

Convocation

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UNIVERSITY of MARYLAND
SCHOOL OF NURSING

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Ceremonial Mace

Ceremonial maces are ornamental staffs made of wood and metal that are carried by an honored designee at graduation or at other significant University events. The mace is a focal point of the beginning and ending processions. The School of Nursing's mace was presented to the School at Convocation 2014 by Jay A. Perman, MD, then President of the University of Maryland, Baltimore, as part of the School's 125th anniversary celebration.

The School of Nursing's mace was crafted by Bruce Jarrell, MD, FACS, University of Maryland, Baltimore President, with the assistance of his daughter, Gwynneth Jarrell, DNP '26, BSN '06. The walnut staff is topped with a bronze and copper replica of the School of Nursing alumni pin. The design of the steel mace holder is based on elements of the Maryland state flag and was created by Ukrainian blacksmith Anatoily Rudek in collaboration with Dr. Jarrell. The oak and ebony base was crafted by Dr. Jarrell's sister, Bess Naylor, who earned a master's degree from the School of Medicine in 1977. When not in use, the mace is prominently displayed in the School of Nursing lobby.



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Letter from the Dean

Dear Graduates,

Congratulations on completing your degree or certificate program! Whether you are entering the nursing profession or broadening your knowledge and skills, this is an exciting milestone, and it is a time to celebrate. As a three-time graduate of the School of Nursing, I know firsthand that it was not always easy; the work was demanding, and there may have been days when you wondered if you could do it. But you pressed forward and now stand proudly as a graduate of a top-10 nursing school.

As you continue your nursing journey, you will realize you are well prepared. Each of you has a “tool kit” shaped by your experience and education, and it will continue to expand over the course of your nursing career. I look forward to hearing how you use these tools to influence nursing — locally, nationally, or globally. Many of you will deliver one-on-one care to individuals and their families or work to improve care for entire communities and populations. Some of you will challenge existing knowledge as nurse scientists or create new nursing practice models in the community. Others of you will become nurse educators, preceptors, or mentors guiding and shaping the next generation of nurses.

No matter what setting you decide to work in, remember to advocate for equitable care for all. I hope that each of you will find a place to work where you feel you belong, are able to flourish, and have time to care for your personal well-being. So, press forward and identify the work that you genuinely love, that speaks to your heart, mind, and strengths. The opportunities in front of you are enormous!

On behalf of the entire University of Maryland School of Nursing, I welcome you to the ranks of our more than 25,000 alumni around the world. Individually and collectively, we are an astonishing force for advancing the ever-changing health care landscape and the nursing profession.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "yogbolu". The signature is written in a cursive, lowercase style.

Yolanda Ogbolu, PhD '11, MS '05, BSN '04, NNP, FNAP, FAAN

The Bill and Joanne Conway Dean of the University of Maryland School of Nursing and Professor

Program Schedules

Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Master of Science in Nursing Entry-into-Nursing

Ceremony

Processional

National Anthem

Luna Molinelli Losak

Master of Science in Nursing Graduate, Class of 2026

Welcome

Yolanda Ogbolu, PhD '11, MS '05, BSN '04, NNP, FNAP, FAAN
*The Bill and Joanne Conway Dean of the
University of Maryland School of Nursing and Professor*

Conferring of Degrees

Bruce E. Jarrell, MD, FACS

President, University of Maryland, Baltimore

Honorary Degree Presentation

Pamela Cipriano, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN

*Professor Emerita, University of Virginia School of Nursing;
Immediate Past President, International Council of Nurses;
Past President, American Nurses Association*

Presentation of Dean's Medal for Distinguished Service

Karen E. Doyle,

DNP '20, MBA, MS '91, BSN '85, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN

*Senior Vice President of Patient Care Services and
Chief Nursing Officer, University of Maryland Medical Center*

Excellence in Teaching Awards

Recognition of Honors and

The DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nursing Students

Cynthia Sweeney, DNP, BSN '76, RN, CNOR, NEA-BC, FAAN
Vice President of Nursing, Emerita, The DAISY Foundation

Student Remarks

Beryl Lesa Kilonzo

Master of Science in Nursing Graduate, Class of 2026

Presentation of Student Gift

Vanessa Mei-Linh Ho

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Graduate, Class of 2026

Presentation of Pins to Master's Graduates

Presentation of Pins to Bachelor's Graduates

Alumni Association President's Remarks

Retired Cmdr. Joseph J. McKinney, BSN '75, RN, CMPIC-ECM
*President, University of Maryland
School of Nursing Alumni Association*

Closing Remarks

Yolanda Ogbolu

Recessional

Master of Science in Nursing and Doctoral

Ceremony

Processional

National Anthem

Alice Charitable

Doctor of Nursing Practice Graduate, Class of 2026

Welcome

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Excellence in Teaching Awards

Student Remarks

Allison Marie Hamilton

Doctor of Nursing Practice Graduate, Class of 2026

Presentation of Hoods to Doctoral Candidates

Recognition of Master of Science in Nursing Graduates

Alumni Association President's Remarks

Retired Cmdr. Joseph J. McKinney, BSN '75, RN, CMPIC-ECM
*President, University of Maryland
School of Nursing Alumni Association*

Closing Remarks

Yolanda Ogbolu

Recessional

Honorary **DEGREE RECIPIENT**

PAMELA CIPRIANO, PHD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN

Dr. Pamela Cipriano is receiving the degree of Honorary Doctor of Public Service from the University of Maryland, Baltimore. This degree is conferred by the President of the University on behalf of the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland upon the approval of the System's Board of Regents.

Dr. Cipriano is nationally and internationally recognized for her contributions to advancing the nursing profession and increasing its impact and influence on policies to improve national and global health care.

As the 29th President of the International Council of Nurses (ICN) from 2021 - 25 and as First Vice President from 2017 - 21, Dr. Cipriano led global policy efforts and advocated for nurse well-being, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic. A federation of more than 140 national nurses' associations, ICN represents over 30 million nurses worldwide and seeks to ensure quality care for all.



Dr. Cipriano currently serves as Co-Chair of the Steering Committee for the National Academy of Medicine's Action Collaborative on Clinician Well-Being and Resilience, leading efforts to reduce burnout and improve the well-being of the workforce. She has been instrumental in studying the safety of technologies to improve workflow and efficiency of care as well as advocating for nurse-led design and testing of technologies that support nursing care.

On the international level, she serves as Co-Chair of the Universal Health Coverage Steering Committee, a global platform that allows multiple stakeholders to connect to advance universal health coverage and strengthen health systems worldwide. It is co-hosted by the World Health Organization, the World Bank, and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development.

From 2014 - 18, Dr. Cipriano served two terms as President of the American Nurses Association (ANA), which represents the nation's 4 million registered nurses through its constituent and state nurses' associations and organizational affiliates. During her tenure, ANA established its "Healthy Nurse, Healthy Nation" initiative to improve nurse well-being.

Dr. Cipriano has extensive experience as an academic medical center executive and previously served as Dean of the University of Virginia School of Nursing, where she is now Professor Emerita. She holds a PhD in Executive Nursing Administration from the University of Utah College of Nursing, a Master of Nursing from the University of Washington, a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from American University, and a Diploma in Nursing from the University of Pennsylvania. She is certified in advanced nursing executive administration. Among her multiple honors and awards for leadership and contributions to the profession, she was a Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence at the Institute for Medicine. She was inducted as a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing in 1991, received its Healthcare Leader Award in 2018, and was named a Living Legend in 2023. She has also been recognized with Lifetime Achievement awards from the DAISY Foundation and Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing.

Nominations for honorary degrees must be approved by the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland, upon the recommendation of the Board's Committee on Education Policy and Student Life. Recipients must be individuals who have made exceptional contributions in intellectual, scholarly, or creative areas; who have risen to a position of eminence in their chosen field or acquired a national or international reputation in a selected field or endeavor; or who have compiled a record of distinguished public service.

Dean's Medal FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE



KAREN E. DOYLE, DNP '20, MBA, MS '91, BSN '85, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN

The 2026 recipient of the Dean's Medal for Distinguished Service is Karen E. Doyle, DNP '20, MS '91, MBA, BSN '85, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, Senior Vice President of Patient Care Services and Chief Nursing Officer of the University of Maryland Medical Center (UMMC), a position she has held since 2021. Prior to that, she served for 15 years in progressive leadership roles at the R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center at UMMC.

Dr. Doyle has over 40 years of nursing experience. In her role as Chief Nursing Officer, she oversees nursing practice, patient outcomes, operations, strategic planning, policy formulation, and regulatory compliance for UMMC's Downtown and Midtown campuses. This entails a \$598 million budget and responsibility for 5,000 employees, including over 2,500 nurses. In 2024, under her leadership, UMMC secured its fourth consecutive Magnet designation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, in recognition of meeting rigorous standards for nursing excellence; only 2% of hospitals nationwide have earned this designation four times.

In her prior role as Senior Vice President of Nursing and Operations for the Shock Trauma Center, Dr. Doyle was responsible for over 7,500 critically ill and severely injured patients annually. She also served as co-incident commander for UMMC's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccine rollout.

Dr. Doyle's contributions extend beyond Baltimore. She has provided leadership, consultation, and training to nursing programs in Qatar, Brazil, Haiti, and India. In Haiti, in collaboration with Catholic Relief Services and the Institute of Human Virology at the University of Maryland School of Medicine, she served over six months as the in-state incident commander for the Haiti Relief Mission, deploying medical teams in response to a devastating earthquake in 2010.

Dr. Doyle earned three degrees from the University of Maryland School of Nursing: Doctor of Nursing Practice; Master of Science, Clinical Nurse Specialist; and Bachelor of Science in Nursing. She also holds a Master of Business Administration from Loyola University Maryland. She is certified in advanced nursing executive administration and serves as an Adjunct Associate Professor at UMSON. Since 2015, she has served on the University of Maryland School of Nursing Board of Advisors, and she received the 2022 UMSON Distinguished Alumni Award. She is a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing and serves on the Board of Trustees for Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital in Baltimore. She is also a member of the inaugural American Association of Colleges of Nursing/American Organization of Nurse Leaders Academic-Practice Advisory Committee.

We honor Dr. Doyle for her longstanding and exceptional contributions to nursing and to the School. In her varied roles as executive leader, clinician, teacher, colleague, and alumna, she has always been steadfast in her commitment to excellence and very importantly to elevating the human connection in all that she does.

In 2017, Jane Kirschling, PhD, RN, FAAN, then the Bill and Joanne Conway Dean, established the Dean's Medal for Distinguished Service to recognize individuals, external to the institution, who have demonstrated "an exceptional commitment to advancing the University of Maryland School of Nursing and its mission." That year, the inaugural recipients of the Dean's Medal, Bill and Joanne Conway, were recognized for their extraordinary support of nursing education through the Conway Scholars Program.

The Dean's Medal for Distinguished Service has been awarded to the following honorees:

2017: Bill and Joanne Conway
2018: Lisa Rowen, DNSc, MS '86, RN, CENP, FAAN
2019: John Bing, CRNA, FAAN
2021: Shirley Ann Nathan-Pulliam, DPS (Hon.) '23, DHL (Hon.), MAS, BSN '80, RN, FAAN
2022: William J. McLennan Sr.
2023: Mary Etta Mills, ScD, MS '73, BSN '71, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN
2024: Angela Barron McBride, PhD, RN, FAAN, FNAP
2025: Beverly Malone, PhD, RN, FAAN

This medal has been crafted by hand by Bruce Jarrell, MD, FACS, University of Maryland, Baltimore President. A surgeon by training, he is an avid metal artisan who also created the School of Nursing's ceremonial mace.

Mace Carrier

Karen Clark, PhD, RN, NI-BC, Alumna CCRN
Assistant Professor

Faculty Marshals

Charlotte Nwogwugwu,
DrPH, BSN, RN, HIV PCP, CPH-BC
*Assistant Professor and
Director, Office of Global Health*

Ololade Ikuomola, DNP, RN, AGNP-C
Assistant Professor

Student Marshals

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING AND MASTER OF
SCIENCE IN NURSING ENTRY-INTO-NURSING EDUCATION

Ceremony

Nicole E. Smith,
PhD, MS '14, RN, CNE, CHSE, CNE-cl
*Assistant Professor and Co-Director,
Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program*

Janet Armstead Wulf,
DNP '19, MS '06, AGPCNP-BC, ACHPN
*Assistant Professor and Director,
Master of Science in Nursing Entry-into-Nursing Program*

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING
AND DOCTORAL

Ceremony

Patricia Christensen, DNP '14, RN, NEA-BC, CNE
Assistant Professor

Kristin L. Seidl, PhD, RN
Assistant Professor

Excellence in Teaching AWARDS

GRADUATE EDUCATION

Kristin L. Seidl, PhD, RN
Assistant Professor

CLINICAL EDUCATION - GRADUATE

Patricia Chistensen, DNP '14, RN, NEA-BC, CNE
Assistant Professor

UNDERGRADUATE/ ENTRY-INTO-NURSING EDUCATION

Nicole E. Smith, PhD, MS '14, RN, CNE, CHSE, CNE-cl
*Assistant Professor and Co-Director,
Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program*

CLINICAL EDUCATION - UNDERGRADUATE/ENTRY-INTO-NURSING EDUCATION

Heather Fitzhugh-Boehm, MSN-Ed, RN, NPD-BC
*Director of Interprofessional Education and
Development, MedStar Health*

Academic Honor Cords

Academic honor cords are awarded to members of honor societies or for various academic achievements, awards, or honors. Below is a list of cords that some of our graduates are wearing today:

YELLOW

Latin Honors for undergraduate students with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 and higher

RED

Students who have served or are currently serving as officers in a nursing student organization or judicial board

RED AND GOLD

Dean's Alumni Circle, for students who attend graduation activities

ORCHID AND WHITE

Students who are members of Sigma International Honor Society of Nursing, Pi at-Large Chapter

GOLD, BLACK, WHITE, AND RED

Students who are recipients of a Conway Scholarship and faculty who mentor Conway Scholars

Latin Honors for Undergraduate Students (as of January 2026)

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Favor Ade
Zahra Sofia Ahmad
Abimbola Oluwole Babalola
Djenabou Bah
Ruchi Chetan Bhalani
Rachel Marie Bigelow
Christina Nicole Bodziak
Claire Michelle Bos
Laura Yong Brown
Ann Gutierrez Carlson
Tayla Andrea Chambers
Diana Conran
Delma Kah Fogwe
Leona Green
Heverly Harvey
Shannon Heggarty Hill
Morgan Olivia Holt
Katherine Louise Ketterer
Anna Tova Lieberman
Emalee Rose Mahr
Erin Mellendick
Morgan Elizabeth Pearce
Willow Pogue
Diya Nilesh Rawal
Alaina Rea
Emily Rose Smetana
Audrey Leigh Spurr
Ryan Van Suetendael
Megan Elizabeth Vollbrecht

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Olivia Alviani
Margaret Bornyck
Telease Ann Victoria Bowen
Diana Marie Dingman
Yunju Eum
Noel Febres-Gonzalez
Jackson Gardner
Maria Hernandez Sanchez
Catherine Elise Hill
Sarah Jane LaMonaca
Genevieve Yeayoung Lee
Madison Darlene Matlock
Naomi Grace McBride
Daaiyah Zarinah Muhammad
Tamara Leatrice Ragin
Philip Martin Rankin
Bria Niché Ranson
Leah Nicole Rasavage
Melissa Andrea Romero
Rebecca Sosa
Meg Sun
Valencia Tatum
Melanie Valencia
Jeileen Villegas
Lexi Vipavetz
Elisheva Ward
Anna Catherine Whelan
Megan Elizabeth Zimmerman

CUM LAUDE

Valentine Anye
Rebecca Armour
Princess Ewah Atud
Joshua Darr Bachrach
Yanet Berhanu
Elaine Jasmine Cheng
Olivia Lillyan Chu
Kirstyn Louise Collins
Alaina Conley
Rebecca Demers
Halle Desousa
Dawa Dolkar
Jake Riley Donovan
Gillian Eshelman
Ashlyn Gyselle Flores
Nicolette Marie Friedrich
Lara Morgan Gomez
Lola Hankins
Sierra Edwina Harvey
Vanessa Mei-Linh Ho
Joanna Ebele Igbomro
Queen Faramoluwa Imoemiye
Sarah Jang
Emily Malin Johnson
Hailey Marie Kufner
Zijie Lin
Samantha Mary Lucas
Yesenia Del Carmen Mejia Flores
Rita Lucy Ifechukwu Okemmuo
Jayna Patel
Jane Quartner
Maria Shabbir Rangwala
Shiya Bhavin Shah
Jennifer Amanda Sibrian Linares
Yana Skorobogatova
Marcia Fernanda Sousa Young
Sarah Spotts
Joshua Titan Tran
Josie Viagbo
Albert Webster V

Conway SCHOLARS

Bill and Joanne Conway, through their Bedford Falls Foundation Charitable Trust, have made transformational gifts to the University of Maryland School of Nursing to provide scholarships for Conway Scholars at our Baltimore and Universities at Shady Grove locations. The entire University of Maryland School of Nursing community is deeply grateful for this extraordinary philanthropy.

Alice Ojong Ako
Adriana Marie Archila Arriaga
Chaney Danai Armstead
Princess Ewah Atud
Abimbola Oluwole Babalola
Djenabou Bah
Laura Yong Brown
Namgyal Chaktra
Tayla Andrea Chambers
Relan Joshua Bello Davantes
Rebecca Demers
Guylene Desir-Gaston
Ines Prisca Dossounon
Kimeisha Epote
Aman Tsegu Fessahaie
Heaven Footman-Bell
Bella Laure Fopa Fongou
Nicolette Marie Friedrich

Heverly Harvey
Morgan Olivia Holt
Queen Faramoluwa Imoemiye
Jayla Antonic Jacobs
Sarah Jang
Theresia Marie Keppel
Katherine Louise Ketterer
Pascaline Kouamegui
Alexa Mae Abasolo Laurden
Duncan Leonard
Iranny V. Liriano Hidalgo
Kaegan Phoenix Matthews
Daphna Morgan
Daaiyah Zarinah Muhammad
Helga Muhati
Melvis Nkemalandang Njukang
Rosette Bitou Nsoumbi

Rita Lucy Ifechukwu Okemmuo
Gwyn Carter Pauley
Morgan Elizabeth Pearce
Megan Rose Prochaska
Bria Niché Ranson
Chana Shemtov
Rebecca Sosa
Christine Joyce Tadeo
Colleen Michelle Tamayo
Valencia Tatum
Hawani Tolossa
Joshua Titan Tran
Nhi Tran
Lexi Vipavetz
Laura Christine Welch
Avigail Zarinmanesh
Nissim Zarinmanesh
Jessica Zhang

Student AMBASSADOR

Student ambassadors are undergraduate students who participate in workshops and community service, mentor incoming students, and represent the student body at events and on campus tours. Ambassadors serve a minimum of two semesters and must remain in good academic standing.

Naomi Grace McBride

A final action cannot always be taken by the time this program is published. Although every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the listings in this program, the list of candidates is tentative. The University of Maryland School of Nursing reserves the right to withdraw or add names. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at nrsregistration@umaryland.edu.

Nayeon Kim

POST-MASTER'S

Jennie Thompson Acker
Jasmyn Renee Berkley
Heather Nicole Burton
Alice Charitable
Guylene Desir-Gaston
Melissa Joy Fleming
Alexis Hodge
Nimeet Kapoor
Kaitlin Elizabeth Shapelow
Ionela Morosanu
Darlene Norton
Rochelle A. Smith
Melissa D. Wagner
Kristy Wormack

**ADULT-GERONTOLOGY ACUTE
CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER/
ADULT-GERONTOLOGY CLINICAL
NURSE SPECIALIST**

Noel Christine Blizzard
Margaret Cahill
Madeleine Grace Fryzek
Michael Mendelson
Emily Ann Mercado
Robin M. Murray
Melissa Nichols
Brittany Veronca Ofori
Chelsea Rice
Grace Therese Wetzel

**ADULT-GERONTOLOGY PRIMARY
CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER**

Regina Abraham
Cierra Ann Arias
Amy Lynne Check
Gwynneth Leslie Jarrell
Sunhee Kang
Ruchi Lamichhane
Lydia Manyi Onyima
Michayla Sommer
David Matthew Thompson

FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER

Lillian Adu
Foluke Alejo
Ria Olympia Alleyne
Marissa Barbato
Kori Barriteau
Brienne Boylan
Gabriela Brantmier
Cozanne M. Brent
Jacob Carmichael
Taylor Corey Chester
Jiyun Choi
Aleisha Collinson-Streng
Marie W. Darisme

Elizabeth Ann Day
Samantha Lee DeNicola
Fatimatou Diallo
Folake Abimbola Fawehinmi
Sheila Rose Flynn
Lindsey Marie Gambardella
Christine Suzanne Gobbett-Levno
Jiana Grimes
Christiana Hardy
Raven Keith
Alana Rose Kelly
Brenda Kibet
Marie Helen Kiley
Pascaline Kouamegui
Ghislaine Nzie Haman Madama
Andrea Malcolm
Alison Pearl Mansoor
Justina Afriyie Marfo
Sangeetha Victoria Mohamed
Dekeita Roland
Sophavann Ros
Sheena Susie Samuel Mannankara
Elizabeth Aldridge Strom
Adena Chantay Tufts
Cherie Laverne Vo
Haley Sarah Whitt

NEONATAL NURSE PRACTITIONER

Constance Jester
Clarissa Liana Riley

NURSE ANESTHESIA

Aaron Bell
Nicole Bertelle
Amanda Rose Fabian
Allison Marie Hamilton
Ethan Andrew Harper
Michael Todd Harris
Lynn Irene Hopkins
Andrea J. Howard
Blair Hufeng
Matthew Iman
Carly Elizabeth Jasinski
Brendan Johnson
Jae Kim
Manisha Nicole McFadden
Jillian Anna Muldowney
Kaitlin Nori
Nayun Park
Diana Perez
Lauren Pamela Phelps
Diamond Andrea Robinson
Keiandra Smith
Kelsey Marie Tomek
Carly Troiani
Kyle Jeffrey Van Oostendorp
Xiao Wang

**DOCTORAL
GRADUATES'
DISSERTATIONS
AND PROJECTS**



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dissertations and projects.*

**PEDIATRIC ACUTE CARE
NURSE PRACTITIONER**

Zoe Michelle Cohen
Kayla Ruffo

**PEDIATRIC PRIMARY CARE
NURSE PRACTITIONER**

Natalie A. Akumiah
Heather Barry
Elise Wiesnegger Beck
Whitney Hanson
Shania Johnson
Valerie Venida Park
Rachel Toby

**PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH
NURSE PRACTITIONER – FAMILY**

Alice Ojong Ako
Julius Nji Bouh
Melissa Davis-Gilbert
Angela Gale
Malachi Juwan Gatewood
Kelly Rae Grover
Marion Johnson
Stephanie Eileen Maxwell
Ifesonye Okwuchi
Ofek Ovadia
Santa Ivelisse Pimentel
Rachel Alexandria Schlink
Kristine Ngozi Ugbaja

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING — *Graduates*

ENTRY-INTO-NURSING

Paige Ann Abbott
Chaney Danai Armstead
Haltine Asi
Imani Sadé Black
Erma Julia Mari Autentico Blanco
Abigail Burns
RoShonda Shantasia Celest Burrell
Kaylee Anna Callaghan
BreAnna Michelle Clifton
Makenna Avery Coan
Julie Cohen
Stephanie Seyram Dogbey
Hedyeh Dorranean
Eleanor August Edelin
Adaugo Michaela Ejezie
Marthine Examon
Joy Ndidi Ezemobi
Aymin Farooq
Semhal Gebreslassie
Madison Nicole Goscinski
Chyna Gubbings
Katherine Jane Harris
Perri Hyatt
Dasia Jacob
Allison Rose Jones
Theresia Marie Keppel
Beryl Lesa Kilonzo
Sarah Mary Kroneberger
Jumoke Kuti
Elizabeth Lehl
Melissa Lorraine Lodge
Gabrielle Elizabeth Martini
Jhennel Keisha-Lee McCalla
Luna Molinelli Losak
Melissa Annette Monroe
Amy Nackeeran
Chioma Ezinne Nnebue
Rosette Bitou Nsoumbi
Sheila Chidinma Onyekah
Leslien Osei Sarpong
Gafari Ayinde Oyedokun
Gwyn Carter Pauley
Aaliyah Jasmeen Payne
Jared Ryan Pines
Megan Rose Prochaska
Kaitlynn Rhodes
Autumn Imani Sandoval-Young
Adrienne Rose Taukulis
Alexa Marie Taylor
Raissa Audrey Tseumie
Chloe Virden
Sophia Walsh
Isabelle Watriss
Casey Avery Nicole Watson
Emmersen Brooke Weinberg
Caitlyn Nicole Weinstein
Renee Weiss

Imani Delmita Williams
Sydni Williams

**COMMUNITY/PUBLIC
HEALTH NURSING**

Sarah Nerlande Phanord

**HEALTH SERVICES LEADERSHIP
AND MANAGEMENT**

Ijeoma Chidinma Aham
Jessica Marie Bitonti
Courtenay Robina Brown
Jennifer Ann Cotner
Sophia Olamide Justine Dada
Kimeisha Epote
Lydia Haile Fassett
Kathryn Elizabeth Folliard
Bryanna Marie Frith
Jenna L. Hulet
Ashley Kilgore
Edalaine Lanar
Chinelo Linda Nwankwo
Ashley Elizabeth Shiflett
Justin Wendell Stumpf
Binta Touray
Natalie Jane Valentin-Berrios
Laura Christine Welch

NURSING INFORMATICS

Bieryle John Bolilsn Agnir
Hodman Ibrahim Ahmed
Ana Hope Couser
Relan Joshua Bello Davantes
Ines Prisca Dossounon
Kevin Antonio Hernandez
Nadine Pierre Kabro
Kelsey Brianna Loland
Marilyn Rose Murter
Katherine E. Nehrbass
Chelsi Jill Pierrelus
Zakaria Sheikh Ahmed
Christine Stevens
Mathew Mata Waweru

CERTIFICATE *Graduates*

Alice Ojong Ako
Foluke Alejo
Ria Olympia Alleyne
Zoraida Rosado Baur
Julius Nji Bouh
Christiana Hardy
Marion Johnson
Gayle Juenemann
Ferjana Khan
Daphna Morgan
Jacinda L. Mulford
Christine Theresa Owen

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING — *Graduates*

Aisha Abdullah
Elizabeth Abii
Favor Ade
Ryan Salazar Afable
Zahra Sofia Ahmad
Pia Alday
Adrian Alegria
Olivia Alviani
Josie Laure Amoka Nguine
Andrew J.C. An
Valentine Anye
Adriana Marie Archila Arriaga
Rebecca Armour
Bimpe Arojojoye
Edith Hannah Arunkumar
Grace Asumang
Princess Ewah Atud
Abimbola Oluwole Babalola
Joshua Darr Bachrach
Djenabou Bah
Jamie Baltins
Josephine Soua Bamba
Yanet Berhanu
Kyra Margaret Bertolini
Ruchi Chetan Bhalani
Rachel Marie Bigelow
Stella L. Biles
Christina Nicole Bodziak
Margaret Bornyek
Claire Michelle Bos
Telease Ann Victoria Bowen
Briana Melissa Brennan
Laura Yong Brown
Matthew John Garo Calajate
Ann Gutierrez Carlson
Namgyal Chaktra
Tayla Andrea Chambers
Elaine Jasmine Cheng
Dua Choudhary
Olivia Lillyan Chu
Allison Chung
Emily Marie Clark
Kirstyn Louise Collins
Alaina Conley
Diana Conran

Natalie Rosibel Cruz Aleman
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