

AdventHealth University

Commencement

First Baptist Orlando
Monday, April 22, 2024
10:00 am EDT

Our Vision

AdventHealth University is a leader in healthcare education, transforming the science and practice of whole-person care and developing influential professionals of uncommon compassion.

Our Mission

AdventHealth University is a Seventh-day Adventist institution, specializing in healthcare education in a faith-affirming environment. Service-oriented and guided by the values of nurture, excellence, spirituality, and stewardship, the University seeks to develop leaders who will practice healthcare as a ministry.

Our Motto

Developing skilled professionals who *live* the healing values of Christ



Congratulations, graduates! As you embark on this new chapter, remember that your journey ahead is yours to shape. Embrace the challenges with courage, as they are opportunities in disguise. Cherish the knowledge you have gained, and never cease to seek wisdom. Let your dreams be bold, actions purposeful, and hearts filled with passion. Forge ahead with brilliance and resilience, knowing this is just the start of an extraordinary journey. I pray God to give you grace, tender hands, and a compassionate heart. Best wishes for a bright and fulfilling future!

“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.”

Isaiah 41:10

C. Josef Ghosn, EdD, FACHE

President

President's Address to Graduates

Dear Graduates,

On this momentous day, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to everyone. Today marks the culmination of years of hard work, dedication, and perseverance. As you stand on the threshold of a new beginning, I want you to reflect on the journey that has brought you to this point.

You have not only acquired knowledge within the walls of our university but have also cultivated invaluable skills, forged lasting friendships, and discovered your true passions. As you step into the world beyond academia, remember the lessons you have learned at AdventHealth University, the importance of critical thinking, collaboration, and empathy.

Your graduation is a celebration of academic achievement and a testament to your resilience and determination in facing challenges. As you embark on this new chapter, embrace uncertainty with courage and approach every opportunity with an open mind.

Remember, you are part of a respected professional team committed to practicing healthcare as a ministry, living the healing values of Christ. With your skills, you can make a significant impact. Whether you choose to pursue further studies, enter the workforce, or explore entrepreneurial ventures, strive to make a difference in the lives of others.

As you venture forth, know that AHU will always be a home away from home, where you are welcomed with open arms. Stay connected with your alma mater and let us continue celebrating your successes and milestones.

Congratulations, graduates! The world awaits your brilliance, your passion, and your boundless potential. Go forth and make us proud.

Onward together,

C. Josef Ghosn, EdD, FACHE
President

Commencement

Processional: Grand Marshal, President's Party	_____	Wind Octet in E Flat major, op. 103 – IV. Presto <i>Ludwig Van Beethoven</i>
Processional: Faculty	_____	Canzona 'La Foresta' <i>Giovanni Cavaccio</i>
Processional: Students	_____	Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1 <i>Sir Edward Elgar</i>
Scripture	_____	Jeremiah 29:11-13 NIV <i>Sabrina Smith, Department of Occupational Therapy</i>
Invocation	_____	Daphne Olsen <i>Department of Physical Therapy</i>
Welcome	_____	Dr. C. Josef Ghosn <i>President</i>
Introduction of the Speaker	_____	Dr. C. Josef Ghosn <i>President</i>
Commencement Address	_____	"Faithful Footsteps" <i>Dr. Audrey Gregory,</i> <i>Executive Vice President and CEO,</i> <i>AdventHealth's East Florida Division</i>
Class Response	_____	Ellen Smith <i>Department of Nurse Anesthesia Practice</i>
Presentation of Degree Candidates	_____	Dr. Karen Benn Marshall <i>Provost</i>
Musical Selection	_____	"You Raise Me Up" <i>Josh Groban</i> <i>Jennifer Alfonso and Sabrina Smith, vocalists;</i> <i>Jeremy Pastor, violin; Karen Pastor, piano;</i> <i>and Axel Mendez, guitar</i>
Conferring of Degrees	_____	Dr. C. Josef Ghosn <i>President</i>
President's Charge	_____	Dr. C. Josef Ghosn <i>President</i>
Alumni Message	_____	Marquita Williams <i>Executive Director,</i> <i>Organizational Learning and Development</i>
"The Song of AHU"	_____	Words and Music by Dr. Len Archer <i>Vocalist: Rosa Hill</i>
Benediction	_____	Ana Herrera <i>Department of Imaging Sciences</i>
Recessional	_____	Double Violin Concerto 1st Movement <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>
Postlude	_____	Symphony for Organ No. 5 in F Minor, op. 42, no. 1: V. Toccata <i>Charles-Marie Widor</i>

The Song of AHU

Dedicated to the Faculty, Staff, Students, and Alumni of AdventHealth University

Words and Music by Dr. Len Archer, 2012

Allegretto ♩ = c. 108)

Melody

We are hands that touch in - hea - ling We are the feet that lead the way;

We are ser - vants of all who need us; We are called to light the way;

Nur - ture, Ex - cel - lence, Spi - ri - tu - a - li - ty and Ste - ward - ship!

Four words with - in our hearts as we share in love and ser - vice. We

stand to - ge - ther giv - ing our all to serve hu - ma - ni - ty; U - ni - ted to - wards our

ut - most goal at A - H - U! U - ni - ted we are in heart and soul

to our be - lov - ed A - H - U!

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Distinguished Commencement Speaker

Audrey Gregory, PhD, RN

Audrey Gregory, PhD, RN, is the Executive Vice President and CEO for the AdventHealth East Florida Division. In this role, she oversees strategic initiatives for the area's largest hospital system, including 7 hospitals and more than 11,000 team members. Since joining AdventHealth in 2021, Dr. Gregory has guided the Division through the opening of a new hospital and the transition to Epic electronic health records.

Dr. Gregory's career began as a trauma and emergency room nurse, and her decade of clinical experience has informed what is now more than 20 years of dynamic leadership as a healthcare executive. In addition to her bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing, Dr. Gregory earned a master's degree in healthcare administration from Georgia Southern University, and in 2011 she completed her doctorate in global leadership from Lynn University. She currently serves as a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives and the American Hospital Association/Institute for Diversity and Health Equity (IFDHE) Black Women CEO Roundtable.

Dr. Gregory has been named one of Modern Healthcare's Top 25 Women Leaders (2022) and recognized by Becker's Hospital Review's Black Healthcare Leaders to Know (2023), Women Hospital Presidents and CEOs to Know (2023), and 60 Health System CEO Influencers (2023).

AdventHealth University Certificate and Degree Candidates

Department of Nursing

Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice

Spring 2024

Stephen Francis Cavalli

Laurel Rebecca Krueger

Brittani Moran Chenet

Jovanny Lozano

Abilio Augusto Cima

Grant Barry McGee

Stephanie Kay Cox

Christina Monti

Taylor Brianna Crum

Maribel Mueller

Michael Paul Davis

Alex James Rademaker

Kelsey Marie Dobes

Danielle Janine Reames

Angelina Pelaghia Gallagher

Arielle Desiree Ripley

Cassandra Nicole Gotay

Danielle Olivia Smith

Whitney Noelle Hintze

Ellen Rachael Smith

Sara Rose Hueneke

Bao Trung Ta

Izamar Lorena Jimenez

Jurnee Rae Verbal

Arun Antony Joseph

Harlie Elizabeth Visser

Theresa Michelle Keegan

Balee Madison Winters

Shubh Khullar

Master of Science in Nursing

Fall 2023

Jennifer Aleman

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Spring 2024

Ivania Borrero

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Magda Lourdes Fleurimond

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Jennifer Diamond Brinson

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Stacy Anne Frazier

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Angela Krystal Sophia Caesar

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Abigail Yasmin Gil-Costa

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Naomi Ruth Chernault

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Anna Elizabeth Marie Grissom*

Education Track

Julie Marie Crossett

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Laura Patricia Gutierrez-Barajas

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Lezzette Franchesca Cutrone

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Anthony Robert Herman

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Maria Michelle Dodaro

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Christina Marie Jimenez

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Marissa Nicole Donofrio

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Glorimar Ramos

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

*Chi Upsilon – Sigma Theta Tau International Society of Nursing

Master of Science in Nursing

Spring 2024

Simon Sunghwan Oh
Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Krystle Marie Rosario
Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Nicole Lynn Wilander Pierce
Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Nathalie Ivi Vargas
Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Carolina Cristina Ramirez Rodriguez
Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Elise Alexandra Velazquez
Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Julio Rivera Jr.
Education Track

Lauryn Ashley White
Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Bianca Celine Rodriguez
Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Donna Louise Wittwer
Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Stephanie Rosado
Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Bachelor of Science in Nursing - RN to BSN

Fall 2023

Stella Bernard
Cum Laude

Alexandra Lee Schauff

Jodi Lynn Gretzon
Magna Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Nursing - RN to BSN

Spring 2024

Christel Elizabeth Morgan

Summa Cum Laude

Summer 2024

Kylieann Marie Acevedo

Jenifer Anne Ankoviak

Cum Laude

Lauren Marie Baldwin

Magna Cum Laude

Alison Kaysea Baxter

Cum Laude

Tina Louise Brasse

Magna Cum Laude

Amy Leigh Buice

Cum Laude

Rhonda Madison Calderaro

Desirine Neesa Nympha Clarke

James Caleb Garcia

Summa Cum Laude

Elizabeth Ann Henre

Cum Laude

Jeanine Marie Herman

Cum Laude

Robin Michelle Holliday

Magna Cum Laude

Richard Alan Josefik

Claire Elizabeth Kemp

Ariana Isabel Laracuentre

Cum Laude

Nedia Iris Pellot

Annette Kaye Pringle

Ashley Tina Ramnarine

Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Nursing - RN to BSN

Summer 2024

Samantha Smith

Cum Laude

Kayla Nicole Tier

Victoria Jewel West

Summa Cum Laude

Melissa Farhat Steppello

Amanda Pauline Taylor

Magna Cum Laude

Melissa Rose Zambrana

Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Fall 2023

Alberta Acheampong

Afua Obiribea Baadu

Cum Laude

Eriyan Ulyse Barrett

Elizabeth Louise Bennett*

Magna Cum Laude

Brittany Gabrielle Bowen

Lynda Algozo Bracamonte

Tess Alaina Butler

Summa Cum Laude

Shaina Kiera Bynoe-Riviera

Kendra Marlina Milicent Carter

Magna Cum Laude

Albreny Savana Chavez-Esquibel

Kaitlyn Jane D'Ambra

Cum Laude

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Fall 2023

Kristina Nicole Davis
Cum Laude

Ashleigh Brooke Dease
Magna Cum Laude

Sarah Nicole Deitz
Summa Cum Laude

Alexa Enedina Diaz Torres

Amanda Zoe Diaz-Rivera
Cum Laude

Bernard McKenny Edouard

Dayianie Vionet Espinosa
Cum Laude

Madison Lynn Figler*
Cum Laude

Kamryn Jonaeya Floyd
Cum Laude

Beatriz Fregni Mendes
Cum Laude

Jhoan Sebastian Gaitan
Cum Laude

Luckysha Lorna Gentles

Isaac Gonzalez

Samuel Gonzalez
Cum Laude

Alexander Lei Gui

Mechelle Roslyn Guzman
Cum Laude

Sanghyuck Han
Cum Laude

Dawn Rachelle Hardy

Akena Hernandez

Jennilee Marie Hernandez
Magna Cum Laude

Keyana Sammone Holliday*
Cum Laude

John Nanguiri Itoe

Julia Janotti das Neves

Natasha Falisha Juman
Cum Laude

Morgan Ashley Lane

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Fall 2023

Brianna Rebecca Lezcano
Cum Laude

Natalie Ann Prestol
Cum Laude

Caroline Louredo da Silva

Amber Marie Prusaczyk

Christian Carmine Marano
Cum Laude

Alexa Rose Reavy
Cum Laude

Annette Mayol
Cum Laude

Samira Rivera Velázquez
Magna Cum Laude

Emely Liliana Mendez

Isabella Gladys Rodriguez

Nadia Noemi Montanez
Magna Cum Laude

Genesis Amanda Rodriguez

Mitchell Alexander Murray
Cum Laude

Jamie Lynn Sanborn
Magna Cum Laude

Ana Suzara Norris

Jennifer Sanchez Villalobos

Desiree Lynn Pater*
Cum Laude

Jessica Nicole Schadel
Cum Laude

Angela Monica Pierre

Katelyn Mercier Smith

Grace Elizabeth Pippin*
Cum Laude

Naomi Anique Taylor
Cum Laude

Kelsey Marie Plasencia
Magna Cum Laude

Alexa Marie Trombetta
Magna Cum Laude

Stanley Javier Velasquez

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Fall 2023

Alyssa Marie Velez
Cum Laude

Julie Anne Weitze*
Cum Laude

Johanna Sergine Vilarson
Cum Laude

Julia Carol Wilson
Cum Laude

Dang Nhu Vo
Cum Laude

Brianna Lynn Young

Christine Voltaire
Cum Laude

Spring 2024

Tanya Teresa Ali*
Magna Cum Laude

Daniela Cordero

Ida Berhane
Magna Cum Laude

Lauren Mae Drummond

Sierra Jennelle Bishop

Jacklyn A. Eifert*
Cum Laude

Danielle Nicole Boyd

Beatriz Eugenio De Sousa Facanha
Cum Laude

Alexia Bua
Cum Laude

Esthere Fequiere

Victoria Cardenas*
Cum Laude

Megan Rae Foster
Cum Laude

Gabriel Esperancine Freire

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Jayrilis Marie Frontanes Ortega*
Cum Laude

Leslie Anne Garcia
Magna Cum Laude

Melanie Gonzalez Vazquez

Beatrice Yaa Gonzalez*
Cum Laude

Shanesia Jamelah Greenwood

Daniel Benjamin Guzman

Felix Julian Guzman Rivera

Sydney Ellen Hoffman
Cum Laude

Gabriela Jimenez Santos
Magna Cum Laude

Amy Franczeska Jones*
Magna Cum Laude

Phuong Khanh Le
Cum Laude

Vanessa Alison Lee*
Cum Laude

Perla Yunnuen Lopez Betancourt

Mariel Angelica Mellado Forte

Krystal Christine Minor

Jared Nazario Negron

Jamie Lee Nunez*
Magna Cum Laude

Geraldine Penagos Garzon

Maya Katherine Prakash

Branden Michael Rehe

Nindjana Remy

Ronnie Enrique Reyes

Mayra Yvette Reynoso

Rena Dee Rodriguez*
Cum Laude

John Russell Schriefer*
Magna Cum Laude

DiYana Akila Simmonds

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Spring 2024

Aubrey Marie Simpson*

Cum Laude

Itzel Tapia

Cum Laude

Jatnelly Celeste Tavaréz Penzo*

Magna Cum Laude

Lydia Rose Thompson-Greenleaf

Julian Isaiah Tirado

Glorimar Torres Rosado

Henry Toussaint

Cum Laude

Adebowale Juliana Ungbuku

Michael Joseph Vallone*

Cum Laude

Elexa Raelynn Vanegas

Graceshalee Vargas-Soto

Paloma Blanca Vazquez

Ngan Vu

Cum Laude

Kaitlyn Wong

Summer 2024

Leidy Paola Acosta

Allika Shanee Alce

Taisha Gabriela Aldebot

Michelle Brianne Beasley

Leyla Prisila Bereton

Erin Elizabeth Bourret

Cum Laude

Tueisha Danielle Bradley

Allon Jakob Braitman

Kurtisha Ariel Brown

Avia Sydnea Carter

Cum Laude

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Summer 2024

Jennifer Castellanos

Aysha Monae Chaney

Kevonique Gabrielle Charlton

Nicarla Clervil*
Cum Laude

Withney Maria Corona Espinal
Cum Laude

Theveline Corriolant

Cynthia Denise Criss

Karina Marie Cruz
Cum Laude

Mallory Ann Danek

Jennifer Ashley De La Cruz Camayo

Rachel Alexandra De Mateo

Rosangela De Melo*
Magna Cum Laude

Karla Lee Deleon

Mariam Elisa Denies Suarez
Magna Cum Laude

Hanna Shea Deppen*
Magna Cum Laude

Chantal Anahi Diaz
Cum Laude

Jada Nicole Donaldson
Cum Laude

Jhensy Venus Dorestal
Cum Laude

Jackeline Desiree Duarte

Delilah Bernice Duncan*
Cum Laude

Cindy Monzerrat Fernandez

Larry Jeremiah Forrest

Sydney Lauren Frendak

Allison Maree Frye

Derry Gaspard

Alayna Joy Gohn

Regina Michelle Gomez

Raquel Gonzalez

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Summer 2024

Austin Alan Groenendaal*
Cum Laude

Jonathan Isaac Gutierrez Valeriano
Cum Laude

Luisa Fernanda Herrera Del Campillo
Cum Laude

Lauren Marie Hubner*
Magna Cum Laude

Shayla Marie Jacobs*

Breanna Nicole Jimenez

Nyembo Janisse Kadima

Mackenzie Marie Marganti

Raquel Ines Martinez

Janyllis Russhel Martinez Gonzalez

Bianca Matamoros

Sara Defaei Mavromatis

Jessica Mercado

Danie Flore Monde

Shekaya Kimaya-Stewart Morgan

Evan Fox Munger

William Myers

Vy Phuong Nguyen

Amanda Marie Perez*
Cum Laude

Amanda Noel Perreault*
Cum Laude

Daniela Posada

Ashley Marie Quintanilla

Kaitlyn D. Ramnarine

Jada Alexis Marie Rhymer

Gabrielle Ami Rickstrew
Cum Laude

Isamar Rios
Cum Laude

Raquel Rivera Narvaez*
Cum Laude

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Summer 2024

Sofia Rodriguez Alpuin*

Cum Laude

Sarah Ann Taylor*

Cum Laude

Arianna Theresa Marie Romero

Natisha Akilah Thompson

Suzette Nicole Rosenberger

Thandi Jazz Thompson

Mirlanda Saint Julus

Sabrina Latrece Tisdale

Lindsay Ruella Silva-Malaquias

Kala Nori Tolbert

Jonathan Shamah Amores Sison

Cum Laude

Sarah Tronoe

Cum Laude

Ashley Daly Soto

Vi Khanh Truong

Kenley St. Hubert

Keilani Lian Williams

Akira Shakira Stewart

Dana LeNae Wood

Stephanie Francheska Tassy

Kiara Nicole Zimmerman Escalona

**Chi Upsilon – Sigma Theta Tau International Society of Nursing*

Graduate Certificate in Nursing Education

Fall 2023

Diana Dennis

Department of Physical Therapy

Doctor of Physical Therapy

Spring 2024

Eshak Erian Abdalla

Kyle Scott Krietemeyer

Daljenny Lorraine Acosta Hernández

Rebekah Catherine McKinney

Aliya Charese Benjamin

Samantha Marie Nivison*

David Anthony Bishop

Daphne Michelle Olsen

Matthew Thomas Cranston

Amanda Sophia Ortiz*

Daniel Joseph Feliciano

Makayla Lynn Rymkos

Lucas Tyler Fischer

Daniel Emilio Salas

Alejandra Garces

Chase Edward Stellinga*

Aaron Hernandez Mora

Taylor Amber Trinh*

Bruce Holloman

Christie Marie Tursi

**Delta Phi Tau is the national Physical Therapy honor society*

Department of Health and Biomedical Sciences

Master of Science in Robotic Surgery

Spring 2024

Mazvita Ethel Simoyi

Master of Science in Spiritual Care

Spring 2024

Hormar Carolina Barboza

Matthew Allen Mundall

Eveline Cox

Torey James Williams

Summer 2024

Nicole Blackman

Brenda Joan Dupper Nieves

Cicely Elizabeth Joycelyn Lewis-Poleon

Erica Gabriela Singh

Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Sciences

Fall 2023

Alysa Muller
Cum Laude

Spring 2024

Nureliz Adorno
Magna Cum Laude

Aaron Jay Pearson
Summa Cum Laude

Julian Alberto Azcuna

Jaiden Alessandra Perez

Thomas Allen Broome
Magna Cum Laude

Jonathan Alexander Rothe

Halie Melinda Lauretta
Magna Cum Laude

Sashikumar Thararajah Jr.

Summer 2024

Carlos Mauricio Bara
Summa Cum Laude

Liz Gabriela Rivera

Jada Nicole Davis

Elijah Idris Thompson

Ashley Subin Ferencsik
Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences

Fall 2023

Briana Michele Castro

Kaylin Dabin Ferencsik

Spring 2024

Paola Annette Escobar
Cum Laude

Jiho Noh
Cum Laude

Jimmy Guerrier

Taylor Danielle Ward
Summa Cum Laude

Xinyang Li
Cum Laude

Summer 2024

Nathaniel Jorge Salzman

Tia Lawayne Taylor

Associate of Science in Health Sciences

Fall 2023

Demi Lanae Hemmings

Spring 2024

Uzodinma Isaac Otuonye

Department of Healthcare Administration

Executive Master of Healthcare Administration

Fall 2023

Lora Mae Lagra-Yuro

Master of Healthcare Administration

Fall 2023

Ruth Esther Bowling

Nkiru Laura Mbionwu

Amanda Bunsee

Belisa Claret Urdaneta

Robert Lee Ingram

Master of Healthcare Administration: Strategy and Innovation

Fall 2023

Nicole Katherine Acosta

Sarah Lorraine Ontiveroz

Bettina Larraga Agustin

Rohan Rajesh Patel

Maxwell Joseph Boonstra

Amrita Ramsanahie

Danielle Andrea Diaz

Emanuel Ripandelli

Shafic El-Bacha

Lukus Adam Staup

Richard Tyler Hill

Jaime Lynne Tina

Amanda Lorraine Mitchell

Master of Healthcare Administration: Strategy and Innovation

Spring 2024

Rebecca Ann Bartlinski

Azucena Velasco Jimenez

Oxana Dabija

Itzel Nichole Martinez

Mia Donna Garcia Dabrowski

Malcolm Marcelino Nieves

Tiana Danietra Hayes

Ariana Maria Otero-Rosario

Caroline Joy Hunter

Lisa Ann Stewart

Josephine Randall Inzillo

Joseph Terry

Marysol Janer

Brittany Eileen Zill

Summer 2024

Stephanie Alava

Nicole Taylor Garson

Beatrice Antoh

Brandon Michael Groves

Bryan Jacob Barr

Olivia Racquel Miller-Caron

Kimberly Sue Bourcier

Angela Tise Sampson

Alexa Gray Coates

Anahit Mary Tatarian

Master of Healthcare Administration: Strategy and Innovation

Summer 2024

Daniel Ray Thomas

Vineetha Puthukkeril Varghese

Jannel Alicia Todd

Megan Delane Williams

Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration

Fall 2023

Thamara Colon-Nazario

Emily Lauren Mann

Summa Cum Laude

Summer 2024

Zachary James Coker

Stephany Soto

Cum Laude

Department of Occupational Therapy

Master of Science in Occupational Therapy

Fall 2023

Jennifer Granger Clark

Reghan Lee Massie

Natalie Christina DiMauro

Hunter Scarlett McIntosh

Peyton Lynn DiRocco

Bianca Cathrynne Mercado

Heather Lynn Finnegan*

Joann Marie Nales

Amanda Mariah Gois

Vanessa Aleida Piermont*

Kayleigh Danielle Jerdon

Kathryn Elina Scodellaro

Brooke Elizabeth Kokowicz

Sabrina Denise Smith

Michayla Noelle Konen

Hailey Alexis Stuffle

Josel Allende Leong*

Emily Megan Suarez

Kyle Evan Longhofer

Eleni-Panayiota Athanassios Velalis*

**National Pi Theta Epsilon Chapter of Delta Pi society*

Associate of Science in Occupational Therapy Assistant

Summer 2024

Emily Ann Behal
Summa Cum Laude

Natalia Prieto
Cum Laude

Michelle Cristian
Magna Cum Laude

Sarah Elizabeth Richmond
Magna Cum Laude

Dianelis Delgado

Annelys Marie Santos
Magna Cum Laude

Joseph Abdel Gregory

Brianna Unique Snow
Magna Cum Laude

Xyomara Gloria Enyd Leito
Cum Laude

Natasha Damali Thomas
Magna Cum Laude

Rosario Lyann Martinez Santiago
Magna Cum Laude

Lynneris Otero Feliciano

Department of Physician Assistant Studies

Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies

Summer 2024

Noelle Jeanne Anderson

Megan McMurrin Lajara

Alexis Nicole Bailey

Selena Miranda*

Yeny Murillo Bannon

Danelys Morales

Angela Gabriel Bateh

Darines D. Perez Felipe

Jenna Alexa Beato

Madison Ann Robichaux

Sean Michael Berringer

Jasmine Ganiban Rosales

James Micheal Carey

Anna Sunjeong Sakata

James Matthew Connelly

Sanila Shoaib Siddiqui*

Sean Ryan Doherty

Amelia Mae Simberg

Ashley Marie Evans

Sydnee Kiara Sovercool

Madison Kristine Ewing

Marnel Gregory Surin

Camella Sophia Gallagher

Collin Joseph Tarczon*

Valentina Gonzalez Moncada

Aaron Tong

Kirby Lynn Hall

Kevin Alexander Vega

Kyle Robert Helmstetter*

**Pi Alpha is the national Physician Assistant honor society*

Department of Imaging Sciences

Bachelor of Science in Imaging Sciences

Fall 2023

Catherine Ellen Depew
Imaging Leadership Track
Magna Cum Laude

Shontay Sharay Smalls
Imaging Leadership Track
Cum Laude

Segundo Jorge Rengifo
Imaging Leadership Track

Alyssa Marie Warwick
Diagnostic Medical Sonography Track
Cum Laude

Spring 2024

Claudine Marie Gomez
Computed Tomography Track

Mariella SantaMaria
Magnetic Resonance Imaging Track

Zachary Alan Hill
Imaging Leadership Track
Cum Laude

Shanon Kayann Segre
Interdisciplinary Track
Magna Cum Laude

Asia Pauline Mack
Vascular Interventional Radiography Track

Andrea Marie Smith
Computed Tomography Track
Magna Cum Laude

Mbogu Antonnette Metuge
Imaging Leadership Track

Bachelor of Science in Imaging Sciences

Summer 2024

Jennifer Anderson

Magnetic Resonance Imaging Track

Kelsey Alexis Moore

Imaging Leadership Track

Cum Laude

Stacy Lynn Dolan

Diagnostic Medical Sonography Track

Magna Cum Laude

Robin Christine Smith

Interdisciplinary Track

Samara Lynell Frazier

Interdisciplinary Track

Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology

Spring 2024

Camila Maria Angulo*

Summa Cum Laude

Nuclear Medicine Award of Excellence

Alexander Peter Marchione

Cum Laude

Justin Jon Flores

Cum Laude

Gawaine Andrew McGowan

Cesar Olvera Flores

Cum Laude

Sonia Felicita Gonzalez-Martinez*

Magna Cum Laude

Musa Samir Suleiman

Magna Cum Laude

Brian Austin Howington-Paytes

Cum Laude

*Florida Alpha Chi Omega Chapter of Lambda Nu Honor Society

Associate of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography

Spring 2024

Kameryn Rose Cadenas

Cum Laude

Ana Belen Herrera Cruz*

Summa Cum Laude

Sofia Judyann Clark

Cum Laude

Claire Elizabeth Hustedt

Cum Laude

Charlotte Marjorie Creamer-Fowler

Cum Laude

Abigail Elizabeth Jones

Yifan Lei

Cum Laude

Elizaveta V. Dolya

Cum Laude

Lacey Alexa Lewis

Magna Cum Laude

Courtney Lee Doyal

Karrilynn Webster Dulgarian*

Summa Cum Laude

Kara Lee McWee

Sara Abigail Meredith*

Summa Cum Laude

Alyssa Lauren Engstrom

Cum Laude

Julia Victoria Montoya Vanegas

Ruby Esmeralda Gonzalez*

Magna Cum Laude

Daniel James Ortner

Cum Laude

Caylee Irene Hajde

Cum Laude

Emily Lee Rees

Karli Anne Haywood

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Academic Regalia & Mace

The AdventHealth University Mace and the wide variety of academic regalia seen in the current academic procession date to the formation of the earliest educational institutions of higher education. The mace was originally a powerful weapon of war, used in battle by medieval knights and heavy enough to break the enemy's armor. Later, in virtually the same form, the mace was widely used to protect royalty; and eventually maces, bejeweled and highly decorated, were used in ceremonial functions as symbols of authority. The Mace, carried today by the Grand Marshal, is a symbol of the authority of AdventHealth University and is displayed only at official University convocations. Echoing both its early use as a weapon and its later use symbolizing authority, the University's Mace represents education's authority to break through ignorance and prejudice.

The main staff of the University Mace is of walnut, among the hardest and most attractive of woods, showing both the rigor and the beauty of the education offered at AdventHealth University. The four-sided bronze platform at the top of the staff represents the four key values of the University's programs: Nurture, Excellence, Spirituality, and Stewardship. On this bronze platform is mounted a representation of the University's seal with the institution's full name encircling four flames of fire representing truth triumphing over ignorance and prejudice while igniting the fires of life-long learning.

It is also instructive to note the symbolic meaning expressed in the various parts of the academic regalia. European universities still show a wide diversity of official academic apparel. However, approximately a century ago, American colleges and universities adopted a consistent academic costume code widely used today in the United States.

The various types of academic gowns represent the different degrees that have been conferred. The gowns for the associate and bachelor's degrees have pointed sleeves. The gown for the master's degree has oblong sleeves that open at the wrist. The gown for doctoral degrees has bell-shaped sleeves that close at the wrist.

On the back of the gowns are hoods that are lined with the official color or colors of the college or university conferring the degree. Since members of the faculty hold degrees from numerous universities and colleges, space does not permit identification of each hood in the academic procession. The colors of the velvet trim on the hoods of each gown represent the discipline in which the degree was conferred, and those disciplines can be identified as follows:

<i>Arts, Letters, Humanities</i>	<i>White</i>
<i>Business</i>	<i>Drab</i>
<i>Education</i>	<i>Light Blue</i>
<i>Fine Arts</i>	<i>Brown</i>
<i>Health Arts</i>	<i>Sage Green</i>
<i>Library Science</i>	<i>Lemon</i>
<i>Nursing</i>	<i>Apricot</i>
<i>Philosophy</i>	<i>Dark Blue</i>
<i>Public Health</i>	<i>Salmon Pink</i>
<i>Science</i>	<i>Golden Yellow</i>
<i>Theology, Ministry</i>	<i>Scarlet</i>

Honors

Listing a student's name in this program does not guarantee degree completion. Graduation honors are based upon the current, cumulative grade point average (GPA) at the time of printing. All honors listed in this program are subject to completion of all degree requirements and are awarded only to undergraduate students. Honors are indicated by the cords worn by the graduates, coded as follows:

Blue, Green, and Gray Cords	Summa Cum Laude	GPA of 3.90 or above
Blue and Gray Cords	Magna Cum Laude	GPA of 3.75 to 3.89
Gray Cords	Cum Laude	GPA of 3.50 to 3.74

The Department of Nursing grants nursing honors upon completion of the baccalaureate degrees. Nursing Honors are awarded to nursing students whose cumulative AHU GPA in nursing courses is 3.50 and above. Students with a failing grade (below a grade of "C") in any of the baccalaureate-level nursing courses or who are pending completion of degree requirements are not eligible for Nursing Honors.

Chi Upsilon - Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing has a mission of advancing world health and celebrating nursing excellence in scholarship, leadership, and service. STTI membership is by invitation to baccalaureate and graduate nursing students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship and to nurse leaders exhibiting exceptional achievements in nursing. Members include the top 35% of Baccalaureate graduates with a minimum GPA of 3.00 and Master graduates with a minimum GPA of 3.50. Members wear purple and white cords.

The national Pi Theta Epsilon Chapter of Delta Pi is the honor society for Master of Occupational Therapy students at AHU. The purpose of Delta Pi is to recognize and encourage scholastic excellence of occupational therapy students; contribute to the advancement of the field of occupational therapy through scholarly activities; and provide a vehicle for students enrolled in accredited programs in occupational therapy to exchange information and to collaborate regarding scholarly activities. Membership is offered to the top 35% of the MOT class. Members wear navy blue and gold cords.

Delta Phi Tau is the American Council on Academic Physical Therapy (ACAPT) honor society for Doctor of Physical Therapist students who: Demonstrate excellence, integrity, and professionalism in areas of academic achievement; leadership; service or research; and demonstrate strong moral character, ethics and the core values of the PT profession.

Honors

Pi Alpha is the national Physician Assistant honor society organized for the promotion and recognition of both PA students and graduates. Membership signifies the inductees' significant academic achievement and honors them for their leadership, research, community/professional service and other related activities. The society also encourages a high standard of character and conduct among students and graduates. Members wear blue and green cords.

The Nuclear Medicine Award of Excellence is given to the Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology student who has achieved an academic grade point average of 3.50 or above and has shown outstanding clinical performance.

The Florida Alpha Chi Omega Chapter of Lambda Nu is the national honor society for the radiologic and imaging science students at AdventHealth University. The purpose of Lambda Nu is to foster academic scholarship at the highest academic levels, promote research and investigation in the radiologic and imaging sciences, recognize exemplary scholarship, mentor students in the imaging sciences, and promote community service. Membership is offered to the top 25% of diagnostic medical sonography, nuclear medicine, and radiography students with a professional course GPA of 3.50 or higher. Lambda Nu's colors are maroon for the radiologic sciences, forest green for the health professions, and gold, the ancient color of honor.

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) honors a student with the Certificate of Excellence Award who has graduated from a JRCERT accredited program and has achieved excellence in radiologic sciences.

The Presidential Medallion

The historic traditions of the commencement ceremony are also reflected in the medallions worn by some of its participants. Chief among these is the Presidential Medallion worn by the University President as a symbol of that high office. The medallion features a replica of the University seal, the name of the University encircling four flames of fire representing truth triumphing over ignorance and prejudice while igniting the fires of life-long learning.

The medallion is suspended from a collar featuring the core values of the University (Nurture, Excellence, Spirituality, and Stewardship) interspersed with discs featuring the lamp of learning and the University seal. The Presidential Medallion has a plate immediately above it engraved with the word, President. Medallions and collars are worn over the academic gown and only at official convocations such as this commencement.

Nursing Pledge – Florence Nightingale Pledge

I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly, to pass my life in purity and to practice my profession faithfully. I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug.

I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standard of my profession and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping, and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling. With loyalty I will endeavor to aid the physician in his work, and as a 'missioner of health' I will dedicate myself to devoted service to human welfare.

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