2011

Yvonne Lorraine Biswokarma
B.S. Andrews University 2001
M.P.T. Andrews University 2002

DOCTOR OF
PHILOSOPHY

Department of
Allied Health Studies

Rehabilitation Science

In conjunction with the Faculty of Graduate Studies

Shilpa Baban Gaikwad

B.P.T. Maharashtra University of Health Sciences 2007

M.P.T. Maharashtra University of Health Sciences 2011

Dissertation: The Effect of Progressive Gaze Stability
Exercises on Holistic Aspects of Chronic Motion
Sensitivity: A Randomized Controlled Trial

Gary Guerra Briseno

B.S. Texas A & M University, San Antonio 2009

M.S. Texas A & M University, San Antonio 2012

Dissertation: The Accuracy of the Omron HJ-329 Pedometer in Lower Limb
Prosthetic Wearers Living in Colombia

Adriana Lavi

B.S. Ithaca College 2003

M.S. California State University, Sacramento 2006

Dissertation: A Comparative Study of Pragmatic Judgment Versus Pragmatic
Performance in Five Adolescent Groups

Awards

COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS

President's Award: Brianna Mitchell.
Distinguished Alumna: Abigail Namsang.
Outstanding Senior Award: Kayla Villamater.
E. Evelyn Britt Promising student Award: Kalyse Rose.
Rising Star Award: Lillian Williams.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Alumni Award: Jessica Adams, Richard Zecha.
Faculty Award: Joyce Khowdee, Christine Tambunan.
Edwinna Marshall Leadership Award: Megan Meyer.
Lynn Arrateig Clinical Practice Award: Lizet Falstreau,
Sara Katleman.
Community Outreach Award: Amanda Rank, Jason
Villanueva.
Rising Star Award: Katherine Puccio.
Distinguished Alumna of the Year: Karen Pendleton.
Hamid Jahaverian Scholarship Award: Kirby Parnala.

PHYSICAL THERAPY

Physical Therapist Assistant

Scholarship Excellence Award: Kristen N. Beall, Andrea M.
Cafferky, Hillary A. Juhl, Kelly N. Marsh.
Exceptional Service Award: Kristen N. Beall, Rebecca A.
Bletscher, Irmina K. Fredrickson, Aaron J. Howley,
Armand D. Watson.
PTA Program Faculty Award: Robert Amador, Zachary E.
Bethel, Melia L. Gullotti, Art A. Latios, Kelly N. Marsh,
Kayla N. Stowell, Daniel B. Sandoval, Nichloas Wysocki.
Randall C. Isley Memorial Award: Jay M. Franks.

Doctor of Physical Therapy

Dean's Award: Kaitlyn Barilla.

Community Service Award: Lisa McMillan.

PT Faculty Award: Kaitlyn Barilla, Lisa McMillan.

Scholarship Excellence Award: Kaitlyn Barilla, Jordan Cardoza, Kari Johnson, Sasha Scofield, Marquita Scott, Cheyne Yanagisawa.

Thomas G. Burke Scholarship Award: Abigail Arango, Marissa Lavalley, Melissa Macarewa, Erin Skrettingland.

Jonna Hughes Memorial Scholarship Award: Jennifer Nguyen.

Distinguished Alumnus Award: David Peterson.

Rising Star Award: Trevor Lohman.

Doctoral Student Research

Doctoral Award for Outstanding Research: Iman Akef Khowailed.

HONORED FACULTY
AND ALUMNI


Distinguished Service Award: Antonio Valenzuela.

Distinguished Alumna of the Year: Sandra Roberts.

Faculty of the Year Award: Katherine Davis.

Trailblazer Award, posthumous: Edd Ashley.

School of Public Health

	June twelve, one o'clock, Drayson Center
	
PRELUDE	Alva Waworoendeng, keyboard Selected Compositions
ACADEMIC PROCESSION	The audience is requested to clear the aisles and remain seated. Ronald L. Carter, University Commencement Marshal, leading Winetta Baker-Oloo, Carlene M. Drake, Arthur B. Marshak, Calvin J. Thomsen, Associate Marshals, assisting The President's Party, Members of the University Board of Trustees, LLUH Administrators
Faculty	Festive Trumpet Tune ... <i>David German</i>
Candidates for Degrees	Pomp and Circumstance Military March, Op. 39, No. 1 . . . <i>Sir Edward Elgar</i>
INVOCATION	Jerry Lee Professor
WELCOME	Richard H. Hart President of the University
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS	Helen Hopp Marshak, Dean of the School The President Ronald L. Carter, Provost of the University
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER	The Dean

ADDRESS	<p>Timothy Gillespie Senior Pastor, Crosswalk Church, Redlands, California Chaplain, Azusa Pacific University Assistant Professor, School of Public Health, Loma Linda University</p> <p>SUCCESS, SIGNIFICANCE, SURVIVAL</p>
CONFERRING OF DEGREES	The President
AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS	<p>The Dean Elisa Blethen, Director for M.B.A. Program Dwight Barrett, Executive Associate Dean Sujatha Rajaram, Director for Doctoral Programs Wendy Genovez, Assistant Dean for Academic Records</p>
GRADUATION PLEDGE	<p>Anna Nelson Director, M.P.H. Oncampus and Online Program and Assistant Professor</p> <p>Darrell Kent Petersen Dr.P.H. Degree Candidate in Health Policy and Leadership</p>
BENEDICTION	<p>Joan Sabaté Executive Director, SPH Center for Nutrition, Healthy Lifestyles, and Disease Prevention</p>
ACADEMIC RECESSION	<p>Postlude on the Old Hundredth . . . <i>Fred Bock</i></p> <p>The audience is requested to clear the aisles and remain seated during the recession.</p> <p>Commencement ceremonies will be available for viewing and downloading from the Commencement Web site. Loma Linda University Commencement Web site llu.edu/commencement</p> <p>To minimize distracting others during the ceremony, guests are requested to observe the following picture-taking courtesies: <i>Please do not</i>—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use a flash or additional lighting; • walk in the main aisles or in front of the platform; • stand except very briefly in the audience line of vision.

Candidates for Degrees

Master of Business Administration

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Benton Marcus Baker, MAR B.S. Kettering College of Medical Arts 2014	Melissa A. Hunt B.A. California State University, San Bernardino 2013
Kayla Renee Berry B.S. Oakwood University 2014	Sarah Jean Jessen, MAR B.S. Weber State University 2014
Prabpreet Bhasin B.S. University of California, Riverside 2014	Supreet Kaur B.D.S. Pandit Bhagwat Dayal Sharma University of Health Sciences, Rohtak 2012
Marina A. Black, MAR B.S. University of Redlands 2010	Pailah-meg Elaine Kolleh, MAR B.B.A. Oakwood University 2012
Umeamara Butt B.A. University of California, Berkeley 2011	Yong Hwan Kwon B.S. Pacific Union College 2010 M.D. Loma Linda University SM 2015
Katelynn Elise Christensen, MAR B.S. Pacific Union College 2011	Edward Irvin Maxwell Lowry, MAR B.S. University of Idaho 2013
Tiffani Megan Commander, MAR B.A. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor 2006 M.A. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor 2009	Olivia Nedelea, MAR DIPL. LIC. Universitatea Alexandru Ioan Cuza din Iasi 2007
Anthea M. Gibbons B.S. Loma Linda University AH 1989	Taylor Nicole Nyeholt, MAR B.S. California State University, Long Beach 2014
Amanda Diaz Harrison, MAR B.A. California State University, San Bernardino 2014	Sean O'Reilly B.A. University of California, Los Angeles 2008
Joseph Edward Hewes B.S. University of Redlands 2012	Joseph Anthony Osorio, MAR B.S. La Sierra University 2013
	Vanessa Padilla, MAR B.S. University of Phoenix, Phoenix Campus 2014

Master of Public Health

Su Yun Park B.S. Pacific Union College 2012	Loreen Kay Scott B.A. California State University, San Bernardino 1996
Kevin James Penington, MAR B.S. Walla Walla University 2014	Whitney Paige Smith B.S. La Sierra University 2012
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Jose R. Ramirez, MAR B.A. Pacific Union College 2013	Christian Tchamba, MAR B.S. Andrews University 2014
Donovan James Rivera, MAR B.B.A. Southwestern Adventist University 2007	Justine Charmaine Wilkins, MAR B.A. St Bonaventure University 2013
Krizza Leigh Hortinela Ruiz B.S. California State University, San Marcos 2012	Shaheen Zakaria M.B. Aga Khan University 1991
James Robert Scheu B.S. University of Phoenix, Phoenix Campus 2013	
Erin Renee Acosta <i>global health</i> B.A. Walla Walla University 2009	Ayesha Ali <i>health education</i> B.A. University of the Pacific 2013
Taiwo Adegbemi Adesina <i>global health</i> B.A. Kent State University, Main Campus 2011	Nicole Almanza <i>nutrition</i> B.S. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona 2013
Ricardo Aguilar <i>health education</i> B.S. Loma Linda University AH 2014	Ali Fahed A. Alqahtani, DEC <i>epidemiology</i> B.D.S. King Khalid University 2011
Emilia Ann Aguirre, SEP <i>health education</i> B.S. California State University, Sacramento 2013	Lena Alshukri <i>nutrition</i> B.A. Arizona State University, Main Campus 2011
Katherine Alberto <i>health education</i> B.A. Western Connecticut State University 2011	Rita Amen <i>nutrition</i> B.S. La Sierra University 2014

Omari Jibri Battles

global health

B.B.A. Oakwood University 2010

Melissa Bingham, DEC

global health

B.S.N University of Cincinnati, Main
Campus 2003

Maria Jimena Blandon, MAR

nutrition

B.S. San Diego State University 2009

Kirbee Alexandria Brooks, MAR

health education

B.S. California State University,
Fullerton 2011

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lifestyle medicine

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B.S. University of Washington, Seattle
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University, Pomona 2014

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Dissertation: Polyphenol Intake in the Adventist Health Study-2 Cohort

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Dissertation: Relationship of Covered California to Health-Care Access, Utilization, and Lifestyle Practices in Hispanics

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Dissertation: Effects of Road Diets on Pedestrian and Cyclist Injuries: A Preliminary Analysis

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Dissertation: Bitter Taste and Risk Related to Type-2 Diabetes (BiTR)

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Dissertation: Leadership at the Point of Contact: Exploring Empowering Leadership with Frontline Employees

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B.S. Kent State University, Main Campus 1999

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Dissertation: Gender and Age Differences in Diabetes Self-Management Practices

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M.P.H. University of North Carolina at Greensboro 2011

Dissertation: Ecological Predictors of Health Literacy and Tobacco Use in Black College Students

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M.S. California State University, Fullerton 2008

Dissertation: Evaluating Changes in Family Functioning Following the Shapedown Program

Doctor of Philosophy

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Dissertation: Long-term Concentrations of Ambient Air Pollutants and Risk
of Lung Cancer

Awards

Loma Linda University President's Award: Angie Lam.

Dean's Award: *Master's*—Nina Nguyen; *Master's* ODL—Emily Richter; *Doctoral*—Nasira Buckholder.

School Alumnus of the Year: Desiree Backman.

School Distinguished Service Award—Faculty: Naomi N. Modeste.

School Distinguished Service Award—Staff: Caitriona Sansonetti.

Hulda Crooks Scholarship Award: *Master's*—Briana Hewitt, Christy Mota.

Randall Lewis Fellowship Award: Kirbee Brooks, Jessica Chairez, Katrina Dimacali, Marina Gettas, Adesola Olajide.

Delta Omega Honor Society: Erin Acosta, Omari Battles, Aaron DeLeon, Katrina Dimacali, Jimmy Duong, Dennys Estevez, Weanne Estrada, Bertha Long, Andrew Mashchak, Christina Miller, Christy Mota, Nina Nguyen, Emily Richter, Joanne Rodrigue, Roxanne Wolfe.

Merrit C. Horning Award for Outstanding Student Research: Edward Bitok.

SPH Student Association Awards

William Dysinger Excellence in Teaching: Peter Gleason.

Charlie Liu Award: Jisoo Oh.

Ruth White Award: Catherine Martinez.

Willard and Irene Humpal Award: Weanne Estrada.

Wil Alexander Whole Person Care Award: Magory Dolcy.

Excellence in Global Health Scholarship: Raina Pandit.

GLOBAL HEALTH
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ENVIRONMENTAL AND
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH
PROGRAM

Excellence in Geoinformatics Studies: Meng-Hsien (Kevin)
Tsai, Cheng-Hsiao (Edward) Tsui.

Environmental and Occupational Health Scholarship:
Utkarsh Patel, Sarah Rose Steahly.

HEALTH POLICY AND
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Alexander and Maria Kirk Health Administration
Scholarship: Olivia Nedelea, Shaheen Zakaria.

David S. Penner Scholarship: Maham Chaudhry, Kimberly
McWhorter, Michael Rose.

Selma Andrews Scholarship: Danjuma Daniel.

HEALTH PROMOTION AND
EDUCATION PROGRAM

Glen Blix Award for Excellence in Preventive Care: Monica
Walbolt.

Selma Andrews Scholarship: Dede Teteh.

NUTRITION PROGRAM

Selma Andrews Scholarship: Ahmed Al Abdrabalnabi,
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Fahnestock, Lesley Ann Foster-Nicholas, Kendra Franco,
Lynnley Huey, Angie Lam, Erika Layne, Catherine Park,
Alyssa Perron, Colleen Tan, Kellie Yamahata.

Graduation Pledge

We believe that wholeness of human beings encompasses and integrates the physical, spiritual, social, and mental dimensions.

We pledge to seek this wholeness in ourselves and those we serve.

We believe in the worth and potential of all individuals.

We pledge ourselves to respect the beliefs, ideas, opinions, and cultures of others.

We value our earth and all the resources it provides to us.

We pledge ourselves to care wisely for those resources and to work toward their fair and equitable distribution.

We acknowledge the responsibility of providing education in public health, continuing the legacy of Loma Linda University.

We pledge ourselves to use with integrity and compassion the knowledge and skills we have gained.

We understand that learning is a lifelong process.


We pledge to continue our quest for knowledge and understanding of our world and of ourselves

We acknowledge that true wisdom comes not from people or books alone but from a relationship with the Maker of us all.

We pledge ourselves to seek this wisdom and accept God's strength in doing so.

Students' response italicized

School of Behavioral Health *and* School of Religion

	June twelve, three-thirty o'clock, Drayson Center
	
PRELUDE	Alva Waworoendeng, keyboard Selected Compositions
ACADEMIC PROCESSION	The audience is requested to clear the aisles and remain seated. Ronald L. Carter, University Commencement Marshal, leading Ellen M. D'Errico, Carlene M. Drake, Arthur B. Marshak, Sylvia Stewart, Associate Marshals, assisting The President's Party, Members of the University Board of Trustees, LLUH Administrators
Faculty	Festive Trumpet Tune . . . <i>David German</i>
Candidates for Degrees	Pomp and Circumstance Military March, Op. 39, No. 1 . . . <i>Sir Edward Elgar</i>
INVOCATION	Jon Paulien Dean of the School of Religion
WELCOME	Richard H. Hart President of the University
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INTRODUCTION
OF SPEAKER

Dean of the School of Behavioral Health

ADDRESS

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CONFERRING OF DEGREES

The President

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

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Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies

BENEDICTION

Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies

ACADEMIC RECESSION

Postlude on the Old Hundredth . . . *Fred Bock*

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- use a flash or additional lighting;
- walk in the main aisles or in front of the platform;
- stand except very briefly in the audience line of vision.

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SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Master of Science in Chaplaincy

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DIPL. LIC. University of Bucharest
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Master of Arts

Bioethics

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SCHOOL OF
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Master of Social Work

Social Work

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Annadi Belle Castillo B.S.W. Pacific Union College 2015	Leonor Mendez B.A. California State University, San Bernardino 2007
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MASTER OF SCIENCE

Child Life Specialist

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Gerontology

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Marital and Family Therapy

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MASTER OF ARTS

Family Studies

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Marital and Family Therapy

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Dissertation: Developmental Pedagogy in Marriage and Family Therapy Education

Veronica Patricia Kuhn, DEC

B.A. California State University, San Marcos 2008

M.A. University of San Diego 2011

Dissertation: Getting to the Doctor: BPSS Factors of Health-Care Utilization in Fragile Families

Thomas B. Luttrell

B.A. Andrews University 2006

M.S. Loma Linda University ST 2010

Dissertation: Exploring Factors in the Relationship Balance Assessment

Sarah Khalid Samman

B.S. University of Oregon 2001

M.S. Capella University 2005

M.A. Lewis and Clark College 2012

Dissertation: Relational Empowerment: Establishing a Foundation to Address Gender and Power

Wendella Violet Wray

B.S. Norfolk State University 1996

M.ED. National Louis University 2000

M.S. Loma Linda University ST 2011

Dissertation: A Wellness Tele-Coaching Intervention to Support Low SES Families in the "Nurturing Parenting Program: A Randomized Controlled Trail"

Golnoush Yektafar, MAR

B.A. University of California, Riverside 2009

M.S. Loma Linda University ST 2011

Dissertation: The Influence of Acculturation on Meanings of Marriage for Iranian-American Women

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B.A. University of California, Riverside 2008

M.A. Loma Linda University ST 2011

Dissertation: The Effects of Mild Concussions and Pomegranates on Inflammation and Behavior

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B.A. San Jose State University 2004

M.A. Loma Linda University ST 2009

Dissertation: Executive Dysfunction Is Predictive of Clinical Symptomatology in 22Q11.2 Deletion Syndrome

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B.A. California State University, Fullerton 2009

M.A. Loma Linda University BH 2012

Dissertation: Using Pomegranate Polyphenols to Improve
Neuropsychological Functioning Following Ischemic Stroke

Whitney Nicole Brown

B.S. University of La Verne 2009

M.A. Loma Linda University ST 2011

Dissertation: Development and Evaluation of a Web-Based Smoking
Prevention for Adolescents

Kevin Robert Criswell

B.A. Point Loma Nazarene University 2009

M.A. Loma Linda University ST 2011

Dissertation: Lung Cancer Stigma: Associated Variables and Coping
Strategies

Taylor Lane Draper

B.A. California State University, Long Beach 2007

M.A. Loma Linda University BH 2012

Dissertation: Racial Discrimination, Socioeconomic Status, and
Hypertension in Older Blacks: A Test of the Reserve Capacity Model

Alyson Christine Hermé

B.S. Kansas State University 2010

M.A. Loma Linda University ST 2012

Dissertation: Effects of Appearance Schemas and Appearance-Related
Commentary on Body Image and Eating Disorder Pathology

Kayla Marne Kinworthy

B.A. Marymount University 2010

M.A. Loma Linda University BH 2012

Dissertation: Testing the Relationship between Crime, Psychological
Diagnosis, and Cognitive Performance (RBANS)

Palak Kothari

B.A. San Diego State University 2008

M.A. California State University, Fullerton 2010

Dissertation: Depression, Inflammation, and Negative Religious Coping in SDA Older Adults

Angelyna Mari Lowe

B.S. Culver Stockton College 2010

M.A. Loma Linda University ST 2012

Dissertation: Heart-Focused Anxiety and Cardiac Treatment Adherence

Christina Marie Mannino

B.S. University of California, Irvine 1988

M.S. California State University, Los Angeles 2006

M.A. Loma Linda University ST 2011

Dissertation: The Frontal-Temporal Signature of TBI-Induced Acute Cerebral Metabolic Crisis

Audrey Elaine Martinez

B.A. University of Nevada, Las Vegas 2008

M.A. Loma Linda University ST 2012

Dissertation: Emotional Memory: The Effects of Retrieval Methods

Kathleen Hazel Parker

B.S. University of California, Los Angeles 2009

M.A. Pepperdine University 2011

Dissertation: NICU Parental Mental Health and Infant Outcomes: Effects of Psychological Well-Being and Psychopathology

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B.A. Andrews University 2000

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Dissertation: The Effects of Olanzapine on Apoptosis and Behavior in Rats Exposed to Ketamine as Neonates

Lara Lynn South

B.A. University of California, Riverside 2006

M.A. Loma Linda University ST 2009

Dissertation: The Process of Self-Regulation in Mothers of Children with Autism Spectrum

Amanda Frances Suplee

B.A. University of California, Riverside 2010

M.A. Loma Linda University ST 2012

Dissertation: An Examination of Social Media and the Tripartite Influence Model of Body Image Disturbance

Seda Terzyan

B.A. University of California, Los Angeles 2009

M.A. Loma Linda University BH 2012

Dissertation: Different Emotion-Induction Strategies Drive Specific Physiological and Perceptual Level Shifts: Global vs Local Processing

Awards

School of Behavioral Health Dean's Award for Master's Degree Programs: Martha Saucedo.

School of Behavioral Health Dean's Award for Doctoral Degree Programs: John Bellone.

School of Religion Dean's Award: William Eisenhower.

Faculty of Graduate Studies Dean's Award: Cassidy Freitas.


School of Behavioral Health President's Award: Daniel Tapanes.

School of Religion President's Award: Nelu Nedelea.

School of Behavioral Health Distinguished Service Award: Randall Walker.

School of Behavioral Health Alumna of the Year, posthumous: Norma Scarborough.

School of Nursing

	June twelve, six o'clock, Drayson Center
	
PRELUDE	Alva Waworoendeng, keyboard Selected Compositions
ACADEMIC PROCESSION	The audience is requested to clear the aisles and remain seated. Ronald L. Carter, University Commencement Marshal, leading Stephen G. Dunbar, Susan C. Richards, Kathi Wild, Zane Yi, Associate Marshals, assisting The President's Party, Members of the University Board of Trustees, LLUH Administrators
Faculty	Festive Trumpet Tune . . . <i>David German</i>
Candidates for Degrees	Pomp and Circumstance Military March, Op. 39, No. 1 . . . <i>Sir Edward Elgar</i>
INVOCATION	Patricia S. Jones Professor, School of Nursing
WELCOME	Richard H. Hart President of the University
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS	Elizabeth A. Bossert, Dean of the School The President Ronald L. Carter, Provost of the University
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER	Nancie Parmenter Assistant Professor, School of Nursing

ADDRESS	<p>Robyn Nelson Dean, College of Nursing, West Coast University</p> <p>BE EXCELLENT!</p>
CONFERRING OF DEGREES	The President
AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS	<p>The Dean Susan Lloyd, Associate Dean for Graduate Nursing Barbara Ninan, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Nursing JoAnn Shaul, Assistant Dean for Finance and Administration</p>
CHARGE TO THE CLASSES	<p>Shirley Bristol Associate Professor, School of Nursing</p>
CLASS RESPONSE	<p>Kimber Rawson DNP Degree Student, Graduate Program</p> <p>Arleen Castro, Christian Rawlon Senior Class Co-Presidents, Undergraduate Program</p>
BENEDICTION	<p>Ellen D'Errico Associate Professor, School of Nursing</p>
ACADEMIC RECESSION	<p>Postlude on the Old Hundredth . . . <i>Fred Bock</i></p> <p>The audience is requested to clear the aisles and remain seated during the recession.</p> <p>Commencement ceremonies will be available for viewing and downloading from the Commencement Web site. Loma Linda University Commencement Web site llu.edu/commencement</p> <p>To minimize distracting others during the ceremony, guests are requested to observe the following picture-taking courtesies: <i>Please do not</i>—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use a flash or additional lighting; • walk in the main aisles or in front of the platform; • stand except very briefly in the audience line of vision.

Candidates for Degrees

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Bachelor of Science

The listing of a candidate's name in the commencement program is presumptive evidence of graduation but is not to be regarded as conclusive.

Stephanie Macarine Abandy, DEC, cum laude	Raquel Betancourt, DEC, magna cum laude
Diana Aguirre, DEC, cum laude	Hannah Kay Birmingham, DEC
Sumer Ahmad	Beatrice Yewande Bissy-Aluko, MAR, magna cum laude
Eliseo Alonso, Jr.	Haleigh Dayne Bowen, DEC, cum laude
Valerie Aluyon, cum laude	David Caohung Bui, DEC
Natalie Paloma Ambriz, DEC	Natalie Cadavid, cum laude
Alexandra Noel Amorim, cum laude	Mariel Christina Camiling, DEC
Jaimie Linn Apodaca, DEC	Nicole Marie Casso
Chelsie Ocariza Aquino, cum laude	Melissa Jane Castillo, MAR, cum laude
Melanie Ann Lao Arit, MAR, cum laude	Arleen Garces Castro
Azalea Heather Pajara Bandong, MAR, cum laude	Michael Edward Cismariu
Jeremy Michael Baroi, MAR	Carrie Allison Cobos
Adahena Baron, DEC, cum laude	Daniel Jacob Cooper, cum laude
Kathleen Marie Beaumont, MAR, cum laude	Paolah Cortes, cum laude
Deidra Alexandra Belko, cum laude	Andrew Coyoca, MAR
Alexa Rae Bermejo, MAR	Ryan Joseph A. Cruz, MAR, cum laude
	Brian Anthony Stoeppler Deriquito

Jethro Stephen De Vera, MAR, cum laude	Hsiao Mei Huang
Alexandria Esme Drury	Eli Thomas Huffmon
Nicole Duran, DEC	Jo Han Jang, MAR, cum laude
Amanda Kathleen Edwards, cum laude	Kara Danielle Jeffries, MAR, summa cum laude
David Edwin Dwight Ermshar	Jaeyun Jeong, MAR, cum laude
Daryl Estoesta, MAR	Jade K. Karundeng
Hannah Saige Ethridge, MAR, cum laude	Marina Katko, cum laude
Tannaz R. Farighi	Lindsay Young Kim
Yvette Veronica Fausto, DEC	Min Ho Kim, DEC
Viridiana Fuentes, DEC	Rachel Haeyoung Kim, summa cum laude
James Gamboa	Kerri Ann King, DEC, cum laude
Xochitl R. Garcia, SEP	Sierra Martine Kirkpatrick, DEC, magna cum laude
Nina Joreesa Pangilinan Genato, DEC	Amy Marie Kirschenman, MAR
Kristin Anette Ordinario Geniebla, cum laude	Nichole Lee Klavon Conwell
Alyssa Marie Gilmore, MAR, cum laude	Lyndsay Jo Knight
Mirna Sameer Haddad, cum laude	Melissa Dawn Kocak
Holly Magdaline Hall, cum laude	Lynn Anne Kozarichuk, cum laude
Luchia Lynette Hansen, magna cum laude	Eri Kuramoto, MAR
Miguel Juan Henson, DEC, cum laude	Ka Yee Kwan
Kena Alana Hintergardt- Soubirous, MAR	Elizabeth Kyle, MAR
	Masonne Edward Ladia-Ramos
	Megan Ashley Lang, MAR, magna cum laude

Aimy Lara, MAR	Lauren Frances Minor, MAR, cum laude
Bradley Zephaniah Lee, DEC, magna cum laude	Chawntelle Jean Mock, MAR
Clara Jeawha Lee, MAR	Katherine Roseann Moody
Daniel Lee, MAR	Maia Elizabeth Catherine Mulcahy, cum laude
David Jong Chul Lee, MAR	Madeline Rose Mulder, DEC
Kevin Anthony Lim, MAR, magna cum laude	Cynthia Suzanne Munoz, MAR
Sarita Elizabeth Linares, MAR	John Dalton Murphy, MAR, cum laude
Ashley Kate Linlo, cum laude	Hyeon Cho Nam, DEC
Cindy Nicole Lopez, MAR, cum laude	Laura Leticia Naranjo, MAR, cum laude
Annie Georgia Mack, cum laude	Timothy Ian Nguyen, DEC
Maureen Anne Estrada Malaguit, DEC, cum laude	Isaiah Hilario Nola, DEC
Megan Allison Balboa Malate, DEC, cum laude	Marisol Soto Ornelas, DEC
Belen Melody Mamani, cum laude	Michelle Lara Osongco, MAR, cum laude
Kirsten Gayle Manalo	Eric Owen
Martin Hasadungan Manalu, DEC	Wicliffe Okinyi Owili, DEC, cum laude
Gloria Manjor, MAR	April Melody Pate
Tessa Elise Martin, MAR	Jacob Ryan Peterson, DEC
Jorge Eliecer Mesa, DEC, cum laude	Linda Pham, DEC
Sarah Ann Messner, MAR, summa cum laude	Michael Phan
Veronica Alexandria Millan, MAR	Brittany Michelle Pick, MAR, cum laude
	Brianne Marie Poff

Lana Y. Popudrebko, MAR, cum laude	Tara Lynne Schuyler, MAR
Anais Portillo	Jessica Self, DEC
Wagner Elias Portocarrero, MAR	Whitney Lee Shadix, cum laude
Yvonne Power	Patrick John Shaver, DEC
Rachael Louise Pownall	Shamila J. Siapco, MAR, magna cum laude
Sarah Christine Puma, MAR, summa cum laude	Amanda Rachell Silva, cum laude
Nibal Ahmad Qagi	Spencer Simmons, MAR
Melisa Ramos, DEC	Kristina V. Smith, MAR
Christian Rawlon	Jennifer Soto, MAR, cum laude
Alexa Marie Reese, cum laude	Tiffany Naree Subadya, MAR, cum laude
Christina Rico, cum laude	Alicja Swistak, cum laude
Crystal Dawn Robinson, DEC	Katelynn Anne Taggart, MAR
Natalit Kazandra Robles, cum laude	Chloe Cuerdo Temple, MAR, summa cum laude
Miah Menguito Rodriguez, cum laude	Alvin Arthur Thaher
Sarah Ashley Sagala	Eddie Dong Hwan Thia, cum laude
Rie Sakata, MAR	Kandavin Thong, cum laude
Nataly Nichole Saldarriaga, MAR, cum laude	Sara Tiffany Tom
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Sara Elizabeth Schlie, DEC	

Master of Science

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Kevin Matthew Weathers, MAR, magna cum laude	Rayna Michelle Zaragoza, cum laude
Stephanie Wilson	Michelle Elaine Zimprich, MAR
Crystal Sirichon Wongchalermthan, MAR	Kelsey Zuppan, MAR, summa cum laude
Jessica J. Bates B.S. California State University, San Bernardino 2013	Alain Jerome Mojica Fernandez, MAR B.S. California State University, Los Angeles 2009
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Doctor of Nursing Practice

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B.S. Loma Linda University SN 2009

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B.S. California State University, Los
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B.A. Southern Adventist University
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B.S.N. Washington Adventist
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2009
M.S.N. Western University of Health
Sciences 2012

Terri Lea Gibson
B.S.N. Angelo State University 2005
M.S. University of New Mexico, Main
Campus 2008

Sukh Dev Singh Khalsa
B.S. California State University,
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M.B.A. University of Phoenix, Online
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B.S.N. Azusa Pacific University 1999
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M.S. Loma Linda University SN 2013

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B.S. Adventist University of Health
Sciences 2012

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B.S.N. University of Phoenix, Online
Campus 2011

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B.S.N. Adventist University of the
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B.S. Loma Linda University SN 2010

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B.MUS. Univ of Hartford 2004
B.S. State University of New York
Health Science Center at Stony Brook
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Ping Yang
M.B. Xian Medical University 1992
B.N. University of New Brunswick
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B.S. Pacific Union College 1995
M.P.H. Loma Linda University PH
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B.S. California State University,
Dominguez Hills 2002
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B.S. Andrews University 1990
M.S. California State University,
Bakersfield 2003

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B.S.N. University of Phoenix,
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M.S.N. University of Phoenix, Online
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Doctor of Philosophy

Gwendolyn A. Wysocki
B.S. Loma Linda University SN 1982
M.N. University of California, Los
Angeles 1993

In conjunction with the Faculty of Graduate Studies

Erhuvwukorotu Kollie
B.S.N. Babcock University 2004
M.S. Loma Linda University SN 2009

Dissertation: The Experiences of Nurses and Midwives during the Ebola
Outbreak in Liberia, West Africa

Julia Ann Pusztai, SEP
B.S. Azusa Pacific University 1977
M.S. Azusa Pacific University 1998

Dissertation: The Lived Experience of Aging: Listening to the Oldest-Old

Lili Yang
B.S.N. Adventist University of the Philippines 2000
M.S. Loma Linda University SN 2008

Dissertation: III. Factors Influencing Systolic Blood Pressure among Rural
Hypertensive Adults in China

Undergraduate Class Officers

Co-Presidents: Arleen Castro, Christian Rawlon.

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Co-Social Vice Presidents: Whitney Shadix, Kelsey Zuppan.

Co-Historians: Sumer Ahmad, Brian Deriquito.

Secretary: Beatrice Bissy-Aluko.

Treasurer: Eliseo Alonso.

Faculty Sponsors:

Lana McLouth, Associate Professor of Nursing

Lisa Highton, Assistant Professor Nursing

Awards

Dean's Award, Undergraduate: Kelsey Trujillo.

Dean's Award, Graduate, Master's: Cameron Harvey.

Dean's Award, Graduate, D.N.P.: Jennifer Newcombe.

Dean's Award, Graduate, Ph.D.: Julia Pusztai.

President's Award, Undergraduate: Kara Jeffries.

School Distinguished Service Award: Dynnette (Dee) Hart.

The following awards were presented prior to commencement:

Agatha Hodgins CRNA Memorial Award: Rochelle Solorzano.

Bonnie Fang Award, Undergraduate Program: Holly Olalia.

Bonnie Fang Award, Graduate Program: Jethrone Role.

Class of 1966 Mentor Scholarship Award: Linda Pham, Christina Rico.

CNS Student of the Year Award: Parisa Khorsandi.

DNP Leadership Award: Gwen Wysocki.

DNP Project Award: Jennifer Newcombe.

FNP Student of the Year Award: Sarah Nelson.

Global Impact Award: Erhuvwukorotu Kollie.

Helen Emori King Professional Leadership Award: Terri Gibson.

Joe Wilkinson Leadership Award: Megan French.

Lucille Lewis Award: Hilary Escamilla, Rachel Tohm.

Ph.D. Leadership Award: Lili Yang.

Wellness Award: Cameron Harvey.

Wil Alexander Whole Person Care Award: Chloe Temple.

Nurse's Pledge

I solemnly pledge myself, before God
and in the presence of this assembly
to practice faithfully my profession
of nursing.

I will do all in my power to make and maintain the
highest standards and practices of my profession.

I will hold in confidence all personal matters committed
to my keeping in the practice of my calling.

I will serve as a loyal member of the health care team
and will devote myself to the welfare of my patients, my
families, and my community.

I will endeavor to fulfill my rights and privileges as a
good citizen, and to take my share of responsibility in
promoting the health and welfare of my community.

I will constantly endeavor to increase my knowledge
and skills in nursing and to use them wisely.

I will zealously seek to nurse those who are ill, wherever
they may be and whenever they are in need.

I will be active in assisting others in safeguarding and
promoting the health and happiness of humanity.

Adapted from the International Pledge of Nursing