



Hooding and Awards Ceremony *2017*

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
DEPARTMENT OF PA STUDIES
WAKE FOREST BIOTECH PLACE
SUNDAY, MAY 14



PA PROFESSIONAL OATH

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.

Hooding and Awards Ceremony

CLASS OF 2017

PRELUDE	Stratford Brass Quintet
PROCESSIONAL: <i>The Opening Gates</i>	Sarah A. Pierce Composed for the 1979 PA Program Graduation Ceremony
INVOCATION	The Reverend F. Keith Stirewalt, PA, MBA, MDiv Wake Forest School of Medicine PA Program, Class of 1984 Chaplain for Clinical Engagement, Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center
WELCOME.....	Suzanne Reich, MPAS, PA-C Associate Professor and Program Director, Department of PA Studies
INSTITUTIONAL WELCOME.....	Edward Abraham, MD Dean, Wake Forest School of Medicine
INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER.....	Erich J. Grant, MMS, PA-C Assistant Professor and Vice Chair of Education and Curricular Innovation, Department of PA Studies
REMARKS	Alisha T. DeTroye, MMS, PA-C, DFAAPA Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of PA Studies Director of PA Services and Director of Transitional and Supportive Care PA-C Hematology and Oncology, Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center

INVESTITURE OF THE CANDIDATES

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES	M. Jane McDaniel, MS, MLS (ASCP) SC Assistant Professor, Department of PA Studies Daniel T. Bertrams, MMS, PA-C Instructor, Department of PA Studies Sarah J. Garvick, MS, MPAS, PA-C Assistant Professor, Department of PA Studies Tanya Gregory, PhD Assistant Professor, Department of PA Studies K. Patrick Ober, MD Professor and Medical Director, Department of PA Studies Kristin J. Lindaman, MMS, PA-C Instructor, Department of PA Studies Brian B. Peacock, MMS, PA-C Assistant Professor, Department of PA Studies Courtney J. Perry, PharmD Assistant Professor, Department of PA Studies Ian M. Smith, MMS, PA-C Assistant Professor, Department of PA Studies
RECOGNITION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PA PROFESSIONAL OATH	Robert L. Wooten, PA-C Instructional Faculty, Department of PA Studies

ADMINISTRATION OF AWARDS

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARDS..... Suzanne Reich, MPAS, PA-C

STUDENT AWARDS

Presentation of Awards Class of 2017 Presidents
Kenneth Tyler Leaphart, Winston-Salem Campus President
Katherine Trendt Ness, Boone Campus President
Preclinical Year Teaching Excellence Award
Clinical Year Teaching Excellence Award
Preceptor of the Year Award
Class Appreciation Award
Outstanding Contributions to the Class of 2017 Award
Honorary Katherine Anderson Society Award

FACULTY AWARDS

James Franklin Wilson Memorial Award..... Jill P. Grant, MS, MMS, PA-C
Assistant Professor, Department of PA Studies
*Given to a graduating student who shows the greatest
aptitude and devotion to the profession.*

Mike Walker PA Excellence Scholarship..... Robert A. Bays, DDS
*Given to a first- or second-year student in recognition of outstanding academic
performance and compassion and excellence in caring for patients.*

Patrick and Cathy Ober Community Leadership Award..... Sarah J. Garvick, MS, MPAS, PA-C
*Given to a first- or second-year student in recognition of remarkable dedication to
community service and leadership in outreach, philanthropy and humanitarianism*

Katherine H. Anderson Award..... Catherine N. Shull, MPAS, PA-C
Assistant Professor, Department of PA Studies
*Given to a first-year student in recognition of exemplary performance during
the preclinical year and professional growth toward becoming a PA.*

CHARGE TO ALUMNI Brian B. Peacock, MMS, PA-C

CLOSING COMMENTS Sherrie B. Spear, MHS, PA-C
Assistant Professor and Associate Program Director
Department of PA Studies

BENEDICTION The Reverend Stirewalt

RECESSIONAL: *Prelude to "Te Deum"* Marc-Antoine Charpentier

FACULTY OF PA STUDIES

L. Gail Curtis, MPAS, PA-C
Associate Professor and Chair

Suzanne Reich, MPAS, PA-C
Associate Professor and Program Director

K. Patrick Ober, MD
Professor and Medical Director

Erich J. Grant, MMS, PA-C
Assistant Professor and Vice Chair,
Education and Curricular Innovation

Daniel T. Bertrams, MMS, PA-C
Instructor

Gayle B. Bodner, MMS, PA-C
Assistant Professor

Sonia J. Crandall, MS, PhD
Professor and Director of Scholarship and Research

Alisha T. DeTroye, MMS, PA-C, DFAAPA
Adjunct Assistant Professor

Sarah J. Garvick, MS, MPAS, PA-C
Assistant Professor

Jill P. Grant, MS, MMS, PA-C
Assistant Professor and Co-Director of Clinical Education

Tanya Gregory, PhD
Assistant Professor and Director of Student Services

Zachary Hartsell, MPAS, MHA, PA-C
Associate Medical Director

Tiffany L. Hiatt, MMS, PA-C
Assistant Professor and Director of Preclinical Education

Sobia S. Hussaini, MHA
Assistant Professor
Director of Academic Practice Partnerships

Mary Jean Leonardi, MMS, PA-C
Instructor

Kristin J. Lindaman, MMS, PA-C
Instructor

M. Jane McDaniel, MS, MLS (ASCP) SC
Assistant Professor

Joel B. Miller, MD
Assistant Professor

Brian B. Peacock, MMS, PA-C
Assistant Professor and Co-Director of Clinical Education

Thomas J. Perrault, Jr., PhD
Associate Professor

Courtney J. Perry, PharmD
Assistant Professor

Catherine N. Shull, MPAS, PA-C
Assistant Professor

Caroline B. Sisson, MMS, PA-C
Assistant Professor

Ian M. Smith, MMS, PA-C
Assistant Professor and Director of Admissions

Sherrie B. Spear, MHS, PA-C
Assistant Professor, Associate Program Director and
Distant Campus Coordinator

Joshua L. Waynick, MMS, PA-C
Instructor

Robert L. Wooten, PA-C
Instructional Faculty

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF MEDICAL SCIENCE

CLASS OF 2017

Devon Ann Adams.....	Highland, MI
Mary Kathryn Alexander*.....	Virginia Beach, VA
Aynsley Elizabeth Wright Bailey	Columbus, MS
Alyssa Diane Basen	Waxhaw, NC
Rachelle Renea Blanchard	Grandville, MI
Brianna Rosemary Blossfeld*.....	Novi, MI
Matthew Thomas Blunden	Grosse Pointe Shores, MI
Jennifer Nicole Burwell.....	Westfield, NC
Katherine Jean Cawthorn*.....	Asheville, NC
Kimberly Chang*.....	New York, NY
Charley Elizabeth Cummings.....	Melrose, MA
Daryl Francis de Villier.....	Springfield, MA
Alyssa Marie Desmarais	Westfield, MA
Vittoria Carolina Dussias	State College, PA
Abbie Connoy Eaton.....	Lewisville, NC
Autumn Rain Eliason.....	St. Petersburg, FL
Sharonda Tiyyille Felton.....	Edenton, NC
Andrew Patrick Fink.....	Culpeper, VA
Kelly Lynn Fischer.....	Nyack, NY
Alison Leigh Garel*.....	Denver, CO
Jenna Kay Gilmour*.....	Grand Blanc, MI
Catherine Leigh Gold	Lumberton, NC
Morgan Julia Gregg*.....	Greenville, SC
Ashlyn Duke Hedgecock.....	High Point, NC
Tamara Lynn Hill*.....	Dallas, TX
Lindsay Allison Hoffman*.....	Cary, NC
Benjamin David Hurst.....	Reading, PA
Anna Christine Hux*.....	Winston-Salem, NC
Melanie Alexa Jacobs*.....	Merrick, NY
Samuel Huske Jordan	Fayetteville, NC
Jennifer Alice Kole*.....	Jamaica Plain, MA
John Thomas LaBruyere*.....	Asheville, NC
Priscilla Lam*.....	Stratford, CT
Olivia Mae LaRussa*.....	Hauppauge, NY
Kenneth Tyler Leaphart.....	Chapin, SC
Amanda Paige Lewis*.....	Englewood, CO
Caroline Halie Lewis*.....	Wilmington, NC
Nicholas Eric Linde.....	Kalamazoo, MI
Jessica Anne Lomas*.....	Wilmington, NC
Kacie Sue-Ellen Matthews.....	Summerfield, NC
Caitlyn Michael McKenzie*.....	Winston-Salem, NC
Catharine Merriwether McLean*.....	Asheville, NC
Kathleen Lynn McMahon*.....	Grand Rapids, MI
Omid Midanaky	Marietta, GA
Elizabeth Marie Middleton	Greenville, SC
Richard Laurence Mittan.....	Jackson, WY
Amanda Leigh Moschetta	New Smyrna Beach, FL

Carter Cade Musgrove ♦	Huntsville, AL
Katherine Trendt Ness ♦	Arlington, VA
Janna Pak Ostwalt	Winston-Salem, NC
Stephanie Pagan Torres	Ponce, Puerto Rico
Sarah Grace Palilla	Folsom, CA
Daniel Pedersen ♦	Union Grove, NC
Megan Danielle Pinder	Greensboro, NC
Adriana Pollak	Ramsey, NJ
Katherine Nicole Quinley	Lilburn, GA
Darrell Justin Ratcliffe	Lexington, VA
Sarah Elizabeth Ricker ♦	Goldsboro, NC
Hannah Stephanie-Sophie Roeder	Nashville, TN
Elise Nicole Rosenow ♦	Maple Grove, MN
Jessica Rose Rotolo ♦	Red Hook, NY
Matthew Cassady Russell ♦	Asheville, NC
Drew Stephen Sachwitz	Walnut Creek, CA
Lyndsey Mara Saunders	Herndon, VA
Dara Adina Seelig ♦ ♦	Ossining, NY
Kerry Dewitt Shepherd	Asheville, NC
Megan Eileen Smith ♦	Long Beach, CA
Lydia Kymberlie Sparks ♦	Raleigh, NC
Elizabeth Cherry Stern ♦	Wilmington, NC
Kristin Marie Strickland ♦	Fuquay-Varina, NC
Georgia Elizabeth Tanner	Goldsboro, NC
Caroline Kelley Thoreson ♦	Ellicott City, MD
Ginny Alexandra Vanderburg	Concord, NC
Krysten Vazquez ♦	Miami, FL
Stefanie Nikoloas Xenakis	Clemmons, NC

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF MEDICAL SCIENCE WITH DISTINCTION CLASS OF 2017

Eric Robert Bifolck	Burlington, MA
Adrienne Gay Bussard ♦	Cincinnati, OH
Kailyn Nicole Campbell	Tampa, FL
Francesca Locklear Carter ♦	Cary, NC
Rachel Lynn Kaplan ♦	Charlotte, NC
Diane Elizabeth Kibiloski	Elkhart, IN
Margaret Jane Konopasek ♦	De Pere, WI
Allison Ainsley MacKay ♦	Vero Beach, FL
Annebelle Joy Preske ♦	Winston-Salem, NC
Nathan Arthur Rosso	Virginia Beach, VA
Mary Kaitlyn St. John	Highlands Ranch, CO
Helen Brooks Yearley	Baltimore, MD

* Completed the Emerging Leaders Program (ELP), in which students earn a Master of Arts in Management from the Wake Forest University School of Business prior to entering the PA Program. ELP develops highly capable, entrepreneurial leaders who can make significant contributions to the healthcare community. Graduates are equipped with business competencies and excellent clinical skills to succeed in complex healthcare environments and to transform the delivery of care.

♦ Completed the Sacred 7 health humanities course. This elective uses literature, film, visual arts, writing, reflection, meditation, and discussion to help students access, explore, and deepen their empathy, compassion, humility, integrity, reflection, resilience, and self-awareness — the qualities that constitute the Sacred 7. The overall goal is to help them become PAs who care humanely for patients and for themselves.

MARSHALS

(Highest academic performance during the pre-clinical year)

Grace Elizabeth Auton
Chrystell Laura Cluck
Julia Maria Langston Fuster
Jonathan David McGuirt
Alison Margaret Menzies
Frances Emily Orr
Shelby Christine Wood

In Absentia

Trevor John Doolittle
Kelsey Nicole Ford
James Whitefield Kirby III
Alyssa Brynn Murray
Wesley Merritt Paulson
Devyn Porath
Emily Jane Shrosbree
Hallie Chanson Wieters

*The hardest conviction to get into the mind of
a beginner is that the education upon which he
is engaged is not a college course, not a medical
course, but a life course, for which the work of
a few years under teachers is but preparation.*

From the Valedictory Address by Sir William Osler
McGill University, April 14, 1905

ABOUT ACADEMIC REGALIA

The origins of academic dress date back to Europe in the 12th and 13th centuries. During this period, everyone — men and women, lay folk and clerics, royalty, tradesmen, students — wore long, flowing robes of varying materials and fabrics, depending on the wealth and position of the wearer. The ordinary dress of the scholar, whether student or teacher, was similar to the dress of a cleric. The first organized bodies of learning were formed in this period.

In the United States, schools of higher learning such as Harvard, Yale, the University of Pennsylvania, and William and Mary adopted traditions of using regalia, and soon other schools began to follow the trend. In 1895, the Intercollegiate Code established guidelines for standardizing the academic regalia for institutions of higher learning in the United States.

You will note that the gowns (or robes) worn by graduating PA students have long, closed, somewhat fuller sleeves that reach nearly to the wearer's knees. The arms go through slits at the elbow, giving the appearance of short sleeves. The gowns worn by a Master are always black.

During graduation events, you will also see examples of the doctoral gown, worn by some faculty and administrators. It is cut much fuller and has large, bell-shaped sleeves. Doctoral gowns are usually black. Although bachelor's and master's gowns are generally devoid of ornamentation, doctoral gowns are distinguished by the five-inch velvet panel around the neck and down both sides of the front, as well as three-inch velvet bars sewn on each sleeve.

Over their robes, candidates for and holders of master's and doctoral degrees wear hoods, which are the most expressive component of the academic costume. The hood symbolizes a heavy burden. It identifies the level of the degree, the field of learning and the institution that awards it.

The master's hood is 3½ feet long and is black, lined with the color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. (Note the gold representing Wake Forest University.) The hood is displayed down the back with the lining turned inside out. The velvet trim indicates the subject to which the degree pertains. The hoods worn by graduating PA students are trimmed in green, which represents the study of medicine and symbolizes the original use of medicinal herbs. Other areas of study and colors you may see during graduation events include arts, letters and humanities symbolized by white; education by light blue; law by purple; and science symbolized by golden yellow.

ABOUT THE FACULTY AWARDS

JAMES FRANKLIN WILSON MEMORIAL AWARD

The James Franklin Wilson Memorial Award was established in 1975 in memory of Jim Wilson, who graduated from the Wake Forest School of Medicine PA Program in 1973. Wilson grew up in Winston-Salem and, after completing college, served as a medic with the U.S. Army in Vietnam. When he left the Army, he decided to become a PA. "As happens to many who are involved in a war," he wrote, "my experiences in Vietnam affected me considerably. I have in my time overseas developed a concern for the suffering of mankind — a concern which I virtually did not have before, or possibly which I had for various reasons suppressed. I felt, moreover, that for this philosophy to be valid I would have to do more than talk about it — i.e., I would have to take it upon myself to try to alleviate some of this suffering. The more I considered how this contribution might be made, the more I realized that the most effective way for me was through medicine." Jim Wilson did practice as a PA but for only two years before he died of cancer. The award named after him was funded by PA Program graduates, Wilson's father, and a local veteran's association. In becoming a PA, Jim Wilson sought dignity, responsibility, and the opportunity to help others. The James Franklin Wilson Memorial Award is presented to a student of the graduating class who shows the greatest aptitude, as defined by academic achievement during the preclinical and clinical years, and devotion to the PA profession, as evidenced by contributions on an individual, local, or national basis.

ABOUT THE FACULTY AWARDS (continued)

MIKE WALKER PA EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

The Mike Walker PA Excellence Scholarship was established 2014 in memory of Michael D. Walker, who graduated from the Wake Forest School of Medicine PA Program in 1973. In addition to his Wake Forest PA degree, Mike Walker earned a master's degree in business administration from Wake Forest's Babcock Graduate School of Management and a master's degree in PA Studies with a specialty in dermatology from the University of Nebraska. Before his death in 2012, he had recently retired from a long practice as a PA in dermatology and internal medicine in Winston-Salem. Walker was also a charter member and distinguished fellow of the North Carolina Academy of PAs. He was a woodworker who enjoyed turning and shaping beautiful creations; he was a private pilot, a glider pilot, a skydiver, and a scuba diver. In his obituary, his family wrote that Mike Walker loved medicine, and he loved his many patients. In his honor and funded by his family, the Mike Walker PA Excellence Scholarship is presented annually to a student who has demonstrated excellence in the PA Program and compassion and excellence in caring for patients.

PATRICK AND CATHY OBER COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Patrick and Cathy Ober Community Leadership Award was established in 2015 in honor of K. Patrick Ober, MD, and his wife, Cathy. Dr. Ober has served as the Medical Director of the Wake Forest PA Program since 2003. He currently oversees the Foundations of Medicine and Surgery course, participates in direct teaching and facilitation of PA students, and lends his vast experience to the Program's student promotion activities. Dr. Ober completed his residency and fellowship here from 1974 through 1978, and then joined the faculty in the endocrinology section of Wake Forest School of Medicine. Since that time, he has served in multiple leadership roles, including Vice Dean of Education. His mentorship, excellence in teaching and acclaimed clinical care would be sufficient to merit countless accolades. However, Dr. Ober exceeds those parameters and dedicates himself to multiple philanthropic and service-related activities, most notably as a founding physician and member of the advisory board of the DEAC (Delivering Equal Access to Care) Clinic, where he has also served as a teaching/supervising provider. Cathy Ober is a tireless advocate for those in need of food assistance. An outstanding community volunteer, she has devoted her time, effort and energy to furthering the mission and activities of the Clemmons Food Pantry for many years. In their honor and funded by the PA Program, the Patrick and Cathy Ober Community Leadership Award is presented annually to a first- or second-year PA student who has demonstrated remarkable dedication to community service and leadership in outreach, philanthropy and humanitarianism.

KATHERINE H. ANDERSON AWARD

The Katherine H. Anderson Award, established in 1988, was named for the first Medical Director of the Wake Forest School of Medicine PA Program and a much respected physician in both the community and the institution. "Katie," as Dr. Anderson was affectionately known, was a pediatrician in Winston-Salem for 25 years and the first woman to be elected president of the local medical society. As the Medical Director of the PA Program from 1969 until her retirement in 1976, her understanding of PAs and their role on the medical team was instrumental to the development of the educational philosophy and curriculum of the Program. She was so beloved among Wake Forest PA students that their professional society is named The Katherine Anderson Society in her honor. Katie was a renaissance person: a great gardener, a carpenter, a fisherwoman, and an adventurer who, at the age of 63, went down the Colorado River in a raft. Because she was a person of few words but much thought, when she contributed an idea, everyone listened. In her honor, the Katherine H. Anderson Award is given to a first-year student in recognition of exemplary academic performance and professional growth toward becoming a PA during the preclinical year.

