

# EVMS

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# EASTERN VIRGINIA MEDICAL SCHOOL

Nearly 50 years ago, a group of dedicated physicians and community leaders recognized there was a shortage of physicians and a scarcity of specialized care in the Hampton Roads region. Their idea to open a medical school in Norfolk gained momentum in 1964 when local citizens persuaded the Virginia General Assembly to create a medical authority charged with starting a school. In 1973, EVMS was created to educate the next generation of healthcare professionals, to take research from the bench to the bedside and to provide quality patient care.

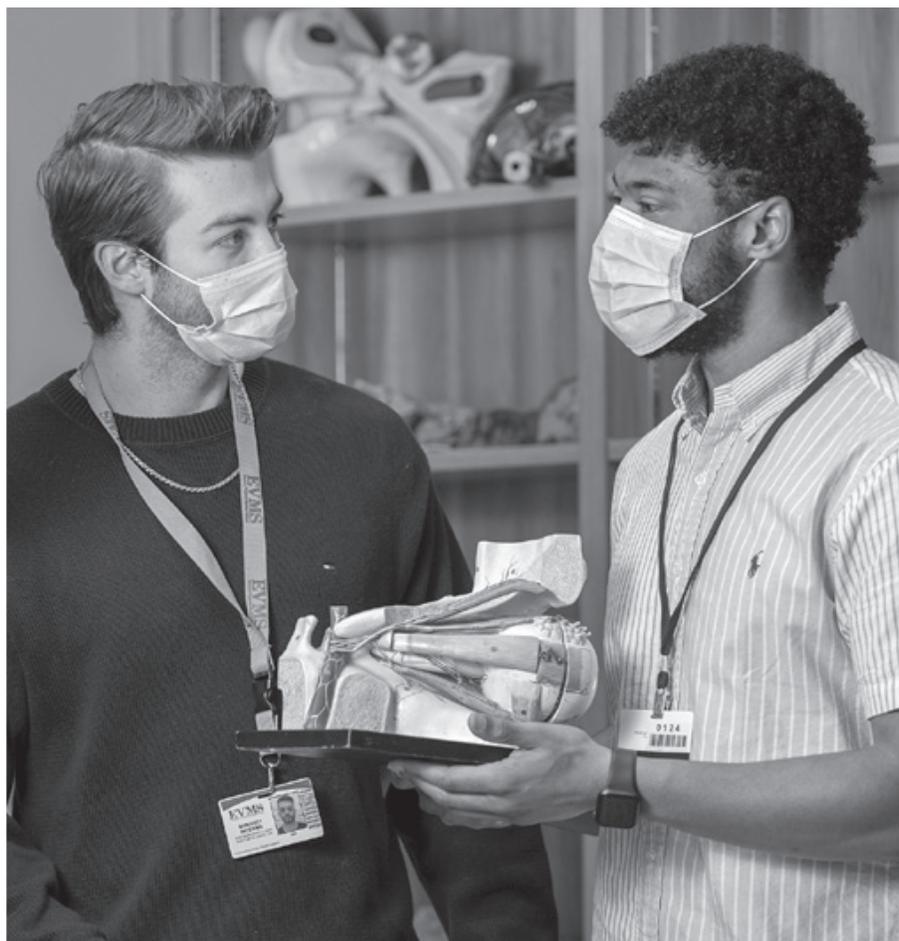
Today, EVMS holds an honored position in American history as one of the only medical schools founded and funded by a grassroots effort. Over the years, EVMS has more than satisfied its original purpose to educate healthcare providers and attract much-needed specialists to a region where basic services were lacking. Many who are educated at EVMS choose to stay and practice in the region, and the school's impressive portfolio of teaching affiliates includes the region's foremost medical centers and approximately 150 private practices around Hampton Roads.

The collaborative culture at EVMS draws like-minded students and faculty from all over the country and attracts highly qualified healthcare professionals whose wide range of specialty care might otherwise be beyond reach. And the research conducted by EVMS faculty is driven by the needs of the community.

Since its beginning, EVMS has grown from a class of 27 students to 1,320 medical and health professions students in the 2022-2023 academic year. Today, EVMS ranks among the top 20 non-federal employers in the region and has an annual economic imprint of more than \$1.2 billion in Hampton Roads.

As EVMS moves into the future, the school remains at the forefront of innovation in workforce development for the health sector, with a vision for a community where all people experience improved health outcomes and have access to high quality, compassionate care.







## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Graduates,

On behalf of the EVMS Board of Visitors, EVMS Foundation Board of Trustees and EVMS faculty and staff, I congratulate you on reaching this major milestone! Your diligence, commitment and enthusiasm for learning have brought you to this point. These qualities, combined with the knowledge and skills gained at EVMS, will serve you well as you start the next chapter of your careers.

Commencement is a time to celebrate your successes and achievements. It also is a testament to your steadfast dedication to answering an important call to contribute to the health and well-being of communities around the world.

As health professionals, you understand we are living in historic and challenging times that will continue to shape and define your careers. That you have risen to meet the unprecedented challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic with grace, courage and resilience makes us even prouder of you. We are confident that you will continue to employ that same energy and determination to benefit the communities you now go on to serve.

You are the future, and we turn to you with high hopes. We expect great things from you in the years ahead, and we look forward to following your careers to revel in your contributions to the changing landscape of health — be that through practicing medicine and health professions, conducting research or teaching the next generation of health and healthcare professionals.

I hope that you draw regularly on your experiences at EVMS to inform your work ahead and wish each of you a career filled with success, joy and meaning. I know you will rise to the challenge of always working toward making your community — and the world — a healthier place.

Again, congratulations!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alfred Abuhamad". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Alfred Abuhamad, MD  
President and Provost  
Dean of the School of Medicine

## LETTER FROM ALUMNI RELATIONS

Dear Graduates,

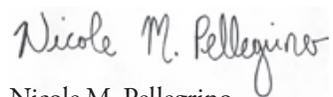
Upon your graduation today, you join more than 12,000 EVMS alumni worldwide. You have worked hard and sacrificed much to get here, and we're immensely proud of what you've accomplished. On behalf of everyone at EVMS, please accept my heartfelt congratulations.

Today's Commencement is more than a celebration — it marks the next phase in your journey. Wherever your training or career may take you now, Alumni Relations will help you have a lifelong connection to your alma mater and our ever-growing network of graduates. We encourage you to keep in touch and let us know about your continued success and achievements.

Wear your alumni pin with pride. You earned it, and it represents your “official membership” in a global community of professionals who are accomplishing great things. We want you to know that you will always be a part of the EVMS legacy, and we invite you to return for alumni events — or just for an informal visit.

Please stay connected with us. Continue to do good. And again, congratulations on becoming an EVMS alumnus! You did it!

All the best,



Nicole M. Pellegrino  
Director, Alumni Relations

## EVMS OFFICIALS

### EVMS BOARD OF VISITORS

The Board of Visitors is the governing body of EVMS. Members are appointed by the Governor, both houses of the state legislature, the cities that support the school and the EVMS Foundation.

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The EVMS Foundation supports the school. The board includes a cross-section of leaders from health care, business and the community.

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		<b>Stanley Waranch*</b>
		<b>Wayne F. Wilbanks, CFA</b>

*\*Deceased*

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## INFORMATION FOR GUESTS AND GRADUATES

Commencement is a joyous and memorable time for our graduates, and their families and friends. Here are a few tips to ensure all participants enjoy this special occasion.

### CEREMONY PROTOCOL

- Processional: Students in the School of Health Professions and School of Medicine will process in first, followed by our distinguished faculty and members of the platform party.
- Seating: Review the arena floor diagram located on page 11 in the program. Graduates will be seated according to their respective programs. Listen carefully, graduates' names will be called in a self-selected order as they cross the stage.
- Hooding: EVMS hoods doctoral candidates on stage. Participants from doctoral programs also have the opportunity to be hooded by family members who have a formal affiliation with EVMS and meet certain criteria. These students will be hooded last in their respective programs.

### CEREMONY DECORUM

Guests should maintain the civility and decorum expected at a formal graduation ceremony. In order to make Commencement a memorable event for all involved:

- Please remain seated during the ceremony.
- Please place cell phones and pagers on silent mode.
- Please refrain from excessive cheering to ensure each person's name can be heard.
- Please do not use air horns or noisemakers.
- Please remain seated for the entire ceremony as a sign of respect for all graduates.

### DIPLOMAS

Graduates will receive an EVMS diploma cover as they cross the stage. Graduates who have completed all degree requirements will receive their official diploma by mail in late June. All others may pick up their diplomas from the EVMS Registrar after completion of their program requirements.

### CONNECTING WITH YOUR GRADUATE

- Encourage those who could not attend today's ceremony to watch the livestream found at: [evms.edu/commencement](http://evms.edu/commencement).
- Immediately following the ceremony, meet your graduate outside on the Scope Plaza.

### GUESTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Accessible seating is available for guests with physical disabilities. Please see a Scope Arena staff member for help locating these areas. Sign language interpretation will be provided for guests seated on the risers closest to the arena floor in section 122.

### PHOTOGRAPHY

Feel free to take photos and video from your seat. Please refrain from approaching the arena floor during the ceremony, as this could obstruct the view for other guests or create a safety hazard.

EVMS has partnered with GradImages to capture this exciting milestone. Every student will be photographed as they walk across and alongside the stage. Students will also receive an email from GradImages to the personal, non-EVMS email address they have provided with a link to review the proofs of the photos and an option to purchase.

### SOCIAL MEDIA

Don't forget to share your special day with the EVMS community on social media. Tag @EVMSedu in photos and use the official commencement hashtag, #EVMSGrad2023, when sharing memories and achievements online. Follow @EVMSedu on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and LinkedIn and subscribe to the EVMS YouTube channel at [YouTube.com @EvmsEdu](http://YouTube.com/EvmsEdu).

### PURCHASE FLOWERS FOR YOUR GRADUATE

Commemorate the day by purchasing flowers for your graduate and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the EVMS Fund, supporting the school's education, research and patient care missions. Limited quantities of roses, spring bouquets and orchid leis will be available for purchase while supplies last at the main entrance on the Concourse Level of Scope before and during the ceremony. Guests who preordered flowers may pick up their orders at the same location.

### EVMS MERCHANDISE

EVMS alumni merchandise and memorabilia are for sale at [www.webmedbooks.com/evms](http://www.webmedbooks.com/evms) or at the Matthews Bookstore on the EVMS campus today until 4 p.m. Call 757.446.5819 for more information.

### EMERGENCY INFORMATION

In case of an emergency, please remain seated until further instructions are announced. Scope staff will guide guests and graduates to the nearest exit, if needed. If medical attention is needed, please seek out a Scope usher or an EVMS police officer, who will notify on-site emergency responders.

### LOST AND FOUND

Inquiries about misplaced items should be directed to the Scope following the ceremony by calling 757.664.6464.

# GRADUATE SEATING DIAGRAM



Faculty
Master of Science in Reproductive Clinical Science- Embryology & Andrology
Master of Surgical Assisting
Master of Science in Laboratory Animal Science Master of Medical & Health Professions Education
Master of Science in Contemporary Human Anatomy
Master of Health Sciences, Pathologists' Assistant
Master of Healthcare Analytics Master of Histotechnology Master of Healthcare Administration
Doctor of Medicine

Faculty
Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Sciences Doctor of Philosophy in Reproductive Clinical Science Embryology & Andrology Doctor of Health Sciences Doctor of Philosophy in Medical and Health Professions Education
Master of Science in Art Therapy & Counseling
Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences-Medical
Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences -Research
Master of Public Health
Master of Physician Assistant

Degrees will be conferred first in the School of Health Professions by highest degree followed by the remaining academic programs based on the year they were established at EVMS. Degrees will be conferred next for the School of Medicine.

Graduates are seated on the arena floor by academic programs in the order in which degrees will be awarded. Likewise, graduates' names are listed by academic programs in the order in which their respective degrees will be conferred, beginning on page 35 of the Commencement program.



## CORE BELIEFS

### OUR MISSION

Eastern Virginia Medical School is an academic health center dedicated to achieving excellence in medical and health professions education, research and patient care. We value creating and fostering a diverse and cohesive faculty, professional staff and student body as the surest way to achieve our mission. Adhering to the highest ethical standards, we will strive to improve the health of our community and to be recognized as a national center of intellectual and clinical strength in medicine and health professions. Our commitment to ensuring institutional effectiveness is demonstrated by the continuous assessment processes we use to improve program performance and student learning outcomes.

### OUR VISION

Eastern Virginia Medical School will be recognized as the most community-oriented school of medicine and health professions in the nation.

### OUR VALUES

Three core values drive our daily efforts:

**EXCELLENCE:** We determine with our stakeholders what is valuable and hold ourselves to high performance standards that fulfill our promises.

**COLLEGIALITY:** We serve our community and one another, building strong and mutually supportive relationships. We work as a cooperative, united team to further our purposes of education, research and patient care.

**INTEGRITY:** We strive to maintain the highest ethical standards and accept accountability for all we do and say.

### OUR DIVERSITY STATEMENT

The education, research and patient care mission of Eastern Virginia Medical School is shaped by many considerations: the demographics of the surrounding communities, the significant presence of military personnel, retirees and their families, the rural and underserved communities of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the broader national and global need to address gaps in the health workforce and the accessibility of health care.

Eastern Virginia Medical School has a unique history as one of the few institutions in the United States established by the local community to serve the local community. Indeed, its vision is to be the most community-oriented school of medicine and health professions in the nation. In fulfilling that vision, EVMS strives to attract talented students, trainees, faculty, staff and leaders who bring diverse attributes and experience to drive our collective commitment to excellence.

Eastern Virginia Medical School embraces diversity broadly defined, but places a special emphasis on recruitment of women, traditionally underrepresented minorities in medicine and the health professions (African Americans, Latinos, American Indians and Native Alaskans, and Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders), veterans and individuals who come from socioeconomically disadvantaged backgrounds. Acknowledging that diversity is a fluid and evolving concept, we will continually strive to be inclusive of individuals and groups in the broadest possible manner.



# ORDER OF EXERCISES

PROCESSIONAL	<i>Pomp and Circumstance No. 1 by Sir Edward Elgar</i>
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM	<b>Ashley Brooke Bell</b>
WELCOME	<b>Bruce D. Waldholtz, MD, Rector, EVMS Board of Visitors</b>
REMARKS & INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER	<b>Alfred Abuhamad, MD, President and Provost, Dean, School of Medicine</b>
KEYNOTE ADDRESS	<b>Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, PhD, MD, MAS, Editor In Chief, Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) and the JAMA Network and the Lee Goldman, MD Endowed Professor of Medicine and Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of California, San Francisco</b>
PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE CANDIDATE HONORIS CAUSA KIRSTEN BIBBINS-DOMINGO, PhD, MD, MAS	<b>Alfred Abuhamad, MD, President and Provost, Dean of the School of Medicine</b>  <b>Bruce D. Waldholtz, MD, Rector, EVMS Board of Visitors</b>
CLASS REMARKS	<b>A. Todd Howell, School of Health Professions Student Representative, Doctor of Health Sciences Class of 2023</b>  <b>Riley Max Suter, School of Medicine Student Representative, MD Class of 2023</b>
REMARKS PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES	<b>C. Donald Combs, PhD, Vice President and Dean, School of Health Professions</b>
CONFERRING OF DEGREES	<b>Alfred Abuhamad, MD, President and Provost, Dean of the School of Medicine</b>
REMARKS PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES	<b>Ronald W. Flenner, MD (MD '89), Vice Dean, Academic Affairs</b>
CONFERRING OF DEGREES	<b>Alfred Abuhamad, MD, President and Provost, Dean of the School of Medicine</b>
THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROFESSIONAL OATH	<b>Kimberly K. Dempsey, EdD, MPA, PA-C (MPA '03), Director, Physician Assistant (MPA and DMSc)</b>
THE OATH OF HIPPOCRATES	<b>Ronald W. Flenner, MD (MD '89), Vice Dean, Academic Affairs</b>
ALUMNI REMARKS	<b>Jeniffer M. Campo, MD (MD '98, Residency '01), Chair, EVMS Alumni Board</b>
RECESSIONAL	<b>Athalia: War March of The Priests by Felix Mendelssohn</b>

# COMMENCEMENT TRADITIONS

## PLATFORM PARTY

**Alfred Abuhamad, MD**  
*President and Provost  
Dean, School of Medicine*

**Marta Agata Ambrozewicz, MD, PhD**  
(PhD '09, Fellowship '11)  
*Director, Contemporary Human Anatomy*

**Jordan R. Asher, MD, MS**  
*Executive Vice President and Chief Physician  
Executive, Sentara Healthcare*

**Shirley C. Baldwin, MBA**  
*Chair, EVMS Foundation Board of Trustees*

**Betty B. Bibbins, MD (MD '82)**  
*Secretary, EVMS Board of Visitors*

**Paul E. Bibbins Jr., MS, PhD**  
(PhD '86), DHL (Hon)  
*Special Guest*

**Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, PhD, MD, MAS**  
*Commencement Speaker*

**L.D. Britt, MD, MPH**  
*Vice Dean, Clinical Affairs*

**Jeniffer M. Campo, MD**  
(MD '98, Residency '01)  
*Chair, EVMS Alumni Board*

**C. Donald Combs, PhD**  
*Vice President and Dean,  
School of Health Professions*

**R. Clinton Crews, MPH**  
*Assistant Dean, Admissions & Enrollment  
Director, Surgical Assisting  
(Certificate and MS)*

**Deborah H. Damon, PhD**  
*Director, Biomedical  
Sciences-Medical*

**Kimberly K. Dempsey, EdD, MPA, PA-C**  
(MPA '03)  
*Director, Physician Assistant  
(MPA and DMSc)*

**Ronald W. Flenner, MD (MD '89)**  
*Vice Dean, Academic Affairs*

**Christopher K. Foley, MD**  
*Chief Clinical Operating Officer and  
Chief Medical Officer, CHKD*

**Marissa C. Galicia-Castillo, MD, MEd**  
(MD '97, Residency '00)  
*Director, EVMS Glennan Center for  
Geriatrics and Gerontology  
Director, Hospice and Palliative  
Medicine Fellowship*

**Mekbib L. Gemeda, EdD**  
*Vice President, Diversity and Inclusion*

**David R. Golay**  
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**Adam Hembree, MA**  
*Commencement Reader*

**Brian O. Hemphill, PhD**  
*President, Old Dominion University*

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*Vice Rector, EVMS Board of Visitors*

**A. Brooke Hooper, MD**  
*Assistant Vice Dean,  
Clinical Education*

**Alireza Hosseini, MD**  
*Director, Laboratory Animal Science*

**A. Todd Howell**  
*School of Health Professions Student  
Representative DHSc Class of 2023*

**Jorge L. Jacot, PhD**  
*Director, Pathologists' Assistant &  
Histotechnology*

**Mily J. Kannarkat, MD (MD '06)**  
*Assistant Vice Dean,  
Pre-Clinical Education*

**Thomas D. Kimble, MD (Residency '08)**  
*Assistant Vice Dean,  
Admissions and Enrollment*

**Allison P. Knight, PhD**  
*Assistant Vice Dean, Student Affairs*

**Brian C. Martin, PhD, MBA**  
*Senior Associate Dean, Administration  
Director, Master of Public Health and  
Master of Healthcare Analytics*

**Mary M. Roberts, PhD, LPC-ACS,  
ATR-BC, ATCS (MS '97)**  
*Director, Art Therapy and  
Counseling (Certificate and MS)*

**Cynthia C. Romero, MD (MD '93)**  
*Director, M. Foscue Brock Institute for  
Community and Global Health*

**Mary C. Rubino, MD**  
(MD '02, Residency '05)  
*Associate Professor,  
Family & Community Medicine*

**Amy J. Sampson**  
*Chief Executive Officer, CHKD*

**Gregory T. Scott, PhD**  
*Director, Doctor of Health Sciences*

**Julie E. Stoner, PhD, MPH**  
*Assistant Dean, Administration and  
Engagement, Academic Affairs*

**Riley Max Suter**  
*School of Medicine Student Representative  
MD Class of 2023*

**David A. Taylor-Fishwick, PhD**  
*Director, Biomedical Sciences (MS and PhD)*

**Bonnie Van Lunen, PhD, MEd**  
*Dean, College of Health Sciences,  
Old Dominion University*

**Bruce D. Waldholtz, MD**  
*Rector, EVMS Board of Visitors*

**Laurie L. Wellman, PhD**  
*Assistant Dean, Pre-Clinical Education*

**Glenn A. Yap, PhD, MBA, MS**  
*Director, Healthcare Administration*

**Natalie Young, MA**  
*Commencement Reader*

**Liang Yu, PhD, MS**  
(Fellowship '15, MS '20)  
*Director, Reproductive  
Clinical Science (MS and PhD)*

# COMMENCEMENT TRADITIONS

## MARSHALS

The tradition of academic marshals comes from storied English universities.

In academic ceremonies, the grand or chief marshal is the chief protocol officer who coordinates the ceremonial traditions of Commencement, including the processional and recessional. The chief marshal also is historically responsible for the school's relics, including the mace and the baton, and is a member of the faculty.

Marshals also carry gonfalons, or banners suspended on crossbars, representing the different schools or groups in a processional. Gonfalons originated in 12th-century Italy to represent various districts or quarters and are symbols of state or office, often displaying a coat of arms. They were carried in processions by chief magistrates or other elected officials.

EVMS marshals carry gonfalons to represent and announce the arrival of the platform party, members of the faculty, the School of Health Professions and the School of Medicine. The 2023 EVMS marshals are:

**Marissa C. Galicia-Castillo, MD, MEd**

(MD '97, Residency '00)

*Chief Marshal*

John Franklin Distinguished Chair for Geriatrics  
Director, Glennan Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology

**David R. Golay**

*Platform Party Marshal*

Registrar

**Mary C. Rubino, MD**

(MD '02, Residency '05)

*Faculty Marshal*

Associate Professor, Family and Community Medicine

**Laurie L. Wellman, PhD**

*School of Medicine Marshal*

Assistant Dean, Pre-Clinical Education  
Professor and Vice Chair, Pathology and Anatomy

**Liang Yu, PhD, MS**

(Fellowship '15, MS '20)

*School of Health Professions Marshal*

Associate Professor and Director,  
Reproductive Clinical Science - Embryology and Andrology (MS and PhD)

## COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

KIRSTEN BIBBINS-DOMINGO, PhD, MD, MAS

*Editor-in-Chief*

*Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)  
and the JAMA Network*

*Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics,*

*University of California, San Francisco (UCSF)*

Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, PhD, MD, MAS, is the 17th Editor in Chief of the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) and the JAMA Network. She is the Lee Goldman, MD Endowed Professor of Medicine and Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF).

Dr. Bibbins-Domingo is a general internist, cardiovascular disease epidemiologist and a national leader in prevention and interventions to address health disparities. She is a physician-scientist who has used observational studies, pragmatic trials and simulation modeling to examine effective clinical, public health and policy interventions aimed at prevention.

Dr. Bibbins-Domingo previously served as the inaugural Vice Dean for Population Health and Health Equity in the UCSF School of Medicine and the Chair of the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at UCSF. She co-founded the UCSF Center for Vulnerable Populations at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital that generates actionable research to advance health equity and reduce health disparities in the San Francisco Bay Area, California, and nationally.

Dr. Bibbins-Domingo was a member of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force from 2010-2017 and led the Task Force as the Vice-Chair and Chair from 2014-2017. She is an elected member of the American Society for Clinical Investigation, the Association of American Physicians, the National Academy of Medicine and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.



KIRSTEN BIBBINS-DOMINGO, PhD, MD, MAS

## THE HONORARY DEGREE

EVMS grants honorary degrees to those who have made significant, far-reaching contributions to society. Recipients must have qualities and records of achievement that warrant recognition by an educational institution, particularly from EVMS, as recipients are forever associated with the school.

### RECIPIENT OF HONORARY DEGREE

#### KIRSTEN BIBBINS-DOMINGO, PhD, MD, MAS

Dr. Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo is a trailblazing physician/scientist and scholar who has built on her stellar professional background to become a leading figure in medicine and an influential advocate for the health of vulnerable populations.

Chosen by a group of leaders from across medicine and academia, she was appointed Editor in Chief of the Journal of the American Medical Association. She became the second woman and the first Black person to fill this prestigious position.

Throughout her career, Dr. Bibbins-Domingo has worked to study the effectiveness of clinical, public health and policy interventions focused on prevention. With her elevation to one of the top positions in U.S. medicine, she has capitalized on that post to shine a national spotlight on the need for additional study in the fields of disease prevention and health equity.

Working with the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, including three years as Chair, she helped rebuild public confidence in this important advisory organization. Her publications – numbering more 300 – demonstrate a strong interest in cardiovascular disease, disease prevention and addressing health disparities with a focus on people of all ages in a broad cross section of racial and ethnic groups.

As a leading figure in academic medicine, she has consistently advocated on behalf of vulnerable groups and has championed the need for additional research to reduce health disparities in at-risk populations.

Her scientific expertise is boundless, earning her honors as a member of the esteemed National Academy of Medicine and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Throughout her career, she has demonstrated the best qualities of a healthcare professional: compassion, intellect, expertise and humility.

She is a true role model for all who practice in this profession.

For her dedication to the field of medicine and at-risk populations, her leadership and service, the EVMS Board of Visitors has conferred upon Dr. Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa.

## COMMENCEMENT TRADITIONS

### THE PRESIDENTIAL SEAL, MEDALLION AND CHAIN OF OFFICE

The presidential medallion is 3 inches in diameter, crafted with antique silver and blue enamel, and reveals the presidential seal. The presidential medallion anchors the chain of office. Chains of office, also known as collars, were badges of office in the Middle Ages. Today, they are metal necklaces, permanent parts of an institution's president's academic regalia, and are worn at formal ceremonial events. The EVMS chain of office, commissioned in 2013, depicts the former presidents and their terms of office at EVMS.

The presidential seal is one of an academic institution's most important symbols of office, the legal mark of the school's governing body. The seal is used to authenticate official documents such as diplomas and other legal records.

The EVMS presidential seal, a symbol of Eastern Virginia Medical School and the Eastern Virginia Medical Authority (EVMA), depicts triple interlocking strands representing the essential relationships needed for an excellent regional academic health network. Patient care, learning and scholarly endeavor, organized in a coherent regional healthcare and educational system, reflect the talents and resources needed to provide quality services.

The intertwined loops also represent the communities of Eastern Virginia which, working together, can achieve a degree of healthcare that none of them alone can attain. Finally, the symbol emphasizes the essential need for collaborative efforts among healthcare professionals and institutions – hospitals, colleges, universities, the medical school and the medical authority – if quality healthcare is to be fully achieved in Eastern Virginia. It is to this end, then, that the EVMS and the EVMA are dedicated.

The EVMS presidential seal is also depicted on the mace, the baton and the diplomas.

### THE MACE

Academic maces, ornamental staffs, are descended from war clubs carried in medieval times by the body guards of civil officers. The mace is one of the oldest traditions in academia dating back to the early 1400s when it transitioned from warfare to ceremonial use. An academic mace symbolizes the authority invested in the president by the school's governing body. Because the mace is a symbol of the presidential authority as a school's legal representative with the right to govern, it is carried in procession immediately before the president. When the mace is present, the authority of the institution is present.

The EVMS mace was commissioned in 2013 and is carried by the rector of the Board of Visitors. It is 54 inches tall, lathed from cherry and depicts an antique silver presidential seal and the EVMS logo. The head is topped with an antique silver flame.

### THE BATON

Small wooden staffs are carried in academic processions by marshals, the academic term for ushers. Also known by the old English term "beadles," marshals march with their batons at the head of the degree candidates or faculty from each school, leading the way in the academic procession. Historically, beadles were minor church officials who served as ushers and kept order during services. Their batons were actually miniature war clubs.

The EVMS baton, commissioned in 2013, is carried by the chief marshal. It is 20 inches tall, lathed from cherry, depicts the presidential seal and is a replica of the mace.



# COMMENCEMENT TRADITIONS

## ACADEMIC REGALIA

Today's academic regalia — the robes and the distinctive “hoods” presented to graduates — originated in medieval Europe where clothing color and material signified an individual's wealth and stature.

The hood was the normal medieval headwear, but gradually there developed distinctive gowns and a colored lining to signify various professions, trades and religious orders. In 14th-century England, the statutes of certain colleges forbade “excess in apparel” and dictated the wearing of a long gown. In the days of Henry VIII of England, Oxford and Cambridge universities first began prescribing a definite academic dress and controlled even minor details. By the 17th century, if not earlier, these colors were strictly controlled, so that anyone could identify, from the color of a graduate's hood, the university and the degree. In 1895, representatives of America's leading academic institutions met to adopt a code of academic dress. Besides regulating the cut, style and materials of the gowns, the code prescribed the colors that were to represent the different fields of learning.

Today, with few exceptions, the academic robes are black and the colors of the hood reflect the field of learning and academic institution. Gowns for the bachelor's and master's degrees are untrimmed. For the doctoral-level degree, the gown is faced with black velvet; three bars of velvet are used across the sleeves. The velvet is usually black; however, these facings and crossbars may be of the color appropriate to the degree.

Mortarboards and tams are also part of the academic regalia. Doctoral level candidates, faculty and administration wear six-sided velvet tams. Master-level candidates, faculty and other participants wear mortarboards.

EVMS' colors by academic program are as follows:

## SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Dark Blue: Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Sciences; Doctor of Philosophy in Reproductive Clinical Science-Embryology and Andrology; Doctor of Philosophy in Medical and Health Professions Education (black gown with dark blue velvet front panels and side bars, dark blue hood and gold tassel)

Light Blue: Doctor of Education in Medical and Health Professions Education (black gown with light blue velvet front panels and side bars, light blue hood and gold tassel); Master of Medical and Health Professions Education (black gown with light blue hood and black tassel)

Gold: Doctor of Health Sciences (black gown with black velvet front panels and side bars, gold hood and gold tassel); Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences (Medical, Research); Master of Science in Laboratory Animal Science; Master of Science in Contemporary Human Anatomy; Master of Health Sciences-Pathologists' Assistant; Master of Science in Reproductive Clinical Science -Embryology and Andrology; Master of Healthcare Delivery Science; Master of Healthcare Analytics; and Master of Histotechnology (black gown with gold hood and black tassel)

Hunter Green: Master of Physician Assistant and Master of Surgical Assisting (black gown with hunter green hood and black tassel)

Olive Green: Master of Healthcare Administration (black gown with olive green hood and black tassel)

Peacock: Master of Science in Art Therapy and Counseling (black gown with peacock hood and black tassel)

Salmon: Master of Public Health (black gown with salmon hood and black tassel)

## SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Hunter Green: Doctor of Medicine (black gown with hunter green panels and side bars, hunter green hood and gold tassel)

# You helped us *Deliver on the Promise*



On June 30, EVMS' historic [*Deliver on the Promise*] campaign will draw to its conclusion after having raised more than \$80 million for research, education and patient care at EVMS.

That total includes \$11 million raised for scholarships and the establishment of 10 new academic honors. The campaign also raised \$13.8 million for research, including the Louis & Prudence Ryan Translational Research Fund, and \$20 million for new programs, including the Fine Family Academy of Educators, Health Sciences Academy and the Lawrence J. Goldrich Institute for Integrated NeuroHealth.

As the campaign concludes, we have another exciting opportunity to share.

Brad Waitzer, a longtime EVMS supporter, is challenging the community to close the scholarship gap for EVMS medical students.

**For every dollar invested in MD scholarships through June 30, 2023,  
Mr. Waitzer will contribute scholarship funding \$0.50 per \$1.00 — up to \$1 million.**

Help us meet the challenge with a gift to an existing or new scholarship in honor of your graduate at [evms.edu/waitzerchallenge](https://evms.edu/waitzerchallenge).

Deliver on the  
**[ PROMISE ]**  
The Campaign for EVMS

# AWARDS & SPECIAL RECOGNITION

## SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS AWARDS

**The Award for Excellence in the Pathologists' Assistant Program** is presented annually to the graduating student who has distinguished themselves with the highest performance in the Pathologists' Assistant program.

**Natalie Kay LeGree**

**The David E. Scott, PhD, Award** honors Dr. David E. Scott, from EVMS Pathology, who as a non-Physician Assistant provided instruction and support to the program since its inception in 1999. It is awarded annually by the Master of Physician Assistant program in Dr. Scott's memory to a non-Physician Assistant who has had an enduring impact on the growth, maturation and ongoing excellence of the PA program.

**Ashley E. Miller**

**The Eugene Stead Jr., MD, Award** honors the founder of the Physician Assistant profession, who started the first Physician Assistant program at Duke University in 1965. It is awarded to the graduating Physician Assistant student who best exemplifies the profession's ideals of courage, humility and wisdom when applying technical skills, scientific knowledge and human understanding to the care of the suffering.

**McKenzie Elizabeth Atkinson**

**The EVMS Alumni Association HP Student Service Award** is awarded annually to the graduating health professions student who demonstrates academic achievement as well as outstanding service to the class and Eastern Virginia Medical School.

**Ashlee Ann Elizabeth Steeley**

**The EVMS School of Health Professions Award for Community Service** is presented annually by the Student Government Association and recognizes a graduating health professions student who demonstrates personal commitment to community service through his or her volunteer participation in EVMS outreach or other initiatives in Hampton Roads and beyond. The recipient of this award will have made a significant contribution to benefit the community, organization or people served.

**Megan Nicole Bianchetta**

**Kyle McKee**

**The EVMS Student Government Association HP Leadership Award** is awarded annually to a graduating health professions student who has demonstrated significant achievement in leadership.

**Na'Zae A. Clark**

**The Gary Dean Hodgen, PhD, Award for Excellence in Reproductive Clinical Science** is given to a graduating student who has demonstrated excellence in research techniques and discovery.

**Mais Abdelrahman Aladham**

**Antonietta Di Berardino**

**The Georgeanna Seegar Jones, MD, Award for Academic Achievement in Reproductive Clinical Science** is given annually to an outstanding graduating student from the Master of Reproductive Clinical Science program in recognition of academic excellence. This award was created in memory of Dr. Jones and her innumerable contributions to the diagnosis and treatment of infertility.

**Richard E. Slifkin**

**The Mason C. Andrews Award for All-Around Excellence in the Reproductive Clinical Science Master's Program** is given to a graduating student in the Reproductive Clinical Science Master's Program in recognition of all-around excellence in academics and research. This award was created in memory of Dr. Andrews, who died in October 2006, for his great contributions to Eastern Virginia Medical School, the Jones Institute for Reproductive Medicine and academic medicine.

**Carmen Elizabeth Abraham**

**The PARagon Award** is presented annually to a graduating Physician Assistant student who best excels in supervised clinical practice by increasing his or her knowledge base, clinical skills, competency and medical artistry.

**Samantha Sherwood Maxfield**

**The Paul J. Fink, MD, Outstanding Art Therapist Award** is awarded annually to a member of the graduating Art Therapy and Counseling class for academic, clinical and research excellence.

**Katherine Patrick Ketner**

**The Physician Assistant Preceptor of the Year Award** is awarded by the graduating Physician Assistant class. This individual is selected for excellence in clinical teaching and mentoring.

**Peter Kemp, MD**

**The Surgical Assisting Anatomy Award** is presented annually to a member of the graduating Master of Surgical Assisting class for academic performance of Clinical Oriented Anatomy.

**Synquisite Tiera Shamlee**

**The Surgical Assisting Faculty Award** is presented annually to a faculty member for outstanding service during the didactic year.

**Jessica Wilhelm, MSA, LSA, CSA, F-PRS**

# AWARDS & SPECIAL RECOGNITION

## SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS AWARDS

**The Surgical Assisting Preceptor Award** is presented annually to a preceptor for outstanding service during the clinical year.

**Lauren Budyta, LSA, CSA**

**The Timothy J. Bos Memorial Award in Biomedical Sciences** annually recognizes a graduating student from the Master of Biomedical Sciences Program who performed their research in the fields of Microbiology and/or Cancer Biology, who demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and exemplified the principles of collegiality and integrity. The award was established in memory of a

faculty member in EVMS Microbiology and Molecular Cell Biology who dedicated his life to the training of students and research at the intersection of Microbiology and Cancer Biology.

**Julian Briceño Hattler**

**The Virginia Association of Surgical Assistants Award** is presented annually to a member of the graduating Master of Surgical Assisting class for excellence in academic and clinical training.

**Elsa Maribel Garcia**

## SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AWARDS

**The Abraham Jacobi Award** is presented annually by EVMS Pediatrics to a graduating medical student who demonstrates a genuine commitment to pediatrics and academic excellence, and who exhibits compassion, honesty and a sincere dedication to the care of children.

**Julia Payton Worley**

**The Award for Excellence in Addiction Medicine** is presented annually by EVMS Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences to a member of the graduating medical class who has shown outstanding achievement and interest in the field of addiction medicine.

**Shaan Shiva Sharma**

**The Award for Excellence in Neuroscience** is presented annually by EVMS Pathology and Anatomy to a member of the graduating medical class who has shown outstanding achievement and interest in the field of neuroscience.

**Robert Forestal McCauley**

**The Award for Excellence in Psychiatry** is presented annually by EVMS Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences to a member of the graduating medical class who has demonstrated exemplary performance in the study of psychiatry.

**Taylor Sterling Wallace**

**The Desmond R.H. Gourley Award for Excellence in Pharmacology** is presented annually by EVMS Physiological Sciences to a graduating medical student to recognize excellence in the understanding and appreciation of the pharmacological principles of therapeutics.

**Tayab Waseem**

**The Edward Levy Award** is given annually by EVMS Internal Medicine to a graduating student in recognition of excellence in internal medicine.

**Caroline Benz**

**The Evelyn Lin, MD, Memorial Award** is presented annually by EVMS Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation to a graduating medical student for outstanding achievement in physical medicine and rehabilitation. The award was established as a memorial to Dr. Lin, who received her medical degree from EVMS in 1995.

**Surya Teja Gourneni**

**The EVMS Alumni Association MD Student Service Award** is given annually to the graduating medical student who demonstrates academic achievement as well as outstanding service to the class and Eastern Virginia Medical School.

**Riley Max Suter**

**The EVMS School of Medicine Award for Community Service** is presented annually by the Student Government Association and recognizes a graduating medical student who demonstrates personal commitment to community service through his or her volunteer participation in EVMS outreach or other initiatives in Hampton Roads and beyond. The recipient of this award will have made a significant contribution to benefit the community, organization or people served.

**Gabriel Cody Enciso**

**The EVMS Student Government Association MD Leadership Award** is awarded to a graduating medical student who has demonstrated significant achievement in leadership.

**Riley Max Suter**

# AWARDS & SPECIAL RECOGNITION

## SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AWARDS

**The Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award** is presented annually by the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine to a graduating medical student for outstanding achievement in emergency medicine.

**Ethan Miller Smolley**

**The Gary L. Pittenger and David E. Scott Award for Excellence in the Anatomical Sciences** is presented annually to a graduating medical student to recognize academic excellence in the anatomical sciences in memory of Gary L. Pittenger, PhD, and David E. Scott, PhD. Drs. Pittenger and Scott were members of EVMS Pathology and Anatomy who devoted their professional lives to scholarship in the anatomical sciences.

**Gagan Kumar Gupta**

**The James F. Lind Sr., MD, Award** is given annually by EVMS Surgery to the graduating medical student who demonstrates an outstanding knowledge of surgical principles and commitment to excellence in attaining the standards of academic surgery, and who exemplifies the qualities of a self-directed and lifelong learner.

**Andrew D. Rickelmann**

**The John Franklin Award** is presented each year by EVMS Internal Medicine to a graduating medical student for demonstrated excellence in internal medicine.

**Aaron Blose Lopacinski**

**The Lloyd Damsey, MD, Memorial Award** is given annually by EVMS Family and Community Medicine to the graduating medical student who best demonstrates a commitment to the ideals of family and community medicine, overall academic excellence, outstanding service to the school and community, and innovative research activities.

**Monica Mary Hana**

**The Mason C. Andrews Citizen Scholar Award** is presented annually by EVMS Obstetrics and Gynecology to the graduating medical student who demonstrates excellence in both academic achievements and community service, humbly working behind the scenes to make our environment a better place in which to work and live, thereby emulating the vision and spirit of Dr. Mason C. Andrews.

**Marc Franco Tresvalles Nepomuceno**

**The Medical Student Obstetrics and Gynecology Performance Award** is presented annually to a graduating medical student in recognition of exemplary performance in obstetrics and gynecology.

**Jamie Keegan Geraghty**

**The Melissa Warfield, MD, Humanism in Medicine Award** is presented annually to a fourth-year medical student who exemplifies the qualities of Dr. Melissa Warfield: a caring and compassionate role model and leader who embodies service through his or her actions in peer teaching, peer guidance, community service and patient-centered medicine.

**Stafford George Brown III**

**The Military Medicine Award** is presented annually by EVMS Academic Affairs to the graduating military medical student who has exemplified the highest degree of integrity, professionalism, and selfless service throughout their years at Eastern Virginia Medical School. This student's dual commitment to outstanding performance in doctoring and their military duties demonstrates great promise as they transition from EVMS student to United States Military Officer.

**Haley Michelle Ward**

**The Raymond V. van Wolkenten Memorial Student Award** is given to a graduating student committed to Family Medicine, showing an appreciation for the full breadth and scope of the specialty.

**Megan Lynn Harman**

**The Robert Campe Goodman and Augusta S. Goodman Award** is presented annually by EVMS Academic Affairs to a graduating medical student on the basis of both academic excellence and unselfish concern for others.

**Robert Matthew Seby**

**The Robert J. Faulconer Gold Medal** is awarded annually by EVMS Pathology and Anatomy to the graduating medical student who has demonstrated superior achievement in pathology.

**Aaron Blose Lopacinski**

**The Sir William Osler Awards** are given each year to an intern, a resident, an attending physician, a basic scientist and a community faculty preceptor by the graduating medical students in recognition of excellence in teaching:

**Richard A. Britten, PhD, *Outstanding Basic Scientist***

**Sharon Y. Hsu, MD, *Outstanding Intern***

**A. Brooke Hooper, MD, *Outstanding Physician***

**Katherine Bischoff de Caires, DO, *Outstanding Resident***

## AWARDS & SPECIAL RECOGNITION

### HONOR SOCIETIES

**Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society**, a professional medical organization, recognizes and advocates for excellence in scholarship and the highest ideals in the profession of medicine. AΩA values include honesty, honorable conduct, morality, virtue, unselfishness, ethical ideals, dedication to serving others, and leadership.

#### *Junior AΩA Students*

Gagan Kumar Gupta  
Kevin Matthew Guy

Aaron Blose Lopacinski  
Merete Lund  
Robert Forestal McCauley

Caleb Nathanael Morgan  
Mohammed Ihssan Yassin

#### *Senior AΩA Students*

Ann Ayzman  
Mackenzie Regan Barker  
Caroline Benz  
Elizabeth Ann Beverly  
Chloe Megan Carr  
Nicole Alexis Crofton  
Callie Marie Dacyczyn  
Kyle Deivert

Steven James Forte  
Jamie Keegan Geraghty  
Stephen Pearce Hayes  
Madeline Jacques  
Tacora Natosha Lemelle  
Timothy Wu Liu  
Blake Andrew Nowakowski  
Sarah O'Berry

Joseph David Rogers  
Ethan Miller Smolley  
Christopher Joseph Sommer  
Samuel David Stephenson  
Ryan Truitte  
Gina Rose Vivino  
Devan Jane Wilkins

#### *Residents and Fellows*

Diana M. Benedetti, MD  
Steve M. D'Souza, MD  
(MD '19, Residency '22)  
Garrison J. Glavich, MD (MD '18)  
Lisa M. Kenney, MD

Minju Kim, MD  
Clark K. McLaughlin, MD  
Elizabeth L. Miller, MD  
Nikita Mohan, MBBS  
Joseph F. Mullen, MD

Miles W. Reese, MD  
Alexander C. Schlarb, MD  
Alastair K. Thomson, MD  
Alejandra Vargas, MD

#### *Faculty*

Nana K. Cudjoe, MD, MPH  
Jason C. Dukes, MD, MBA  
Waleed Kassabo, MD, MBA  
Sarah C. Shaves, MD  
Peter G. Volsky, MD (Residency '14)

#### *Alumni*

Gabriella L. Miller, MD  
(MD '97, Residency '00)  
Patricia McAuliffe Strauss, MD  
(MD '84, Residency '87)  
Amanda L. Weller, MD (MD '08)

**Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health** encourages research and scholarship among graduate students of public health and recognizes achievement in the field. Delta Omega elects new student, faculty, alumni and honorary members each year based on high academic standards and outstanding performance in scholarship, teaching, research and community service. This year's inductees to the Alpha Kappa Chapter of the Delta Omega at Eastern Virginia Medical School and Old Dominion University are:

#### *Student Inductees*

Brady Goggin  
Cassandra Nichole McBryde  
Hannah Starkey

Ashlee Ann Elizabeth Steely  
Michaela Twisdale  
Erick Michael Vitug

#### *Faculty Inductee*

Mohan Dev Pant, PhD, PStat

#### *Honorary Inductee*

Stephanie M. Ewers, MPH

## AWARDS & SPECIAL RECOGNITION

### HONOR SOCIETIES

**Gold Humanism Honor Society** honors medical students, residents, role-model physician teachers and other exemplars recognized for “demonstrated excellence in clinical care, leadership, compassion and dedication to service.”

*A special thank you to The Arnold P. Gold Foundation for its support of the Gold Humanism Honor Society Chapter at Eastern Virginia Medical School.*

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#### *Student Inductees*

**Mary Ally**  
**Nelly Amini**  
**Fatima Zahrah Arif**  
**Mackenzie Regan Barker**  
**Elizabeth Ann Beverly**  
**Stafford George Brown III**  
**Anjali Ann Chacko**  
**Gabriel Cody Enciso**  
**Lauren Truwit Gilgannon**  
**Surya Teja Gourneni**  
**Monica Mary Hana**

**Mark Elliott Johnson**  
**Nicholas Peter Kochakian**  
**John Lee**  
**Navya Nuthivana**  
**Shivam Ramesh Pandya**  
**Joseph David Rogers**  
**Heidi Lynn Schoomaker**  
**Charles Edward Springer**  
**Kevin Michael Vogt**  
**Haley Michelle Ward**

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#### *Faculty Inductees*

**Stanley L. Brittman, MD**  
**Jessica R. Burgess, MD**  
**Julie A. Kerry, PhD**  
**Jessica L. Quirk, MD**

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#### *Resident Inductees*

**Brian A. Bird, MD**  
**John Janousek, DO**  
**Elizabeth L. Miller, MD**  
**Ashley M. Nelson, MD**  
**Robert H. Probst, MD (MD '22)**  
**Shekinah J. Vaughn, MD**

Gold Foundation Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine  
 Student Award:  
**Fatima Zahrah Arif**

Gold Foundation Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine  
 Faculty Award:  
**Aaron E. Mills, MD**

Thomas R. Pellegrino Humanism in Medicine Gold Reflex Hammer Award:  
**Scott Vergano, MD**

**Pi Alpha Honor Society** is the national honor society organized for the promotion and recognition of both physician assistant students and graduates. Membership signifies the inductees’ significant academic achievement and honors them for leadership, research, community and professional service, and other related activities. The society also encourages a high standard of character and conduct among students and graduates.

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#### *Student Inductees*

**Kristin Renee Anglin**  
**McKenzie Elizabeth Atkinson**  
**Levi James Bauer**  
**Matthew Brubaker**  
**Bryan Tillman Case**

**Na’Zae A. Clark**  
**David Forrest Haas**  
**Samantha Sherwood Maxfield**  
**Daniella Ramona Pizarro**  
**Lydia Webb Willis**

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#### *Honorary Inductee*

**Major Andrew Thagard, MD**

**Upsilon Phi Delta Honor Society** recognizes students, faculty, healthcare executives and administrators, and to those contributing to the healthcare administration profession who meet the national and local standards. Graduate student members must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 and all members must conduct themselves consistent with the Program’s values of Integrity, Diversity, Inclusiveness, Excellence, and Cultural Sensitivity. The inaugural student inductees to the EVMS Chapter of Upsilon Phi Delta Honor Society are:

**Ganna Krutii**  
**Cameron E. Lester**

**Parth Manojbhai Patel**  
**Regina Mercedes Tindal**

## AWARDS & SPECIAL RECOGNITION

### 2023 MILITARY GRADUATES

EVMS' Military Commissioning Ceremony was held Thursday, May 18, 2023, in McCombs Auditorium on the EVMS campus. Listed below, graduating physician assistant and public health students were honored and medical students were commissioned into service in the United States Armed Forces. EVMS is honored to recognize our military graduates from the Class of 2023:



#### UNITED STATES ARMY

**Thomas Pritchett**  
Second Lieutenant  
*MPA Class of 2023*

**Haley Michelle Ward**  
Captain  
*MD Class of 2023*



#### UNITED STATES NAVY

**Byanca Junn Bevet**  
Lieutenant Junior Grade  
*MPA Class of 2023*

**Osmin Lincoln Flowers**  
Lieutenant Junior Grade  
*MPH Class of 2023*

**Lindsey Paige Maiorana**  
Lieutenant Junior Grade  
*MPA Class of 2023*

**Riley Max Suter**  
Lieutenant  
*MD Class of 2023*

**Christopher John Ward**  
Lieutenant Junior Grade  
*MPA Class of 2023*



#### UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

**William Henry Colthorpe**  
Captain  
*MD Class of 2023*

**Kyle Deivert**  
Captain  
*MD Class of 2023*

**Abby Christina Hankins**  
Captain  
*MD Class of 2023*

**Robert Eugene Rodgers III**  
Captain  
*MD Class of 2023*

**Cody Ross Scott**  
Captain  
*MD Class of 2023*

**Hollie Alexandra Soave**  
Captain  
*MD Class of 2023*

# AWARDS & SPECIAL RECOGNITION

## STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

**Riley Max Suter**  
**MD Class of 2023**  
*Student Body President*

**Atif Niaz**  
**MD Class of 2025**  
*Student Body Vice President*

**Sarah Alnaif**  
**MD Class of 2024**  
*Vice President of Administration*

**Eric Gullborg**  
**MPA Class of 2025**  
*Vice President of Finances*

**Damonie Gavin Salmon**  
**MM Class of 2023**  
*Vice President of Health Professions Students*

**Evan Leung**  
**MD Class of 2024**  
*Vice President of Community Outreach*

**Lauren Elizabeth Coltrain**  
**MD Class of 2023**  
*Vice President of Wellness*

**Stefan Adrian Somgolie Edemobi**  
**MD Class of 2023**  
*Vice President of Diversity*

**The EVMS Student Government Association Staff Recognition Award**  
is given annually to a staff member in recognition of outstanding service to students.  
The 2023 award was presented to **Joann Bautti, MPA**.

## FACULTY AWARDS & SPECIAL RECOGNITION

### FINE FAMILY ACADEMY OF EDUCATORS

In 2018, the Fine family established The Fine Family Academy of Educators to recognize and elevate the status of healthcare educators who have made outstanding contributions to the EVMS community through sustained excellence in teaching, curriculum innovation, scholarship and educational leadership. A professional learning community in on-going pursuit of educational excellence and scholarship, The Fine Family Academy of Educators is highly regarded in advancing educators — and education — both locally and nationally. The inaugural class of The Fine Family Academy of Educators was inducted in September 2019. The Fine family has made it a personal legacy to give back to the community in which they reside and seek healthcare. EVMS is grateful for their continued leadership and their dedication to the institution. Their philanthropy through the decades has given EVMS scholarships, an academic honor, awarded faculty grants and named the Academy of Educators.

### MEMBERS

**Amanda K. Burbage, PhD**

*Assistant Professor, School of Health Professions, Medical and Health Professions Education Programs*

**Anjeza Cipi, MD (MD '15)**

*Assistant Professor, Emergency Medicine*

**Angela M.E. Conrad, MPA (MPA '05), PA-C**

*Associate Professor, School of Health Professions, Master of Physician Assistant Program*

**R. Clinton Crews, MPH**

*Associate Professor, School of Health Professions, Master of Surgical Assisting Program  
Director, Master of Surgical Assisting Program  
Assistant Dean for Admissions and Enrollment*

**Kimberly K. Dempsey, EdD, MPA (MPA '03), PA-C**

*Associate Professor, School of Health Professions, Master of Physician Assistant Program  
Director, Master of Physician Assistant Program  
Director, Doctor of Medical Sciences Program*

**Catherine J.F. Derber, MD (MD '99)**

*Associate Professor, Internal Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases*

**Alison E. Dobbie, MB ChB**

*Professor and Chair, Family and Community Medicine,  
The Glenn R. Mitchell Chair in Generalist Medicine*

**Anca D. Dobrian, PhD, FAHA**

*Professor, Physiological Sciences  
Vice Dean for Faculty Affairs and Professional Development*

**Mekbib L. Gemed, EdD**

*Assistant Professor, School of Health Professions  
Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion*

**Margaret E. Gesing, PhD**

*Assistant Professor, School of Health Professions, Medical and Health Professions Education Programs  
Director, Medical and Health Professions Education Programs*

## FACULTY AWARDS & SPECIAL RECOGNITION

**Charles S. Graffeo, MD**

*Professor and Residency Assistant Program Director, Emergency Medicine*

**Joy M. Hampton, MS, PA-C**

*Assistant Professor, School of Health Professions, Master of Physician Assistant Program*

**Natascha Heise, PhD**

*Assistant Professor, Pathology and Anatomy*

**Uzoma S. Ikonne, PhD**

*Associate Professor, Physiological Sciences*

**Mily J. Kannarkat, MD (MD '06)**

*Associate Professor, Internal Medicine, Division of Geriatric Medicine*

*Assistant Vice Dean for Preclinical Education*

**Julie A. Kerry, PhD**

*Professor and Chair, Microbiology and Molecular Cell Biology  
The EVMS Foundation Distinguished Professor in Biomedical Sciences*

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I pledge to perform the following duties with honesty and dedication:

I will hold as my primary responsibility the health, safety, welfare and dignity of all human beings.

I will uphold the tenets of patient autonomy, beneficence, nonmaleficence and justice.

I will recognize and promote the value of diversity.

I will treat equally all persons who seek my care.

I will hold in confidence the information shared in the course of practicing medicine.

I will assess my personal capabilities and limitations, striving always to improve my medical practice.

I will actively seek to expand my knowledge and skills, keeping abreast of advances in medicine.

I will work with other members of the health care team to provide compassionate and effective care of patients.

I will use my knowledge and experience to contribute to an improved community.

I will respect my professional relationship with the physician.

I will share and expand knowledge within the profession.

These duties are pledged with sincerity and upon my honor.

# THE OATH OF HIPPOCRATES

*(Modern)*

Upon this day of graduation from the Eastern Virginia Medical School as I seek admission to the medical profession: I do solemnly affirm, as did the ancient Greeks, by all that I hold most sacred that, according to my ability and judgment I will keep this oath and its stipulations.

I hold my teachers in this art equal to my own parents and extend to them the respect and gratitude which is their due.

I will by precept, lecture, and every other mode of instruction, impart a knowledge of the art to my progeny and those of my teachers, and to disciples bound by covenant and oath according to the law of medicine.

I will follow that system of treatment which according to my ability and judgment I consider for the benefit of my patients and abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous.

I will exercise my art, solely for the cure of my patients and the prevention of disease and will give no drugs and perform no operations for a criminal purpose nor far less suggest such a thing.

With honor and dignity I will practice my profession not permitting consideration of religion, nationality, race or social standing to intervene between duty and my patient.

Into whatsoever houses I enter, I will go for the benefit of the sick and will hold myself aloof from every voluntary act of wrongdoing or corruption.

Whatever I may see or hear in the lives of others which ought not be spoken abroad, I will not divulge, reckoning that such should be kept secret.

While I continue to keep this oath unviolated, may it be granted to me to enjoy life and the practice of the art, respected by all people in all times. But should I trespass and violate this oath, may the reverse be my lot.

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