

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

Class of 2023

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 2023 my enthusiastic congratulations on the occasion of your graduation.

You have successfully completed one of the most challenging academic programs in higher education under trying circumstances – the COVID-19 pandemic that disrupted all of our lives and your education for several years. 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.

My best wishes to you all,



Ralph J. Altieri, Ph.D.
Dean



Convocation Procession

Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Administration

Ralph J. Altieri, Ph.D.
Dean

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Interim Chair, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences

Heather Anderson Ph.D.
Director of Outcomes and Assessment

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Associate Dean for Education

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Chair, Department of Clinical Pharmacy

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Associate Dean for Finance and Administration

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Assistant Dean for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

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Assistant Dean for Distance Degrees and Programs

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

Gina Moore, Pharm.D., MBA
Vice Dean/Chief Operating Officer

Wes Nuffer, Pharm.D.
Interim Director for Experiential Programs

Cindy O'Bryant, Pharm.D.
Associate Dean for Academic and Faculty Affairs

Manisha Patel, Ph.D.
Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies

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



Convocation Program

Introductory Remarks	Brian Hemstreet, Pharm.D. Associate Dean for Student Affairs
Welcome from the Dean	Ralph J. Altieri, Ph.D. Dean
Remarks by the Chancellor's Teaching Recognition Award Recipient	Tom Anchordoquy, Ph.D. Professor Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences
*Remarks by the President's Excellence in Teaching Award Recipient	Ty Kiser, Pharm.D. Professor and Vice Chair Department of Clinical Pharmacy
Remarks by the Representative of the Class of 2023	Barbara Calvert
*Remarks by the Representative of the Distance Degrees and Programs, Class of 2023	Hebatullah Ahmed Khairy Abdelgawad
Introduction and hooding of the North American-Trained and International-Trained Pharm.D. Programs Graduating Class of 2023	Shaun Gleason, Pharm.D., MGS Assistant Dean for Distance Degrees and Programs
Introduction and hooding of the Doctor of Pharmacy Graduating Class of 2023	Brian Hemstreet, Pharm.D. Associate Dean for Student Affairs
Recitation of the Oath of a Pharmacist	Wes Nuffer, Pharm.D. Interim Director of Experiential Programs
Alumni Remarks	Debra S. Devereaux, MBA, BS RPh, FASHP
Concluding Remarks	Ralph J. Altieri, Ph.D. Dean

**Speeches have been pre-recorded. Scan QR code below to listen.*



Recipients of the Degree Doctor of Pharmacy, 2023

Dorothy Achiaa Agyemang

Aidalis Alvarado

Emily Nicole Bales

Vasyl Baranets

Anna Olga Bergkamp, *Rho Chi*

Jacob Thomas Bost

Hannah Paige Bracken, *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Tricia Rose Brandenburg, *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Blake Stephen Bruene

James Matthew Buckley, II

Barbara Lynn Calvert, *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Michael Daniel Constant

Julia Nadine Davis

Taylor Lynnee DeBoer

Jacob Edward Denkins, *Rho Chi*

Ian Cirasunda Dettman

Erenz Joseph Dizon

Mitchell Adam Dobro

Amanda Ruth Dobson, *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Simon Angelo Donato

Chakavak Sara Farhangi, *Rho Chi*

Michelle Ferreira

Mariana Gallegos**

Juliana E. Gassmann, *Rho Chi*

Nicholas Andrew Gault

Daniel James Gray

Caitlin Ann Hart, *Phi Lambda Sigma, Rho Chi*

Nhu Lam To Ho

Mallory Paige Horton

Holly M. Hoshall

Ashley Huskey

Kaci Lee Johnson, *Phi Lambda Sigma, Rho Chi*

Damianus Kakrabah-Quarshie

Roman Aleksandrovich Komlev

Sydney Susan Kruse

Haley Nicole Lahey

Samuel Ian Larum

Christopher Minh Duc Le

Tri Minh Le

Alexandra M. Leath

Nicole Frances Lee

Hannah Equity Lewis, *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Sakura Maekawa, *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Melissa Vu Maffei, *Phi Lambda Sigma, Rho Chi*

Anh Thao Mai, *Rho Chi*

Kayla Larae Martinez

Nicole Lilik McDaniel

Julio Mece

Carina Daniela Medina

Markus Melbardis

Riley Elizabeth Purnell Mitchell

Katarzyna Modrzejewska

Natalie Anne Mostek, *Phi Lambda Sigma, Rho Chi*

Guadalupe Puente Mouzakis

Hyoeum Mun

Salim Mussa

Kayleigh Sarah Mydosh

Alexander Trong Nguyen

Nguyen Thach Nguyen Nguyen

Zachary James Nuss, *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Lucas David Olivas, *Rho Chi*

Miguel Andres Orellana

Shelley Park

Yeshaben Ajaykumar Patel

Alexandra Phen, *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Ashley Ann Phyu

Courtney Elizabeth Pos

Lauren Alexis Quintana

Manpreet Kaur Randhawa, *Rho Chi*

Brenten David Ritter, *Rho Chi*

Deliz Rodriguez

Daniel Paul Rosales

Bridget E. Sautel

Megan Christine Schlueter

Kimberly Katherine Scott

Andrea Segerstrom Nunez, *Phi Lambda Sigma*

Nicole Lynn Semmler

Toral Shah

Taylor Sjobakken

Brittney Christine Sjulstad, *Phi Lambda Sigma, Rho Chi*

Lea Jihee Son, *Rho Chi*

Jordan Southall



Kurt Michael Spitzer
Shelby Elizabeth Stensgard
Jenna Elizabeth Stewart
Marie Christine Storer, *Phi Lambda Sigma, Rho Chi*
Timothy C. Talbot
Allison Tamaki Tani
Shayan Tavana
Candace Joelle Teel, *Rho Chi*
Vinh Khac Nhat Thai**, *Phi Lambda Sigma, Rho Chi*
Kristal Gau Nu Thao
Christoph Nikolai Thode
Michael Alan Thomas
Nicholas Tieu

Hanna Judith Tillman
Rolando Torres
Jessica Tran
Vananh Nguyen Tran
Stephanie Nicole Vagias
Jessica Marie Van Laren, *Rho Chi*
Madison Ward, *Phi Lambda Sigma, Rho Chi*
Cheyene Leigh Watson
Frederica Ann Young, *Phi Lambda Sigma, Rho Chi*
Eugene Yuxin Zhang
Mengdi Zhu, *Rho Chi*
Joshua Steven Zimmerman

**Graduating with honors



Recipients of the Degree Doctor of Pharmacy - Distance Degrees & Programs

North American-Trained Pharm.D. Program

August 2022

Sajimon George

December 2022

Hebat Allah Bakhach

Zaida Fenner

Patricia Ann Tower

Olga Andreyevna Tsybina

May 2023

Mahmoud Hussien Abdelmaksoud

Farah Mohsin Abdulkareem

Sylvester Anaje

Sara Hope

Suet Huang, *Rho Chi*

Chungah Huggett

Michael Edward Ibrahim

Kristi J. Luley (McLain)

Haider Muhsin

Chidubem Adanna Okeke, *Rho Chi*

Chioma Uchechi Ugwa

International-Trained Pharm.D. Program

December 2022

Kandarp Chandravadan Mehta

Dipenkumar Pravinkumar Patel

May 2023

Hebatullah Ahmed Khairy Abdelgawad

Misoon Amna Elmekki

Amandeep Singh



Recipients of the Degree Doctor of Philosophy

August 2022

Kendra Prutton

Toxicology

December 2022

Kimberly Deininger

Pharmaceutical Outcomes Research

May 2023

Lana Salah

Pharmaceutical Sciences

Lan Chen

Toxicology

Keegan Rogers

Toxicology

Recipients of the Degree Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences

May 2023

Farah Abdelmawla

Dana Bakdach

Andrew Basalla

Stephanie Bersie

Sophia Clune

Charles Bryan Corey

Diksha Diundi

Allison Evans

Lindsey Foust

Maya Handelsman

Jazmin Oliver

Jordan Palan

Juhi Parsana

Monica Pittiglio

Sharvari Pradhan

Riley Randolph

Maria Trivino Samper

Nour Tobeh



Recipients of the Graduate Certificate in Cannabis Medicine

December 2022

Winona Booher

May 2023

George Clinkscales

John Davey

Francis Dennard

Brandon Finley

Julia Funai

Emma Myers

Evelyn Tomaszewski

Ann Vincent



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.”



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 suffering my primary concerns.
- I will promote inclusion, embrace diversity, and advocate for justice to advance health equity.
- I will apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal outcomes for all patients.
- I will respect and protect all personal and health information entrusted to me.
- I will accept the responsibility to improve my professional knowledge, expertise, and self-awareness.
- 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 Board of Directors and the American Pharmacists Association Board of Trustees in November 2021

