

COMMENCEMENT

“Hail to the colors that float in the night...”




Cyril M. Grum, M.D. (Residency 1983), and Robert W. Lash, M.D., class marshals elected by the Class of 2003, led the Processional into Crisler Arena on May 30 for commencement ceremonies for 156 new University of Michigan doctors of medicine. Renovations to Hill Auditorium, the traditional venue for Medical School graduation, continue on course toward completion in late 2003.

This year's graduates had the opportunity to hear about the fundamental importance and role of the ethical dimensions of medicine from Edmund D. Pellegrino, M.D., the John Carroll Professor of Medicine and Medical Ethics at Georgetown University's Center for Clinical Bioethics, in remarks entitled "Professing Medicine: The Moral Imperatives." Class speaker Eugene Greenstein posed the ultimate question to his classmates in his address, "What Is It Really About?"



W. Chris Fox

Graduates and their families also celebrated the day before commencement at the annual Senior Lunch held at the Ann Arbor Sheraton Inn and sponsored by the Medical Center Alumni Society. In keeping with a tradition begun by the class of 2000, Class President Joseph Taylor presented Dean Allen S. Lichter (M.D. 1972) with a check representing the contribution of the school's newest alumni toward an endowment intended to one day help provide all students of the Medical School with scholarships covering their tuition costs, a goal shared by Dean Lichter.

In addition to graduating medical students, approximately 30 students received Medical School Ph.D.s in separate ceremonies held April 25 by the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies. 

“...Hurrah for the Yellow and Blue!”



Allison Smith, Ted Lin and Lorraine Lin at Senior Lunch

 Visit www.medicineatmichigan.org/magazine to see additional photos from this event.

Awards to Medical School faculty and graduating students for the 2002-03 academic year were presented at various spring events, including this year's commencement ceremony at Crisler Arena.

COMMENCEMENT AWARDS

Senior Year Award

To a junior clinical faculty member who has best upheld the ideals of medical education

Arno K. Kumagai, M.D., assistant professor of internal medicine

Patrick John Niland Award

In memory of Patrick John Niland, a member of the Class of 1986 who was killed in an automobile crash, awarded to the senior student who, in the eyes of the graduating class, best exemplifies Niland's positive, compassionate approach to medicine

Cemal Burak Sozener

FACULTY AWARDS

The American Medical Women's Association Gender Equity Award

By vote of the Medical School's student body, for gender fairness and commitment to gender-equal opportunities in medicine

Tamara A. Stein, Ph.D., lecturer in anatomical sciences

Elizabeth Crosby Award

Selected by the Galens Medical Society for outstanding teaching of medical students in a basic science area

Ameed Raouf, Ph.D., lecturer in anatomical sciences and in cell and developmental biology

Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Award

For exemplifying outstanding humanism in medicine

Andrew Flint, M.D., professor of pathology

Stefani Hudson



Kaiser-Permanente Awards for Excellence in Teaching

For dedication to quality teaching and improving the learning experience for each medical student; one award for pre-clinical teaching and one for clinical teaching

N. Cary Engleberg, M.D., professor of internal medicine and of microbiology and immunology

Douglas J. Gelb, M.D., Ph.D., clinical professor of neurology

SENIOR AWARDS

Dean's Award for Research Excellence

Chosen by faculty for outstanding research contributions during students' Medical School training

Michael Lee Chuang

Murray Adrian Cotter II

Dean's Commendation for Excellence in Clinical Skills and the Art of Medicine

For outstanding skills in verbal communication with patients, interviewing, counseling and physical diagnosis

Meredith Evelyn Adams

Dale L. Bixby

Kimberly Ann Candido

Sara Susan Chakel

Tara I-Hsin Chang

Todd Patrick Chassee

Murray Adrian Cotter II

Sean Peter Edwards

Paru P. Kathalia

Nancy Kim

Yvonne Claire Lee

Andrei Toma Nemoianu

Christopher Gregory Przybycin

Junewai Lee Reoma

Caroline McMillan Schreiber

Stefanie Anne Simmons

awards

George R. DeMuth Medical Scientist Award for Excellence

Awarded to a graduating senior in the Medical Scientist Training Program for outstanding research accomplishments and the qualities desired in the complete physician

Dennis Joseph Hartigan-O'Connor

Ralph M. Gibson Award

Presented to the senior minority student best exemplifying Gibson's emphasis on academic excellence and concern for minority students

LaToya S. Taylor

Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Award

For exemplifying outstanding humanism in medicine

Neal Earl Elkin

Frank E. Robbins Inteflex Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Professional Development

Awarded to the graduate of the Integrated Premedical-Medical Program whose overall record of excellence best exemplifies Inteflex's goal of educating well-rounded physicians who are compassionate, scientifically competent and socially aware

Joseph Charles Taylor

Andrew J. Zweifler Award for Excellence in Clinical Skills

For consistently demonstrating excellence in patient interactions and physical diagnosis

James N. Azim III

SCHOLASTIC AWARDS

Janet M. Glasgow Memorial Achievement Citation

Presented by the American Women's Medical Association to women who graduate with academic distinction from medical schools throughout the country

Lisa Shea Allred

Kimberly Ann Candido

Dean Lichter and Phillip Settini



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Tara I-Hsin Chang

Sara Susan Chakel

Yvonne Claire Lee

Stefanie Anne Simmons

Janet M. Glasgow Memorial Award

Awarded to a woman medical student should she graduate first in her class

Meredith Evelyn Adams

Academic Recognition Awards

Presented to the top five graduates who have consistently excelled throughout their medical education

Meredith Evelyn Adams

Dale L. Bixby

Sean Peter Edwards

Andrei Toma Nemoianu

Stefanie Anne Simmons

Academic Achievement Award

Sponsored by the Medical Center Alumni Society and presented for the highest academic standing in the graduating class

Meredith Evelyn Adams

DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

Roger A. Berg Prize in Radiology

For outstanding performance in radiology

Jeffrey Russell Flermoen

C. Gardner Child Third Award

For outstanding performance in the junior clerkship, senior electives, and research in surgery

Cheong Jun Lee

Terence C. Davies Award

For clinical and scholarly excellence in family medicine

Michael L. Bruderly

Award for Excellence and Commitment to Women's Health

Sponsored by the University of Michigan Center of Excellence in Women's Health Program

Layne Michelle Kumetz

Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award

For outstanding performance in the specialty of emergency medicine

Cemal Burak Sozener

Albert C. Furstenberg Award

For outstanding scholastic, clinical and research performance in otolaryngology

Meredith Evelyn Adams

Edgar A. Kahn Award

For outstanding performance in clinical or laboratory work in neurosurgery

William Christopher Fox

Debbie K. Song

William Dodd Robinson Award

For outstanding performance in the junior medicine clerkship and senior electives in internal medicine

Dale L. Bixby

Kimberly Ann Candido

Eli G. Rochelson Memorial Award

For outstanding performance in pulmonary and critical care medicine

Paru P. Kathalia

Robert B. Sweet Award

In recognition of the highest achievement and greatest potential in the field of anesthesiology

Thalia Christine Palmer

Harry A. Towsley Award

For outstanding performance in the junior pediatrics clerkship and senior pediatrics elective

Lisa Shea Allred

Raymond W. Waggoner Award

For distinguished performance in psychiatry

Amy Beth Rosinski

J. Robert Willson Award

For outstanding performance in obstetrics and gynecology

Pavna Kartha Brahma