

University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus  
Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences  
Class of 2021

On behalf of the faculty of the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, I extend to each member of the Class of 2021 my enthusiastic congratulations on the occasion of your graduation.

You have successfully completed one of the most challenging academic programs in all of higher education under trying circumstances– the COVID-19 pandemic that disrupted all of our lives and your education for over a year. You likely learned more than you might have in normal times; you have witnessed rapid change, adaptations and resilience of the health care system and professionals like yourselves; and you contributed to a historic public health effort in our country. Through it all, you succeeded and thrived; you deserve to take great pride in your accomplishments.

You are entering into professional practice at a time of extraordinary change in America's health care system, some brought about by the pandemic, others driven by advances in technologies. With these changes, most certainly will come many challenging and exciting opportunities. We have done our best to prepare you for these opportunities and we urge you to seize upon them whenever and wherever they may arise.

We wish you good fortune in the years that lie ahead. If the confidence we have in your abilities is matched by the confidence you have in yourselves, your ultimate success is virtually guaranteed. It has been a pleasure and an honor to have you as part of our Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences family and we welcome you into the ranks of our distinguished alumnae/i.



Ralph J. Altieri, Ph.D.  
Dean

# Convocation Ceremony

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UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO  
ANSCHUTZ MEDICAL CAMPUS

Skaggs School of Pharmacy  
And Pharmaceutical Sciences Administration

Ralph J. Altieri, Ph.D.  
Dean

Jason Brunner, Ph.D.  
Assistant Dean for Assessment

Rachel Copeland, M.B.A.  
Associate Dean for Finance and Budget

Douglas N. Fish, Pharm.D.  
Chair, Department of Clinical Pharmacy

Shaun Gleason, Pharm.D, MGS  
Assistant Dean for Distance Degrees and Programs

Brian Hemstreet, Pharm.D.  
Associate Dean for Student Affairs

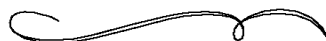
Gina Moore, Pharm.D., M.B.A.  
Vice Dean/Chief Operating Officer

David Ross, Ph.D.  
Associate Dean of Research and Graduate Studies and  
Chair, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences

Joseph Saseen, Pharm.D.  
Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs

David C. Thompson, Ph.D.  
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Megan Thompson, Pharm.D.  
Assistant Dean for Experiential Programs



# Convocation Program

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Welcome, Introductions  
& Opening Remarks

Ralph J. Altieri, Ph.D.  
Dean

Remarks by the Recipient of the Chancellor's  
Teaching Recognition Award

Robert Scheinman, Ph.D.  
Associate Professor  
Department of Pharmaceutical  
Sciences

Remarks by the Recipient of the President's  
Excellence in Teaching Award

Meghan Jeffres, Pharm.D.,  
Associate Professor  
Department of Clinical Pharmacy

Remarks by the Representative of  
the Class of 2021

Zaynib Hassan

Remarks by the Representative of the  
North American-Trained PharmD Program,  
Class of 2021

Omniah Elmorshedy

Introduction of the North American-Trained  
& International-Trained Pharm.D. Programs  
Graduating Class

Shaun Gleason, Pharm.D. MGS  
Assistant Dean for Distance Degrees and  
Programs

Introduction and hooding of the Doctor of  
Pharmacy Graduating Class of 2021

Brian Hemstreet, Pharm.D.  
Associate Dean for Student Affairs

Recitation of the Oath of a Pharmacist

Megan Thompson, Pharm.D.  
Assistant Dean of Experiential Programs

Concluding Remarks

Dean Ralph J. Altieri



## Recipients of the Degree Doctor of Pharmacy 2021

Connor Aldridge*	Alexandra Engelmann
Selamawit Alemayehu	Hayden Fields
Stephanie Anderson <i>Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma</i>	Timothy Finnegan*
Jase Archer* <i>Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma</i>	Megan Fischer
Sonya Barich* <i>Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma</i>	Jeffrey Forte*
Sila Bishara	Spencer Fosnot*
Makenna Bishop	Noah Gallegos
Delaney Bryant <i>Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma</i>	Morgan Garlington*
Emily Burks	Kiet Giang*
Alysa Campuzano	Jessica Goldsby* <i>Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma</i>
Elizabeth Carpenter* <i>Rho Chi</i>	Hailee Griffin* <i>Phi Lambda Sigma</i>
Kimberly Carrasco	Tara Hafner
Stacey Chang	Eric Hartsfield <i>Phi Lambda Sigma</i>
Virginia Chang*	Zaynib Hassan* <i>Phi Lambda Sigma</i>
Amanda Charlton <i>Phi Lambda Sigma</i>	Marti Henry
Steven Chu	Allison Herbst
David Clarke	Carmine Hernandez
Sarah Coltrinari* <i>Rho Chi</i>	Suan Hong
Katarina Cornakova**	Taylor Hoover*
Katelyn Currier*	Opeyemi Ibrahim <i>Phi Lambda Sigma</i>
Lily Dang	Nassim Ijadi
Tanya Daughtry* <i>Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma</i>	Sarah Jallen
Nasim Dehkordi	Jordan Jenrette* <i>Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma</i>
Heather DeWaal*	Andrew Jung <i>Rho Chi</i>
Megha Dhingra <i>Phi Lambda Sigma</i>	Lawand Kamal* <i>Rho Chi</i>
Catherine Donaldson <i>Rho Chi</i>	Jasvir Kaur <i>Phi Lambda Sigma</i>
Joanna Dukes* <i>Phi Lambda Sigma</i>	Katelyn Kennedy <i>Rho Chi</i>
Kathryn Duschean	Crystal Kim
Stephanie Early* <i>Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma</i>	Jacob King
Jasmine Elabed	

Elizabeth Ko *Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma, with honors*

Kelly Koon *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Wuletawbizu Kurfe

Kathryn Lambertson *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Alison Lanier\* *Rho Chi*

Sydney Leanna

Elisabeth Lee

Jamie Lee

Shinae Lee

Susie Lee

Won Lee

Allison Lewis\*

Angela Li *Rho Chi, with honors*

Ethan Likes

Allison Loi

Katharine Lowrey

Samuel Maaiah

Colin Maehler\* *Rho Chi*

Marvis Makori

Jenna Markus

Meena Mattamana

Rica Mbau

Courtney McBride *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Clayton Miller\*

Josephine Mumar

Nicholas Munson

Sandra Nader\*

Dana Nguyen

Justin Nguyen

Lilian Nguyen

Tam Nguyen\* *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Trang Nguyen\*\*

Nitha Odollil *Rho Chi*

Krista Olsen *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Nicole Osbaugh\* *Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma, with honors*

Jasmine Pare\* *Rho Chi, with honors*

Ha Eun Park\* *Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma, with honors*

Pooja Patel+

Maria Pearson *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Jay Pendell

Michael Petrich

My Pham

Chau Phan-Backlund

Justine Phimmason

Maria Porras

Shannon Rademacher\* *Rho Chi*

Linssey Ramirez-Henry

Jackson Reed

Jacob Roberts

Heidi Roeder\*

Jessica Rogers\* *Rho Chi*

Samantha Roming\*

Devin Rose\*

Sean Russell

Alison Saunders

Taylor Schieber

Stefanie Schwab\* *Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma, with honors*

Angela Senethong

Nicholas Shortridge

Jerry Sicalo\* *Rho Chi, with honors*

Michael Silverstone

Sally Situ

Brooke Smith\* *Phi Lambda Sigma, with honors*

Fera Soedarsono

Eileen Spann\*

Kyle Stanley\*

Adrienne Stute

Nicholas Szczurek

Shasta Tall Bull *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Vasili Tasoulis

Peter Tonsits\* *Rho Chi*

Christopher Toporek

Holly Truong

Jevin Tzeng+

Mariah van Waes *Rho Chi*

Tracie VanHorn *Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma*

Yvette Velasquez

Cameron Welker

Raechel White\* *Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma*

Ashley Wiseley

Kristina Wright

Vincent Wysocki

Pengsue Yang\* *Rho Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma*

Kenny Yuan

Hao Zhang *Phi Lambda Sigma*

\*Pharmacy Curriculum Outcomes Assessment® Top performer

\*\* Graduate Certificate Completion, Integrative Health and Medicine

+ Graduate Certificate Completion, Cannabis Science and Medicine

Recipients of the Degree Doctor of Pharmacy  
North American-Trained Pharm.D. Program

August 2020

Jaspreet Kaur  
Brian Nelson Marcantel  
Sevak Olmessekian  
Laura Marie Penca  
Islam A Shehab  
Amy Edith Smendik

December 2020

Olugbade Omotoso Bolanle  
Marc Jason Bralow  
Louise Brown  
Jayesh Changela  
Dahlia Imad Elimairi  
Kinda Karra  
Noha Khalaf  
Maikhoi Diep Nguyen  
Abimbola Omobolamle Oyasiji  
Adelina Tan Uypeckcuat  
Lara Zakaria

May 2021

Shereen Abdallah Adam  
Omniah Mohamed ElMorshedy  
Sunira Jain  
Dustin Snowden Alan Jones  
David Matthew Kitley  
Phuong-Thao Thi Nguyen  
Janet Marie Reese

International-Trained Pharm.D. Program

May 2021

Abdullah Ibrahim Hamdan Al-Ajmi  
Trusha Patel

## Recipients of the Degree Doctor of Philosophy

### August 2020

Mustafa Ibrahim	Pharmaceutical Sciences
Reena Berman	Toxicology
Brian Tooker	Toxicology
Chong Kim	Pharmaceutical Outcomes Research

### December 2020

Kimberly Casalvieri	Pharmaceutical Sciences
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### May 2021

Yue Rachel Gao	Toxicology
Colin Anderson	Toxicology

## Recipients of the Degree Master of Science

### May 2021

Yeba Adje	Pharmaceutical Sciences
Yue Li	Pharmaceutical Sciences
Glen Harter	Pharmaceutical Sciences
Mark Colbenson	Biomedical Basic Sciences

## Recipients of the Graduate Certificate in Cannabis Medicine

Tracy Anderson  
Lindsey Foust  
Erin Johnson  
Tomer Mark  
Pooja Patel  
Jevin Tzeng

## Recipients of the Graduate Certificate in Integrative Health and Medicine

Leslie Baker  
Meghan Hewitt  
Stacie Mesec  
Surabhi Palkimas  
Kim Paxton  
Rhonda Pohlman  
Breeanna Sailas





## Academic Dress

Those who are receiving the Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences will receive a hood as they cross the stage. The hoods are lined with the University of Colorado school colors, silver and gold. The velvet border of the hood indicates the degree and field of study and usually follows the same code as the color of the tassel. For pharmacy, the color is olive green.

**Description of Honor Cords and Additional Accomplishments.** Graduates wearing cords signify recognition of individual achievement and participation in various honor societies.

*Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy:* Blue/White – These cords recognize active members of the University of Colorado’s AMCP student chapter. These individuals have demonstrated dedication to the practice of managed care pharmacy and leadership within the student chapter and in the community.

*American Society of Health-Systems Pharmacy:* Royal blue/Orange – These cords symbolize students’ hard work and dedication to both the Colorado Student Society of Health-System Pharmacists and profession. Eligibility for these cords designates active membership, participation in activities of the local, state, and national organizations of health-systems pharmacists while in school.

*CU-PediatRx: Student Chapter of the Pediatric Pharmacy Association (PPAG):* Teal – These cords distinguish pharmacy graduates who have maintained active involvement in or contributed to the establishment of CU-PediatRx, the student chapter of PPAG at the University of Colorado SSPPS. Through hard work and dedication, these students have demonstrated commitment to the practice of pediatric pharmacy and actively engaged in improving the care of children through communication, education, research and advocacy at the local and national levels.

*National Community Pharmacy Association:* Royal blue – These cords designate active members within University of Colorado’s NCPA student chapter. These students have demonstrated dedication to the practice of independent pharmacy and actively participated in community health and outreach events at both local and national levels.

*Phi Delta Chi Professional Pharmacy Fraternity:* Maroon/Gold – These cords designate active brothers within the University of Colorado’s Sigma Chapter of the national organization, founded in 1883. These students have actively contributed to advancing PDC’s mission of promoting leadership, professional and community service, scholarship, and brotherhood.

*Phi Lambda Sigma Society:* Green/Gold – Phi Lambda Sigma Society are individuals who have demonstrated dedicated service and leadership in the advancement of pharmacy, are of high moral and ethical character and are in good academic standing.

*Rho Chi National Honor Society:* Purple/White – These cords designate active graduating members of the Rho Chi Honor Society of Pharmacy. The Alpha Theta chapter of Rho Chi at the University of Colorado inducted these students in recognition of their excellence in intellectual achievement and their potential for lifelong leadership in pharmacy.

*Student Council:* Silver – These cords recognize active members of the School of Pharmacy’s Executive Student Council. Student Council members are class leaders who foster and maintain a cooperative and mutually beneficial relationship among the SSPPS (including its student body, faculty and staff) as well as the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus.

*Student National Pharmaceutical Association:* Black/White – These cords recognize active members of the University of Colorado’s SNPhA student chapter. These members have demonstrated commitment to addressing critical issues affecting healthcare and practice in diverse and underserved communities.

**The Honors Program** offers Pharm.D. students the opportunity to design and execute a research-oriented project. Honors Program students pursue special research interests with a high degree of individual attention from a faculty mentor within the school. Recognition for students completing the Honors Program is noted on their transcript and diploma as having graduated “with honors in research.”

**The Pharmacy Curriculum Outcomes Assessment® (PCOA®)** is a comprehensive tool developed by National Association of Boards of Pharmacy to provide an independent, objective, and external measure of student performance in United States pharmacy curricula. The \* identifies those graduates who were top performers on the PCOA.

## Oath of a Pharmacist

“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 human suffering my primary concerns.
- I will apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal 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.”

*Adopted by the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy House of Delegates, July 2007 and approved by the American Pharmacists Association.*