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HERBERT WERTHEIM COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

# CONVOCAATION

APRIL 28, 2014





**Herbert Wertheim  
College of Medicine**

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY



Dear Graduates of 2014:

On behalf of President Rosenberg, Provost Wartzok, and the entire faculty and staff, I am honored to congratulate you on your graduation from Florida International University Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine (FIU HWCOC). It is a tremendous honor for us to be entrusted with the task of teaching, training, mentoring, and guiding you on your path to becoming physicians, and it brings us great joy to celebrate your commencement today.

Graduating from medical school is a momentous achievement and an important step in your personal and professional development—but this is just one step along a path that is yours to create. I am touched by the words of Sir William Osler, a Canadian physician and one of the “Big Four” founding professors at Johns Hopkins Hospital:

*“The hardest conviction to get into the mind of a beginner is that the education upon which he[she] 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 a preparation.”*

On behalf of all of your teachers at FIU HWCOC, I am confident that your dedication and hard work have equipped you with the knowledge, skills, and attributes required to become excellent physicians and leaders and—most importantly—lifelong learners. As you move on to residency, fellowships, clinical practice, research, and other academic and personal pursuits, carry with you the pioneering spirit that has driven the creation of our new college of medicine at FIU as you continually strive to learn and to serve and to make this world a better place.

Godspeed and good luck,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John A. Rock, M.D." in a cursive style.

John A. Rock, M.D.  
Founding Dean and Senior Vice President for Health Affairs  
Florida International University Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine

# Convocation Program

ACADEMIC PROCESSION	Saint Andrew's Pipe Band of Miami
CONVOCATION MARSHAL	Thomas Breslin, Ph.D. <i>Professor, Department of Politics and International Relations</i>
FACULTY MARSHALS	Sanford M. Markham, M.D. <i>Emeritus Executive Associate Dean for Student Affairs</i> Barbra A. Roller, Ph.D. <i>Assistant Dean for Student Affairs</i>
STUDENT MARSHALS	Ferdinand Gomez, M.S. <i>Instructor, Department of Cellular Biology and Pharmacology</i> Suzanne Minor, M.D. <i>Assistant Professor, Division of Family Medicine, Department of Humanities, Health and Society</i>
CONVENER	John A. Rock, M.D. <i>Founding Dean, Senior Vice President for Health Affairs</i>
INVOCATION	Albert E. Dotson, Sr. <i>Chairman Emeritus, FIU Board of Trustees</i>
INTRODUCTIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS	John A. Rock, M.D. <i>Founding Dean, Senior Vice President for Health Affairs</i>
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM AND FIU ALMA MATER	Matthew Steynor <i>Director of Music and Organist, Trinity Cathedral of Miami</i> Laura Martinez Leon <i>Graduate Student, Voice Performance College of Architecture + The Arts</i>
PRESIDENT'S REMARKS	Mark B. Rosenberg, Ph.D. <i>President</i>
INTRODUCTION OF CONVOCATION SPEAKER	Robert L. Hernandez Jr., M.D. <i>Executive Associate Dean for Student Affairs</i>
CONVOCATION ADDRESS	Lynn H. Harrison, M.D. <i>"Thoughts on Entering the House of God"</i> <i>Medical Director, Professional Standards and Leadership Development Baptist Health Medical Group, Baptist Health South Florida</i>

PRESENTATION OF SENIOR CLASS GIFT	Andrew Steven Johnson, M.D. <i>President, Class of 2014</i>
INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKER	Robert F. Dollinger, M.D. <i>Assistant Dean for Student Affairs</i>
STUDENT ADDRESS	Michael Kwak, M.D. <i>Class of 2014</i>
PRESENTATION OF DOCTOR OF MEDICINE DEGREES	Robert L. Hernandez Jr., M.D. <i>Executive Associate Dean for Student Affairs</i>

## Presentation of Hoods and Diplomas

NARRATOR	Robert L. Hernandez Jr., M.D. <i>Executive Associate Dean for Student Affairs</i>
HOODS	George Dambach, Ph.D. <i>Associate Dean for Curriculum and Medical Education</i> Karin Esposito, M.D., Ph.D. <i>Associate Dean for Academic Affairs</i> David Graham, M.D. <i>Associate Dean for Clinical Medical Education</i> Pedro J. Greer Jr., M.D. <i>Associate Dean for Community Engagement</i>
DIPLOMAS	Carolyn D. Runowicz, M.D. <i>Executive Associate Dean for Academic Affairs</i>
ADMINISTRATION OF PHYSICIAN'S OATH	J. Patrick O'Leary, M.D. <i>Founding Executive Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs</i>
CLOSING REMARKS	John A. Rock, M.D. <i>Founding Dean, Senior Vice President for Health Affairs</i>
RECESSIONAL	Matthew Steynor <i>Director of Music and Organist, Trinity Cathedral of Miami</i>

# The History of FIU's Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine

Florida International University Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine arose from a community need for access to medical education and a projected critical shortage of physicians in the state and nationwide. In March 2006, the Florida Board of Governors of the State University System of Florida approved FIU's plans for establishing a college of medicine. In May 2006, the state legislature of Florida authorized the creation of the new college and immediately thereafter FIU began to develop an innovative, 21st century approach to health care and medical education. In the fall of 2006, FIU selected John A. Rock, M.D., MSPH, as founding dean and senior vice president for medical affairs of its new college of medicine.

In April 2007, the college submitted its application for preliminary accreditation to the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME). The application described a four-year curriculum plan that forgoes the traditional pattern of two years of basic science followed by two years of clinical training and instead integrates clinical and basic science over the entire four-year medical education experience. The program is anchored by a set of competency expectations with core clinical conditions and clinical skills required for every student. The program is a continuum of advancing complexity of study with a formal curriculum in professional development and one-on-one student-physician interaction in a variety of health care settings throughout South Florida. A required research component fosters a spirit of inquiry and supports the missions of the college and its parent university. A service-learning program, Green Family Foundation NeighborhoodHELP™, fosters cultural competence and interdisciplinary teamwork, immersing medical students and students from other disciplines into select South Florida neighborhoods to advance individual and community health. In 2012, HWCOC launched a NeighborhoodHELP™ Mobile Health Center that provides primary and preventive health care services to NeighborhoodHELP™ household members in our communities. The college received preliminary accreditation from the LCME in February 2008, allowing the school to prepare to accept its inaugural class of students in the fall of 2009.

Since its inception, the college has completed each step of the accreditation process in the shortest time possible, achieving full accreditation from the LCME in February 2013. With enrollments of 43, 43, 82, and 120 students in 2009 through 2012, respectively, the college is on target to reach planned full capacity of 480 students by 2015. In 2011, the university's faculty group practice, "FIU Health," opened a state-of-the-art facility on the FIU Modesto A. Maidique campus, expanding FIU Health's services and hours of operation to serve the health care needs of the community. A second FIU Health facility opened at Broward Health Medical Center in February 2013, and additional sites are in development. The college employs a highly diverse faculty and staff, creating learning environments that foster the development of culturally competent physicians prepared to improve the quality of patient care.

On March 15, 2013, Florida International University Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine celebrated its first Match Day, with all 33 graduating medical students matching to one of their chosen residencies. On April 29, 2013, convocation ceremonies for the inaugural class marked the culmination of the first full cycle of the Doctor of Medicine degree program at Florida International University.



Herbert Wertheim O.D., DSc, M.D. (hc)  
*Founding Chairman Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine*  
*Trustee Emeritus Florida International University*  
*Chairman and CEO, Brain Power Incorporated*

Dr. Herbert A. Wertheim is an inventor, educator, scientist, eye physician, clinician, entrepreneur, philanthropist, and community leader. Dr. Wertheim's enduring discoveries and contributions in eye care and other scientific fields have touched millions during his forty years of patient care and eye research. He and his research team have been granted more than 100 patents, copyrights, and trademarks.

Dr. Wertheim founded Brain Power Incorporated (BPI) over 40 years ago. BPI is the world's largest manufacturer of ophthalmic instruments and chemicals for eye care professionals and optical laboratories, with extensive research and manufacturing facilities in the US and Europe. For many years he had a clinical practice specializing in Visual Neurology and Optometry at the University Eye and Medical Center in Coral Gables, Florida. Dr. Wertheim was a distinguished lecturer in Physiological Optics and Optometry at the world-renowned Bascom Palmer Eye Institute and Adjunct Professor of Physics in the graduate program at the University of Miami. He also served as director of the University of Tennessee Medical School Computer Center, directing more than forty programmers and researchers.

Dr. Wertheim is a graduate of Brevard Community College and the University of Florida, where he studied electrical and computer engineering. He also received a B.S. in optical engineering and a Doctor of Optometry degree from the Southern College of Optometry in association with the University of Tennessee Medical School. Dr. Wertheim was awarded the Doctor of Science, honoris causa, from FIU for his distinguished scientific and clinical discoveries. He has completed post graduate studies at Stanford University, London School of Economics, Northwestern University, Harvard, and IMD in Switzerland. He is also a member of University of Florida Blue Key.

More than 35 years ago, Dr. Wertheim was the first to publicize and stress to eye care professionals the prevention of cataracts and the management of other retinal pathology. He emphasized the fact that UV light was a contributing cause of cataracts and retinal deterioration. Dr. Wertheim's invention of UV-400 absorbers for eyeglasses as well as other discoveries have been beneficial in reducing cataracts as well as other eye pathologies.

Dr. Wertheim has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors and Board member of the FIU Foundation from 1988 through 2001. He is a founding member of the FIU Board of Trustees and served as chairman and vice chairman of the University's most successful Capital Campaign, which raised more than 200 million dollars.

As chairman of FIU's Academic Affairs Committee, he conceived, initiated and won the approval of the University's Trustees for the Medical College and was asked to chair the Medical College Initiative. In May 2009, he and the Dr. Herbert and Nicole Wertheim Family Foundation made a twenty million dollar contribution that becomes forty million with state matching funds to establish multiple endowments. They support student scholarships, research fellows, leadership lectures, medical community advancement, and eight endowed chairs for the Medical College. In June 2009, the FIU Board of Trustees named the college the "Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine" in his honor and named him Founding Chairman of the College of Medicine and Trustee Emeritus of the University.

In 2011 he was awarded the Horatio Alger Distinguished American Medal of Honor for his lifetime accomplishments in business and philanthropy.

The La Jolla Institute of Allergies and Immunology Board elected Dr. Wertheim to serve as a Director and research advisor. This will give each institution the ability to benefit from shared educational, research and clinical knowledge and resources in the future.

Dr. Wertheim has served as chairman of the Dr. Herbert and Nicole Wertheim Family Foundation since 1977. It has supported hundreds of local and international educational, sporting, and community health care organizations around the world with millions of dollars in financial aid grants.

## Convocation Speaker



**Lynn H. Harrison, Jr., M.D., FACS**  
*Medical Director, Professional Standards and Leadership Development*  
*Baptist Health Medical Group, Baptist Health South Florida*

Lynn Henry Harrison, Jr., M.D. was born and raised in Oklahoma. He received a BA degree from Yale University and a Doctorate of Medicine degree from the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine.

Following graduation from medical school Dr. Harrison began his career as a surgeon with a surgical internship followed by a surgical residency in General Surgery, Thoracic Surgery, and Cardiac Surgery at Duke University Medical Center, where he trained under Dr. David Sabiston. This training was interrupted for two years during which time Dr. Harrison served in the U.S. Public Health Service as a surgeon at the National Heart and Lung Institute, National Institutes of Health, in Bethesda, Maryland.

After completion of his surgical training, Dr. Harrison began a long history in academic medicine with faculty appointments at the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center, the Louisiana State University School of Medicine, and the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center. During this time Dr. Harrison rose from the rank of Assistant Professor of Surgery to Professor of Surgery and Chief of the Division of Cardio-Thoracic Surgery at both Louisiana State University School of Medicine, where he held the Craighead Chair in Surgery, and the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center.

During medical school, Dr. Harrison was elected to Alpha Omega Alpha National Honor Society and served his graduating class as President. Since then he has received numerous honors relating to this academic excellence and has become an active member of many professional organizations and societies such as the American College of Surgeons and the Society for Thoracic Surgeons where he has been elected to a variety of different offices and leadership positions.

Dr. Harrison has published 50 full-length scientific articles in refereed journals, most as first author. He has additionally authored or co-authored a number of book chapters and abstracts and has presented a large number of named lectureships from New York to California and from Michigan to Mexico.

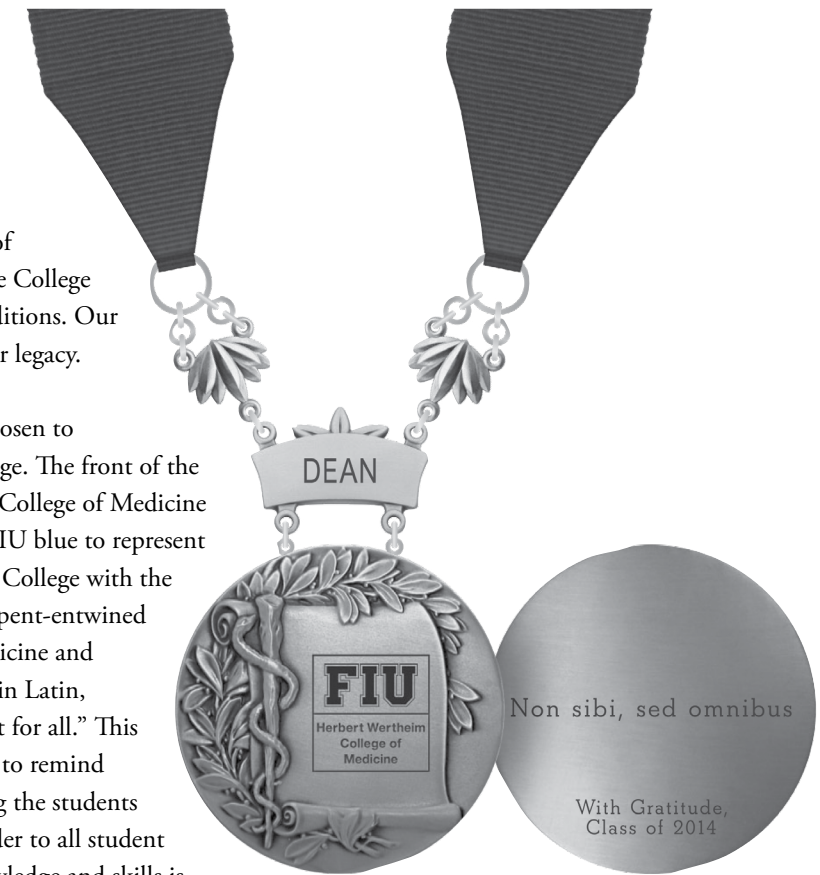
In 2009, Dr. Harrison was recruited to become Clinical Director of Cardiac Surgery for Baptist Health South Florida. Because of his leadership experience, Dr. Harrison was appointed Chief, Cardio-Thoracic Surgery for the FIU Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine in 2010. He delivered the Keynote Address at the White Coat Ceremony for the Class of 2014 in August 2010.

## Senior Class Gift Dedication of the Dean's Medallion

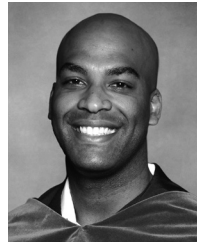
The FIU Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine Class of 2014 would like to present our founding Dean, Dr. John A. Rock, with this year's class gift: the Dean's Medallion. This medallion is a symbol of the Dean's leadership and highest authority at the College. The Dean's Medallion is traditionally worn by the dean in office at all academic ceremonies. As the second graduating class at the College of Medicine, we have been invested in the development of the College and have been involved in the initiation of many of its traditions. Our intention is to initiate this final tradition as a symbol of our legacy.

The components of the Dean's Medallion were carefully chosen to represent the College of Medicine and the University at large. The front of the medallion displays the logo of the FIU Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine etched onto a scroll. The University letters are colored in FIU blue to represent the importance of the interaction and collaboration of our College with the rest of the University community. Beside the scroll, the serpent-entwined staff of Asclepius symbolizes the ancient Greek god of medicine and healing. The back of the medallion displays an inscription in Latin, "Non sibi, sed omnibus," which means "not for myself, but for all." This phrase is meant to serve a dual purpose. Firstly, it is meant to remind the Dean of the humility essential to his position in serving the students and our community. Secondly, it is to function as a reminder to all student physicians and faculty that the acquisition of medical knowledge and skills is not for our own benefit, but for the benefit of others.

We proudly present the Dean's Medallion to Dr. Rock and the faculty of the College of Medicine with immense gratitude for their dedication to our education and training.



## Class of 2014 Graduates



**Adrian N. Alexis Ruiz, M.D.**  
Anesthesiology – Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

University of Hartford, BS in Biology



**Yilien Alonso, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine – Cleveland Clinic Florida, Weston, FL

Florida International University, BS in Biology



**Alejandra Alvarez, M.D.**  
Family Medicine – Memorial Hermann Hospital System, Sugar Land, TX

Florida International University, BS in Health Sciences



**Edilberto Raul Alvarez, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine – Preliminary – Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, FL

Radiology- Diagnostic – Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, FL

University of Miami, BS in Biology



**Darinka Milagros Aragon, M.D.**  
Psychiatry – University of California Irvine Medical Center, Orange, CA

University of Florida,  
BS in Microbiology/Bacteriology



**Rebecca Melissa Arana, M.D.**  
Psychiatry – Jackson Memorial Hospital Miami, FL

University of Miami,  
BS in Mathematics/Chemistry



**Moataz Mohamed Behairy, M.D.**  
Surgery-Preliminary – Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA

Radiology-Diagnostic – Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY

Nova Southeastern University, BS in Biology



**Neeva Bose, M.D.**  
Family Medicine – Trident Medical Center, Charleston, SC

University of Miami,  
BS in Psychology and Biology



**Lisandra Calzadilla, M.D.**  
Obstetrics and Gynecology – Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, FL

Florida International University, BS in Biology

## Class of 2014 Graduates



**Thomas James Capasso, M.D.**  
General Surgery – Mount Sinai Medical Center, Miami Beach, FL

Boston University, MA in Medical Sciences  
Florida State University, BS in Biology



**Damien Luis Carracedo, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine – Florida Atlantic University

Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine,  
Boca Raton, FL

University of Florida,  
BS in Microbiology/Bacteriology



**Lee Erik Connor, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine – Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, Winston-Salem, NC

University of Florida,  
BS in Microbiology and Cell Science



**Noah Delone, M.D.**  
Emergency Medicine – Icahn School of Medicine St. Lukes-Roosevelt, New York, NY

University of Florida, BA in Integrative Biology



**Karla Elena Diaz Ayllon, M.D.**  
Pediatrics – University of Florida College of Medicine, Shands Hospital, Gainesville, FL

Duke University, BS in Biology,  
Anthropology and Anatomy, BA in French



**Irfan Fauq, M.D.**  
Psychiatry – University of Arizona Affiliated Hospitals, Tucson, AZ

University of Florida,  
BS in Bacteriology and Microbiology



**Michael James Glamore, M.D.**  
Surgery-Preliminary – Barnes-Jewish Hospital, St. Louis, MO

Urology – Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO

Cornell University, BS in Biological Engineering



**Jinny Lyn Gunn, M.D.**  
General Surgery – Mayo Clinic College of Medicine, Jacksonville, FL

University of California at San Diego,  
BS in Psychology



**Andrew Steven Johnson, M.D.**  
General Surgery – Navy Medical Center, San Diego, CA

University of Florida, BS in Interdisciplinary Studies – Biology

## Class of 2014 Graduates



**Trisha Padmini Kissoon, M.D.**  
Pediatrics – Miami Children’s Hospital,  
Miami, FL

University of Miami, BS in Biology



**Jennifer Ellyn Kosoy, M.D.**  
Pediatrics – North Shore-Long Island Jewish  
Health System, Great Neck, NY

University of Florida,  
BS in Nutritional Science



**Michael Kwak, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine – University of Southern  
California, Los Angeles, CA

University of Florida, BS in  
Microbiology/Bacteriology



**Priya Sunil Patel, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine – Case Western Reserve  
Univ/MetroHealth Medical Center, Cleveland,  
OH

University of Florida, BS in  
Microbiology/Bacteriology



**Ashley Marie Rojas, M.D.**  
Family Medicine – Jackson Memorial Hospital,  
Miami, FL

University of Miami, BS in Psychology



**Elena Rueda de León, M.D.**  
Pediatrics – All Children’s Hospital,  
St. Petersburg, FL

Florida Atlantic University, MS in  
Biomedical Sciences

Florida Atlantic University, BS in  
Biological Sciences



**Alejandro J. Landa, M.D.**  
Obstetrics and Gynecology – Duke University  
Medical Center, Durham, NC

Florida Atlantic University,  
BA in Biochemistry



**Cristina Marie Lopez, M.D.**  
Pediatrics – Greenville Hospital System/  
University of South Carolina, Greenville, SC

Florida International University,  
BS in Biology



**Timothy A. Lu, M.D.**  
Surgery-Preliminary – Riverside County  
Regional Medical Center, Moreno Valley, CA

Georgetown University, MS in Physiology  
University of California at Davis, BS in  
Microbiology/Bacteriology, BA in History



**Gabriel Sánchez, M.D.**  
Pathology-Anatomic and Clinical – Mount  
Sinai Medical Center, Miami Beach, FL

University of Central Florida, BS in Biology



**Dante M. Sorrentino, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine-Preliminary – University of  
Hawaii, Honolulu, HI

Ophthalmology - University of Pittsburg  
Medical Center, Pittsburg, PA

University of Florida, BS in Microbiology/  
Bacteriology



**Clare E. Stevens, M.D.**  
Child Neurology – Johns Hopkins Hospital  
Baltimore, MD

Washington University – St. Louis,  
BA in Spanish/Neuroscience



**Cory Michael McLaughlin, M.D.**  
General Surgery – Baylor University Medical  
Center, Dallas, TX

Florida State University,  
BS in Biomedical Engineering



**Heather Miller, M.D.**  
Obstetrics and Gynecology – Baylor College of  
Medicine, Houston, TX

University of Miami, BS in Biology/Spanish



**Dorjan Pantic, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine/Emergency Medicine –  
North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health  
System, Great Neck, NY

University of Florida, BS in  
Microbiology/Bacteriology



**Christopher Brian Thomas, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine – University of California  
Riverside School of Medicine, Riverside, CA

University of California at Santa Barbara,  
BS in Biochemistry Molecular Biology



**Omar Amed Tolaymat, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine – University of Florida  
College of Medicine, Jacksonville, FL

University of Central Florida, BS in Biology



**Vinh Tonthat, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine/Emergency Medicine – LSU  
School of Medicine, New Orleans, LA

University of California at Irvine,  
BS in Biomedical Engineering

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**Isaac M. Truelson, M.D.**  
Family Medicine – University of Florida  
College of Medicine, Shands Hospital,  
Gainesville, FL

University of Alaska, BS in Mathematics



**Sara Marie Truelson, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine – University of Florida  
College of Medicine, Shands Hospital,  
Gainesville, FL

University of Florida, BS in Biology



**Alexander Joseph Volsky, M.D.**  
Surgery-Preliminary – University of Florida  
College of Medicine, Jacksonville, FL

Duke University, BA in History



**Philip Samir Wasef, M.D.**  
Psychiatry – University of South Florida  
College of Medicine, Tampa, FL

University of South Florida,  
BS in Biomedical Science



**James Leonard West, M.D.**  
Neurological Surgery – Wake Forest Baptist  
Medical Center, Winston-Salem, NC

University of Florida, BS in Agricultural and  
Biological Engineering



**Geoffrey Hunter Yurcisin, M.D.**  
General Surgery – Greenville Hospital System/  
University of South Carolina, Greenville, SC

University of Florida, BS in Biology

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**Gregory Brian Foremny, M.D.**

## 2014 Education Awards

The following awardees were selected by the Graduating Class of 2014 in recognition of exemplary contributions to the education of medical students.

### OUTSTANDING PRE-CLINICAL COURSE

Endocrinology

### PRE-CLINICAL TEACHING AWARD

Mr. Ferdinand Gomez

### OUTSTANDING CLINICAL COURSE

Radiology

### CLINICAL TEACHING AWARD

Dr. Jefry Biehler

### OUTSTANDING CLINICAL AFFILIATE

Miami Children's Hospital

## Honors

### ALPHA OMEGA ALPHA

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. Up to 16 percent of the graduating class may be elected based on leadership, character, community service, and professionalism

Yilien Alonso  
Edilberto Raul Alvarez  
Michael James Glamore  
Heather Miller  
Dorjan Pantic  
Dante M. Sorrentino  
Clare E. Stevens

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### LEONARD TOW HUMANISM IN MEDICINE AWARD

Sponsored by the Gold Foundation, this award is presented to the student who best demonstrates the Foundation's ideals of outstanding compassion in the delivery of care, respect for patients, their families, and healthcare colleagues, as well as demonstrated clinical excellence.

Alejandra Alvarez

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### GOLD HUMANISM HONOR SOCIETY

The 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."

Yilien Alonso  
Alejandra Alvarez  
Edilberto Raul Alvarez  
Karla Elena Diaz Ayllon  
Michael James Glamore  
Michael Kwak  
Elena Rueda de León  
Clare E. Stevens

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### DR. ROBERT KEMPER AWARD

Underwritten by the Key Biscayne Foundation, this award is named in memory of Dr. Robert Kemper, who exemplified the highest qualities of medical professionalism until his life was cut short by cancer.

Clare E. Stevens

## Administrators

John A. Rock, M.D.  
*Founding Dean and Senior Vice President for Health Affairs*  
Professor

J. Patrick O'Leary, M.D.  
*Founding Executive Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs and Assistant Vice President for Strategic Planning*  
Professor

Robert L. Hernandez Jr., M.D.  
*Executive Associate Dean for Student Affairs*  
Associate Professor

Sanford M. Markham, M.D.  
*Emeritus Executive Associate Dean for Student Affairs*  
Professor

Carolyn D. Runowicz, M.D.  
*Executive Associate Dean for Academic Affairs*  
Professor

Liane Martinez, MSF  
*Executive Associate Dean for Finance and Administration*  
Faculty Administrator

## Department Chairs

Jeffry L. Biehler, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Pediatrics*  
*Associate Professor*

Daniel Castellanos, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Psychiatry*  
*and Behavioral Health*  
*Professor*

Sergio M. Gonzalez-Arias, M.D., Ph.D.  
*Chair, Department of Neuroscience*  
*Professor*

David Graham, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Radiology*  
*Professor*

Pedro J. Greer, Jr., M.D.  
*Chair, Department of*  
*Humanities, Health, and Society*  
*Professor*

Pedro F. Lopez, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Ophthalmology*  
*Professor*

Mark Multach, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Medicine*  
*Associate Professor*

Madhavan Nair, Ph.D.  
*Chair, Department of Immunology*  
*Professor*

Alan Nieder, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Urology*  
*Associate Professor*

Manuel Peñalver, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology*  
*Professor*

Georg Petroianu, M.D., Ph.D.  
*Chair, Department of Cellular*  
*Biology and Pharmacology*  
*Professor*

Robert Poppiti, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Pathology*  
*Professor*

Jaime Rodriguez, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Surgery*  
*Associate Professor*

Joe Leigh Simpson, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Human and Molecular Genetics*  
*Professor*

John Uribe, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Orthopedics*  
*Professor*

S. Howard Wittels, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Anesthesiology*  
*Professor*

Martin N. Zaiac, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Dermatology*  
*Associate Professor*

Vijay Zaveri, M.D.  
*Chair, Department of Otolaryngology*  
*Assistant Professor*

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Beraja Medical Institute  
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Joe Leigh Simpson  
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Mr. R. Kirk Landon  
Dr. Sergio Gonzalez-Arias and  
Mrs. Maria Morales-Gonzalez  
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I do solemnly swear by that which I hold most sacred;

That I will be loyal to the profession of medicine  
and just and generous to all;

That I will lead my life and practice my art  
in uprightness and honor;

That into whatsoever house I shall enter,  
it shall be for the good of the sick to the utmost of my power,  
I, myself aloof from wrong, from corruption,  
and from the temptation of others to vice;

That I will exercise my art solely for the cure of patients,  
and will give no drug, perform no operation for criminal purpose,  
even if solicited, and far less suggest such a thing.

That whatsoever I shall see or hear of the lives of others  
which is not fitting to be spoken,  
I will keep inviolably secret.

These things I do promise,  
and in proportion as I am faithful to this, my oath,  
may happiness and good repute be ever mine –  
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