

WHITE COAT CEREMONY

Doctor of Pharmacy
Class of 2028



Saturday, August 10, 2024
10:30 AM

UGA Performing Arts Center
Athens, GA



UNIVERSITY OF
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College of Pharmacy

The White Coat Ceremony

The faculty, staff, and administration of the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy are pleased to welcome the Class of 2028 as well as their families and friends to this important occasion. The annual White Coat Ceremony is a rite of passage that marks the beginning of a student's professional studies in the Doctor of Pharmacy program. While this is undoubtedly an exciting time for incoming students and their families, the White Coat Ceremony is a solemn occasion. As you celebrate with us today at the White Coat Ceremony, we ask that you honor the significance of this event as students formally and publicly accept the challenges that lie before them on their professional journey.

Today, students will wear their white coats for the first time and pledge their commitment to the lifestyle, attitudes and behaviors befitting a healthcare professional. Such a commitment involves effort, sacrifice, and dedication; it should not be entered into lightly. Worn to classes, labs and practical training experiences, the white coat serves as a constant reminder of the responsibilities our student pharmacists must embrace as critical members of healthcare teams whose primary concerns are the health, comfort and welfare of humanity.

During the next four years, your encouragement and enthusiasm will be invaluable to our students—your loved ones—as the path they have chosen is certainly not an easy one. We congratulate you and the incoming students on their dedication to a most worthwhile and satisfying profession. We look forward to getting to know our new class of students and enjoying their successes along the way.

Program

PROCESSIONAL

Audience please stand.

Led by Randall Tackett, Ph.D. '79
2023 Pharm.D. Teacher of the Year

WELCOME

Kelly M. Smith, Pharm.D. '92, '93
Dean

SPONSOR'S GREETING

DeeDee McEwen, Pharm.D. '99
Health and Wellness Pharmacy
Practice Coordinator
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Anthony Scott, Pharm.D. '10
Director of Pharmacy Services
Emory University Hospital

PRESENTATION OF WHITE COATS

Duc Do, Ph.D.
Assistant Dean for Student Affairs
Recitation Faculty Facilitators

RX DAWGS PLEDGE OF PROFESSIONALISM

Hunter Johnson, Pharm.D. Candidate '26
Chair, Dean's Student Advisory Council

CLOSING REMARKS

Andrew Darley, Pharm.D. '12
Director of Professional Education

RECESSIONAL

Audience please stand.

*A reception will immediately follow the ceremony at the
College of Pharmacy in the lobbies of the
Pharmacy South Building.*

Doctor of Pharmacy Students

Recitation Team 1

Stephanie Adebola
Isabella Baeten
Mackenzie Brown
Aimee Chung
Benjamin Cooper
Mallory Gleaton
Breagh MacKinnon
Mary McSwain
Gabriella Mendelowski
Kylie Ng
Emily Nguyen
Victoria Palucki
Varun Patel
Austin Schorey
Soroosh Sepehrara
David Sweeney
Nhat Vo
Anna Williams

Faculty Facilitator:

*Lori Duke, Pharm.D.,
Assistant Dean for Experience Programs*

Recitation Team 2

William Albright
Abigail Brown
Campbell Chambers
Samantha Chrusniak
Mariah Davis
Kinsey English
Katherine Fisher
Kamdyn Kasler
Lesley Knox
Jainie Lau
Kaylee Livingston
Anthony Luecker
Alexander McKeown
Amelia Nevin
Jemima Philip
William Souther
Dorothea Tecar
Vy Vu

Faculty Facilitators:

*William Huang, Pharm.D. '04,
Lecturer
Cathy White, Ph.D.,
Associate Professor*

Recitation Team 3

Peyton Chapman
Victoria Claps
Rachel Greiner
Caroline Grosch
Amanda Hall
Zoe Hernandez
Sarah Johnson
Joshua Kerlin
Grace J. Kim
Lindsey Kitchens
Emily Loveless
Kathryn Meyers
Bobby Steward
Kailee Stover
Abel Tadesse
Lauricee White
Karoline Wicker

Faculty Facilitator:

*Jason Zastre, Ph.D.,
Associate Professor*

Recitation Team 4

Reese Beeby
Stephanie Brown
Alma Cortez
Janiah Daniels
Wakyah Jackson
Conner Jessup
Evelyn Kakarlamudi
Sahith Kancharala
Ali Loggins
Toni Miller
Bayleigh Miller-Ulrich
Lexi Mohammed
Brianna Peacock
Alexa Rivera Cintron
Spencer Scheu
Harrison Stone
Philenroza Thavrin
Megan Tillery

Faculty Facilitator:

*Kay Brooks, M.Ed., R.Ph.,
Associate IPPE Director*

Recitation Team 5

Leonardo Asihene
Anvitha Bommineni
Caroline Bryson
Rachel Dawe
Perlie Do
Margaret Fawcett
Breanna Green
Zehra Halilic
Rachel Jones
Ghazal Khajoueinejad
Kara Martin
Hima Patel
Mallory Sakmar
Abigail Tolbert
Elizabeth Tran
Veronica Trinh
Hannah Tucker
Amazing Warren
Emily Whitaker

Faculty Facilitators:

*Virginia Fleming, Pharm.D. '06,
Clinical Associate Professor*

*Robin Southwood, Pharm.D.,
Clinical Associate Professor*

Recitation Team 6

Blaine Bowles
Carla Carillo
Katie Copenhaver
Kathryn Ellis
Emily Luc
Aahil Mamani
Carolyn McLean
Diego Melendez Arroyo
Madeline Mesaros
Karen Mouawad
Morgan Newton
Molly Nunn
Kelechi Nwakanma
Safiya Osmanova
Erick Palacios
Sarah Philip
Cassandra Rich
Alice Roby
Esha Sundrani

Faculty Facilitator:

*Wided Missaoui, Pharm.D., Ph.D. '18,
Clinical Assistant Professor*

Recitation Team 7

Alaina Callaway
Kelsey Castronova
Taylor Charles
Neil Desai
Hannah Doherty
James Hannafey
Landon Hansird
Aarav Jani
Chelsea Jeffers
Kaycee Kessler
Alli McQuaig
Sonita Mey
Brendan O'Connor
Joseph Olowoselu
Qyanna Porter
Chrissie Roque
Claire Seibert
Maxwell Shaughnessy
Zaynab Tely

Faculty Facilitator:

*Lindsey Welch, Pharm.D. '08,
APPE Director*

Recitation Team 8

Mary Alexander
Gemma-Nicole Aniezue
Sahar Anis Ali
Christopher Chandler
Greggory Freightman
Reeya Kabira
Grace H. Kim
Jocelyn Kosasi
Annabel Le
Yaw Manu
Skylar Mentz
Kiley Merritt
Bailey Oller
Alyssa Rouk
Chloe Smith
Nhi Trang
Elijah Waddell
Wyatt Woody

Faculty Facilitator:

*Michelle McElhannon, Pharm.D. '94, '95,
Public Service Assistant*

Rx Dawgs Pledge Of Professionalism

As a student pharmacist in the College of Pharmacy at the University of Georgia,

I am **Respectful**. I hold my patients, colleagues, and collaborators in esteem and value their knowledge and experiences regardless of their diverse culture, ethnicity, geographical location, or income. I recognize and heed the authority of my professors and preceptors.

I **eXceed** expectations in all that I do in the classroom, the laboratory, and in the professional arena. I am self-aware and committed to self-improvement, exhibiting leadership through my motivation and work ethic.

I am **Dependable**, virtuous, and discerning. I hold myself to the highest standards of academic integrity, ethical behavior, and legal conduct. I exercise sound judgment regarding my own self-image, and I protect the privacy of my patients.

I am an **Agent** of change. Through my flexibility and adaptability, I accept and promote innovations that improve patient care and health equity.

I am **Wise** and reflective. I consider the ways in which my skills, knowledge, and experience impact my colleagues and patients. I seek to apply my learning in authentic contexts and improve my practice.

I am **Genuine** in conversation and correspondence with faculty, staff, patients, and other healthcare professionals. My communication is effective because it is clear, honest, respectful, inclusive, and considers the diversity of those I serve.

I am **Service-oriented**. The health and welfare of all is my utmost concern. I am compassionate and empathetic; I promote and practice volunteerism to better serve others.

Together, we are **Rx DAWGS**, and we accept our obligation to continually improve our professional knowledge and competence in order to provide the best possible care for all our patients and to make positive contributions to our communities and our healthcare system.

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