SUNY DOWNSTATE HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Convocation, Pinning, and Awards Ceremony

Tuesday, December 20, 2022
Alumni Auditorium
Health Sciences Education Building
3:00pm
SUNY DOWNSTATE HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University, is one of four academic health centers within the 64-unit State University of New York System. Located on an urban campus in the East Flatbush section of Brooklyn, SUNY Downstate includes the College of Medicine, School of Graduate Studies, College of Nursing, College of Health Related Professions, School of Public Health, a major research center, two biotechnology sites, and University Hospital of Brooklyn.

For more than fifty years, the College of Nursing has offered cutting-edge nursing educational programs. Today, nursing programs are offered at the baccalaureate, master's, post-master's and doctoral levels. The College is well respected for its academic rigor, scholarly productivity, and service to the people of New York, especially the underserved.
Order of Ceremony

Mistress of Ceremony
Marie-Claire Roberts PhD, MS, MPA, RN
Associate Dean for Research and Evaluation

National Anthem
Zahar Alao, Accelerated BS Program

Welcome
Lori Escallier, PhD, RN, CPNP-PC, FAAN
Dean and Professor of the College of Nursing

Student Speakers
Marie Wilson, BSN, RNC-MNN, CLC- DNP Program
Shazia Peters-Steele - Accelerated BS Program & NSC President

Presentation of Awards
Nataliya Shaforost, DNP, FNP, CDCES - Director DNP Program
Jean McHugh, PhD, RN, APRN, ACNS-BC, FNYAM
Chair Entry Level Program & Director of Accelerated BS Program
Barbara Kitchener, PhD, RN - Director RN to BS Program
Sarah Marshall, DNP, MS, BSN, RNC, ICCE, CCE, CBC, CLC
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Recognition of Student Veterans
Pinning Ceremony & Lighting of the Lamps
Nursing Oath

Closing Remarks
Joanne Ritter-Teitel PhD, RN, NEA-BC
Associate Dean, Academic Affairs
Accelerated Baccalaureate Program

Students

Kevin Adams-Edwards
Ahmed Hamzah
Vanessa Aja-Sigmon
Zahar Alao
Atte Alkhabbaz
Fabiola Augustin
Lillian Barakat
Cristian Bejenaru
Lordani Bonaventure
Medgine Boutin
Genova Brown
Meghan Brown
Ashley Bruno
Melisa Cambry
Jameela Chapman
Elaine Chen
Nicole Chernow
Daniel Chi
Elizaveta Chovnyk
William Cornell
Cristina Corwin
Stacy De Jesus
Nyleptha De Souza
Chloe DeAngelis
Justin DeLucia
Aissata Diallo
Janelle Domig

Kristie Douglas
Hannah Ehrlinspiel
Dorie Ervilus
Bora Fejzo
Michal Feldman
Gregory Filatov
Brocha Finkelstein
Roberto Gil
Sabrina Gorodetsky
Dakota Grasman
Shenell Griffiths
Breyana Haggwood-White
Ericka Hamilton
Rachel Heinicke
William Hon
Danielle Hutson
Irene Innya
Lauren Ishay
Saraphina Jean Claude
Rosa Jimenez
Jessica Johnson
Oleksandra Kalashnikova
Sarah Kelly
Hassan Khan
Jennifer Kholodenko
Alan Kim
Tzivia Kohn
Accelerated Baccalaureate Program

Students

Brittany Krause
Emily Lang
Kelsey Lau
Alice Lin
Meaghan Linick
Ron Livshits
Tam Lu
Joy Merrifield
Soghar Mohmand
Joyce Nunez
Christina Obuobi
Alissa Pacht
Anthony Papa
Yujin Park
Shazia Peters-Steele
Stanley Philipose
Laure Raymond
Alexander Reiley
Celia Reschke
Niya Rivers

Kenisha Roberts
Baila Schuster
Sharon Schwartz
Deborah Shifrin
Jeanne Shotzbarger
Rachel Tarlow
Martina Tenneriello
Ebru Turk
Boris Umanov
Felicia Vincent
Fraida Wahrman
Elizabeth White
Kristie Wong
Joshua Woods
Cindy Yankovich
Eman Zaheer
Yan Zheng
Stephenie Zhu
Valerie Zolkina
Michal Zupnick
Doctor of Nursing Practice Program

Students

Dr. Taylor Biondi
Dr. Casey-Ann Collins
Dr. Kristina Cudjoe
Dr. Maytal Dayan
Dr. Susanna Deleon
Dr. Jessica Dong
Dr. Mfon Edem
Dr. Natalie Ferguson
Dr. Sophia Frontus
Dr. Jeong-Hoon Ham
Dr. Swada Iddris
Dr. Blandine Jean-Louis
Dr. Lyne Jean-Louis
Dr. Saundra Jones
Dr. Judith Nicholls
Dr. Faith Okuesi
Dr. Mark Schwartz
Dr. Jennifer Sidoti
Dr. Desiree Steele
Dr. Marie Wilson
Veterans

Jacqueline Broomes
Aissata Diallo
Dakota Grasman
Olga Kiselova
Stanley Philipose
Tiffany Poteat
Ni Sun
As a Nurse dedicated to providing the highest quality care and services, I solemnly pledge that I will:

Consider the welfare of humanity and relief of suffering my primary concern;

Act in compassionate and trustworthy manner in all aspects of my care;

Apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal outcomes for all my patients;

Exercise sound professional judgement while abiding by legal and ethical requirements;

Accept the life-long obligation to improve my professional knowledge and competence;

Promote, advocate for, and strive to protect the health, safety, and rights of all patients.

I take this oath voluntarily with the full realization of the responsibility with which I am entrusted by the public.
College of Nursing

Faculty

Lori Escallier, PhD, RN, CPNP-PC, FAAN
Dean & Professor

Joanne Ritter-Teital, PhD, RN, NEA-BC
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Associate Professor

Marie-Claire Rosenberg Roberts, PhD, MS, RN
Associate Dean for Research Evaluation & Associate Professor

Veronica Arikian, PhD, RN
Clinical Associate Professor

Kathleen Bratby, EdD, MSN, RN
Clinical Associate Professor

Lauren Ellis, DNP, FNP-BC, TNCC
Lecturer

Catherine Hagerty PhD, RN
Clinical Assistant Professor

Barbara Kitchener, PhD, RN
Director, RN-BS Program & Clinical Assistant Professor

Jean McHugh, PhD, RN, APRN, ACNS-BC, FNYAM
Chair of Entry Level Program & Director Accelerated BS Program
Associate Professor

Sincere S. McMillan, DNP, MS, RN, ANP-BC
Clinical Assistant Professor

Barbara Messina, PhD, RN, ANP
Associate Professor
College of Nursing

Faculty

Jeanine O'Hagan-Murphy, DNP, FNP-BC
Director- Family Nurse Practitioner Program & Clinical Assistant Professor

June C. Paul, DNP, MPH, CNM, FNP-BC
Clinical Assistant Professor

Elizabeth Ritt, EdD, RN, NEA-BC, CNE
Special Assistant to the Dean

Nataliya Shaforost, DNP, FNP, CDCES
Director- Doctor of Nursing Practice Program & Assistant Professor

Beth Steinfeld, DNP, WHNP-BC
Chair of Advanced Level Programs & Director- Women's Health NP Program
Assistant Professor

Marie Tse Valcin DNP, FNP-BC, RN
Clinical Assistant Professor
We would like to sincerely thank the faculty and students for their contributions to the Giving Tree.
We are grateful for the Convocation Ceremony Committee and their hard work in making this special program a success.