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*Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center
for the Performing Arts*

Congratulations, Graduates

We congratulate the graduates of the Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership Graduate Degree Programs. These physician assistant, nurse and health leaders leave an indelible mark as graduates of the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis. We eagerly anticipate the influence these alumni create as they launch the next phases of their careers.

In Gratitude

The entire Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing team extends its heartfelt appreciation to all who have supported the school from its outset. Your ongoing contributions are critical to the school's continued success. Together, we advance health.

In Memoriam

Betty Irene Moore, the namesake and co-founder of the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis, died Dec. 12, 2023. She was 95.

Each of us at the School of Nursing is grateful to her vision of nursing leadership, advocacy for patients and families and passion to improve health care. We honor her memory through the work we do to drive real change, advance health and make care more equitable.

University of California, Davis

Founded in 1908 as the University Farm, the University of California, Davis, has become one of the country's top teaching and research universities. Building on its historical strengths in the agricultural and biological sciences, UC Davis has developed comparable stature in the arts, social sciences, humanities, environmental sciences, engineering and physical sciences. It excels, as well, in the professional areas of nursing, law, education, medicine, veterinary medicine and management. The campus is dedicated to teaching students to be independent thinkers and lifelong learners, to pursuing research that advances our knowledge of the world and to serving the public by sharing and applying those discoveries. UC Davis is committed to effective engagement with the many communities it serves—in the state, the nation and the world.

The Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing

The Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis is the only graduate school created to activate change where it is needed most. We go beyond clinical education with programs that elevate the ability, confidence and vision of a new type of health care leader. Guided by a vision of optimal health and health equity for all, the School of Nursing integrates the science and humanity of nursing and other health disciplines to lead innovative research, education and practice. Established in 2009, the school prepares graduates who advance health, transform health care and ignite bold system change locally, nationally and globally. The school offers four graduate degrees for those who share a passion for advancing health: master's degree programs for entry-level nursing and physician assistant, Doctor of Nursing Practice—Family Nurse Practitioner and Doctor of Philosophy.

Message from Chancellor May

To Degree Candidates,

Congratulations on reaching this wonderful milestone! Today is your moment to celebrate with classmates, families and loved ones, and to honor this significant accomplishment.

When you came to UC Davis, you joined a community driven to make the world a better place. You understood that academics are paramount, but you discovered that the college experience is about so much more. You learned to outgrow the expected, to exceed what's needed and to do what's just.

Now, you are ready to take on this next chapter of your life with great confidence and enthusiasm. With its deep commitment to excellence and world-class faculty setting the bar high for students, UC Davis has prepared you to succeed. You not only met that bar, but you pushed beyond. Wherever life takes you, or wherever you take life, remember this is just the beginning of your journey.

You'll find members of our Aggie family all around the world, and I encourage you to use this valuable network and remain connected with our campus.

I hope you leave UC Davis with cherished memories that will last a lifetime. I encourage you to keep close our values of excellence, openness to diverse perspectives and embracing new ideas. Now is the time to imagine what's possible and to consider how you will make an impact and contribute to the public good.

The world is waiting for you. Go Ags!

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gary S. May". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first and last names being more prominent.

Gary S. May
Chancellor

"Remember to use your knowledge and powers for good. Every day, try to learn something new, help someone and make the world a better place."

– CHANCELLOR GARY S. MAY

Message from Provost Croughan

Dear Aggie Graduate,

Congratulations on reaching this pivotal moment! This is a day of celebration for you, your loved ones, your friends, your faculty, and our entire campus as we witness you successfully achieving your goal. We are so very proud of you!

Undoubtedly, your educational journey has required you to overcome numerous challenges, and you had to dig deeper to discover new levels of your own potential. Throughout your studies, you demonstrated resilience and tenacity, even while facing uncertainties and unpredictability of a changing world. You have endured, and all you have accomplished has led you to this day.

As a UC Davis degree candidate, you have met the highest standards and rigorous requirements of your major at this world-class university. While you have grown and changed over your time here, you have left those around you changed. You enriched our campus community by sharing your personal strengths, your passion for learning, and your enthusiasm for engaging with others. You have expanded your awareness and learned new concepts, employed critical thinking and collaborated with others, and forged friendships that can last a lifetime. No matter where your path leads from here—whether it is entering a career field, continuing your studies, joining the Peace Corps, or embarking upon other public service—you are ready to make a positive impact and succeed.

As a proud Aggie alumna myself, I know UC Davis has prepared you very well for your future. Cherish the memories and friendships formed during your time here. Stay connected with your alma mater and your fellow Aggies. Go out and do good in the world. I look forward to welcoming you back to campus as fellow alumni!

All the best,



Mary S. Croughan
Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor

Program

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Sam Bishop-Green
Chief of Staff

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ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Amy A. Nichols
Associate Dean for Academics and Clinical Professor

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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Stephen J. Cavanagh
Nighty Health Dean's Chair for Nursing Leadership, Dean and Professor

CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE

Gary S. May
Chancellor

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Susan Baade Song

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Kupiri Ackerman-Barger
Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Health Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

STUDENT SPEAKERS FOR THE CLASSES OF 2023 and 2024

Santiago Gonzalez Garcia, III
*Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership
Master of Science—Nursing*

Noelle Elizabeth Daly
*Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership
Master of Health Services—Physician Assistant Studies Program*

Teuta Kadiu
*Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership
Doctor of Philosophy Program*

CONFERRAL AND PRESENTATION OF DEGREES

Amy A. Nichols

Stephen J. Cavanagh

Gary S. May

Shana L. Ruggenberg

Director for the Master's Entry Program in Nursing and Associate Clinical Professor

Teresa Thetford

Director for the Physician Assistant Program and Associate Clinical Professor

Sheryl L. Catz

Doctor of Philosophy Program Director and Professor

CLOSING REMARKS

Stephen J. Cavanagh

RECESSIONAL

We request the audience to please remain seated for the recessional.

Refreshments will be served on the outside patio immediately following the ceremony.

The Graduating Classes of 2023 and 2024

Master of Science–Nursing

Carmelita Alig

Avery Asera

Willow Ayres

Cierra Angelie Barker

Kallan Bedard

Dai-Johnea Beshears

Jessica Marie Bali

Jasmine Brown

Lina Bui

Diana Elaine Ramos Catapusan

Anna Victoria Cooper-Huber

Tonja Anita Copeland

Cristyn Creese

Jasmine de la Rosa

Deanna Marie Fujii

Nolan Maduli Gabriel

Santiago Gonzalez Garcia, III

Tyler Scott Gibson

Adrianna Guerrero-Tapia

Andy Anthony Gutierrez

Jennifer Javelet

Jennifer Marie Lopez

Mindy Mai

Aaliyah McBroom

Briana Moreno

Christina Amber Navarro

Chaulette Carrie Palafox

Kristy Phal

Noren Robinson

Erica Stansfield

Alexa Renee Tijerino

Leslie Denice Torres

Hang Tiffanie Tran

Arlene Kristy Turcios

Kassandra Vath

Anita Velazquez

Xochitl Alany Villagrana

Christine Magalie Vimbela

Trever Wentland

Chozin Win

Caroline Wong

Master of Health Services–Physician Assistant Studies

Nilufar Abdul	Dana Ismail
Mohammad Addal	Ganna Kozyk
Daniel Alonso	Jinyu Lan
Sabrina Arsala	Anthony Lou
Mary Anjielen Artille	Lilian Mechael
Gayane Avagyan	Brianna Morton
Gabriel Incleto Bascara	Esther Navarro
Mary Gina Biondin	Becky Ngo
Braydon Cole Bouwhuis	Aryon Nielsen
Brigitta Bowers	Concepcion Paz-Gonzalez
Lyah Alexandra Castleberry	Breanna Perreault
Noelle Elizabeth Daly	Ronalyn Reyes
Haley Dang-Trinh	Ome Ollin Ruiz
Vanessa Dao	Sandra Marey Ruiz Ambriz
Eric Davis	Sarah Salas Hoang
Maria Terese Delfino	Eneida Sanchez Tagle
Samreen Dhariwal	Savannah Schaffer
Tra Son Do	Sherene Shahin
Philip Doyle	Samantha M. Stevens
Lili Duong	Vallesky Torrico
Jacob Duran	Amy Tran
Amy Marie Elizaga	Viridiana S. Van Den Hengel-Gomez
Elizabeth Ellis-Falik	AnnaMaria B. Vasilieva
Katelyn Marie Fernandez	Lucas N. Vine
Christine Garcia	Dustin D. Weaver
Philip Manaois Gernert	Megan Yamamoto
Jessica Gonzalez-Hernandez	Caitlin Young
Sabrina Hakim	Amanullah Zadran
Irvin Hernandez	Oswaldo Zarco-Bravo
Ryan Ho	Jianwei Zhou

Doctor of Philosophy

NICOLE CRESSY HIEBERT

Mechanism of Injury, Hospital Length of Stay, and Discharge Disposition by Sex and TBI Severity
Dissertation chair: Janice F. Bell

TEUTA KADIU

Exploring the Perceptions of Ambiguous Loss among Spouses of Persons with Dementia
Dissertation chair: Mark Fedyk

KERRI MAYA

*Applying the Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR)
to a Delirium-Protective “Awake and Walking” Model of Critical Care*
Dissertation chair: Sheryl L. Catz

CLAIRE MINH NGUYEN

*Associations Between Pain Interference and Late-Life Cognitive
Function Among Diverse Community-Dwelling Older Adults*
Dissertation chair: Janice F. Bell

CALENE ROSEMAN

*Health beliefs and cultural factors influencing the barriers to effective
blood pressure management among hypertensive adults in Barbados*
Dissertation chair: Leigh Ann Simmons

MARLA SHAUER

*Pressure to have obstetric interventions and its impact on Respectful Maternity Care: A mixed
methods analysis of ratings and experiences from the national “Giving Voices to Mothers” study*
Dissertation chair: Janice F. Bell

Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership

Graduate Group Faculty

Kupiri Ackerman-Barger

Jason Adams

FadumaSara Ali

Deb Bakerjian

Janice F. Bell

Julie T. Bidwell

Sheryl L. Catz

Stephen J. Cavanagh

Lynda Creighton-Wong

Christine de Belen-Wilson

Rupinder Deol

Rosalind 'Roz' McNiesh de Lisser

Madan Dharmar

Christiana Drake

Jennifer J. Edwards

Felix D. Emond, Jr.

Alex Fauer

Mark Fedyk

Erik Fernandez y Garcia

Mary Gallagher

Carrie Garland

Philippe R. Goldin

Miles Harris

Shelly Henderson

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Victoria Jackson

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Janet Meda

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Amber Ramage

Angelica de Leon-Renteria

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Patrick S. Romano

Shana Ruggenberg

Jill Saberman

Cara M. Sandholdt

Anna Satake

Sumathi Sankaran-Walters

Elenitsa Sebat

Kathryn Sexson

Mary Lou de Leon Siantz

Elena O. Siegel

Charleen Singh

Daniel Tancredi

Teresa Thetford

Michelle Touw

Laura L. Van Auken

Heather M. Young

Mondana Zargarnian

Awards

The Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing gratefully acknowledges the donors who support endowed funds for scholarships and student awards.

Allen D. Tate, M.D. and Nora Cook Tate Memorial Scholarship for Nursing Leadership

Amy T. Dean Courage Award

Badovinac Education Excellence Endowment

Bee's Family Interprofessional Scholarship

Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing Founding Team Scholarship

Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing Student Support Endowment

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Caroline Dare Scholarship

Challenge Award in Honor of Founding Dean Heather M. Young

Class of 2015 Doctoral Student Scholarship

Constant M. and Tempest B. van Vlierden Scholarship in Nursing

Correne E. Treguboff Endowed Memorial Scholarship

Correne E. Treguboff Pediatric Award for Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants

Deborah Ward Improving Health for All Scholarship

Elizabeth Goldner Bridge Memorial Scholarship

Fields-Messersmith Family Endowed Award

Frederick and Erda M. Harrold Family Endowed Scholarship in Nursing

G. Russell and Sharon Bell Scholarship

Helen F. Hansen Endowment Scholarship

Helen M. Thomson Award for Nursing Leadership

Hersted Scholarship for Pediatric Nursing

Ida L. Vanderhoef Memorial Scholarship

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La Rue Frederick Scholarship Endowment for Nursing
Lillian Mae Revenig McCoy, RN Memorial Scholarship
Lonigan Family Trust Scholarship
Master's Entry Program in Nursing Scholarship
Michael and Renée Child Endowed Scholarship
Michael Vriheas Family Scholarship in Nursing
Mildred "Millie" D. and Albert "Al" J. Kahane Scholarship for Nurse Practitioners Support
Natalie F. Bush, MSN and Wes Bush Scholarship
National Advisory Council Endowed Scholarship
Nurse Practitioner Scholarship
Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership Student and Alumni Scholarship
Phyllis J. Smith Memorial Endowment Scholarship
Physician Assistant Annual Scholarship
Pomeroy Robertson Family Endowed Scholarship
Quinby-Young Scholarship for Healthy Aging
Robert and Jacqueline Bates Award in Nursing
Roletto and Amparo Ordoná Endowed Scholarship in Nursing
for Community Based Senior Care
Sandy Smoley Endowed Award
Schneider Family Scholarship for Nursing Leadership
Senior Citizens of Davis Award
Sharon Ann Middlebrook Burke Scholarship
Sierra Sacramento Valley Medical Society Alliance Scholarship
Susan L. Adams Leadership in Health Policy Award
Teri A. Lown, RN, OCN Educational Award in Oncology Nursing
Terri and Alan Wolf Nursing Scholarship
Eager Family Endowed Nursing Award
UC Davis Nurses' Founding Donors Scholarship
Volunteer Services Nursing Scholarship
Weborg and Singer Family Endowed Scholarship
Wilhelmina C.M. Patel Memorial Scholarship

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Faculty Representatives

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Vice Chair of the Universitywide Academic Senate of the University of California

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ALMA MATER
Hail to California!

Hail to California, Alma Mater dear
Sing the joyful chorus, Sound it far and near
Rallying 'round her banner, We will never fail
California Alma Mater; Hail! Hail! Hail!

Clinton R Morse, University of California class of 1896
Arr. Charles Cushing

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