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College of Pharmacy

*Honors Day  
Ceremony*

2019 – 2020

Health Professions Center  
Amphitheater 2  
WesternU Pomona Campus  
302 East Second Street  
Pomona, CA 91766

# *2020 Honors Day Ceremony*

## ***Honors Day Welcome***

**Daniel C. Robinson, PharmD**

*Dean, College of Pharmacy*

## ***Presentation of Student Recognition***

## ***Presentation of Scholarships and Awards***

## ***Presentation of Staff, Preceptor and Faculty Awards***

## ***Members of the College of Pharmacy***

## ***Scholarship Recognition and Awards Committee***

**Janice Hoffman, PharmD and David Min, PharmD**

Co-Chairs

**Eric Gupta, PharmD**

**Mario Jimenez, PharmD**

**Maria Lambros, PhD**

**David Pham, PharmD**

**Don Roosan, PharmD, PhD**

# *College of Pharmacy Student Recognition*

## ***Pomona Health Career Ladder Committee***

Volunteers organize and present workshops to educate local grade school children on the significance a pharmacist plays on a health care team and in the treatment of patients.

### ***PharmD 2020***

Sona Odabashyan  
Rita Semerjian  
Wilson Wong

### ***PharmD 2021***

Omar Innabi  
Varinder Kaur  
Keana Mendoza  
Justin Nam  
Han Nguyen  
Patricia Picazo  
Anthony Sengul  
Ibrahim Younis

### ***PharmD 2022***

Anh Dang  
Crystal Lao  
Jammie Luong  
Marlene Luu  
Susana Morales  
Yzabella Tabirara  
Debby Truong

### ***PharmD 2023***

Kellie Gong  
Steven Nguyen  
Anni Yu

### ***Medical Spanish Consultation Committee***

Volunteers organize and provide workshops on essential Spanish for pharmacy consultation for beginner, intermediate and advanced learners.

#### ***PharmD 2022***

Victoria Carpio Mera  
Priscilla Cuan  
Aura Gutierrez  
Alberto Guzman  
Bruno Martinez  
Susana Morales

#### ***PharmD 2023***

Leslie Banuelos  
Siria Medina  
Genesi Mendez  
Andrea Saenz  
Jose Zamora

### ***College of Pharmacy Academic Peer Mentors***

As part of the “Supporting Student Success (SSS)” program, student mentors volunteer to provide academic assistance to their peers who seek to improve performance in the classroom.

#### ***PharmD 2021***

Derick Galan

#### ***PharmD 2022***

Stephanie Lee  
Diana Roman

## ***Dean's Letter for Community Service Recognition***

Established to recognize students in the College of Pharmacy  
who are engaged in community service activities.

### ***PharmD 2020***

Jane Hsieh\*\*  
Ashley Jeong\*\*  
Yan Leung\*\*  
Shimona Menezes\*\*  
Michael Anthony Palaroan\*\*  
Kaitlyn Park\*\*  
Riddhi Patel\*\*  
Alan Quach\*\*  
Kinjalben Sharma\*\*  
HongKong Tran\*\*  
Christine Wong\*\*

### ***PharmD 2021***

Yvonne Alva\*\*  
Molly Bun\*  
Edison Escobar\*  
Kristine Esguerra\*  
Derick Galan\*  
Omar Innabi\*  
Varinder Kaur\*\*  
Zoey Le\*  
Lynna Le\*  
Timmy Luu\*  
Keana Mendoza\*  
Han Nguyen\*\*  
Nhu Nguyen\*  
Ngoc-Linh Nguyen\*  
So Eun Oh\*  
Alexander Ou\*\*  
Patricia Picazo\*\*  
Vineet Tatla  
Tom To\*  
Sylvia Uong\*  
Tina Vu\*  
Christine Vuong\*  
Ibrahim Younis\*  
Dominique Zatarain\*

### ***PharmD 2022***

Mariam Ahmed  
Raihanah Alavizadeh  
Lin Aye  
Paul Bae\*  
Stephanie Jill Bandera  
Naomi Banh  
Nathania Barrios  
Celia Boone\*  
Victoria Carpio Mera  
Joseph Anthony Castro  
Anthony Cuison  
Anish Dalal\*  
Anh Dang  
Tri Dang  
Stella Gee  
Phichkim In  
Haley Lam\*  
Crystal Lao\*  
Jazlyn Lum\*  
Jammie Luong\*  
Vivian Luu  
Tracy Ly  
Kevin Mancilla  
Bruno Martinez  
Susana Morales  
Aiden Nguyen\*  
Brandon Sainz  
Yzabella Tabirara  
Ivy Ton  
Thu Tran  
Debby Truong\*  
Jenny Truong\*  
Kim Vuong

### ***PharmD 2023***

Kellie Gong  
Christine Kim  
Victoria Navarro  
Katrina Nguyen  
Jeremiah Sabocor  
Anni Yu

\*Denotes two letters of service

\*\*Denotes tassel for three letters of service

## *The Dean's List*

Students selected from the top ten percent of each class for outstanding academics.

### *Spring Semester 2019*

#### *MSPS*

Logan Maples  
Angela Reinert  
Naga Jyothi Thumma

#### *PharmD 2021*

Afua Agyemang  
Jasmine Garcia  
Mariam Hambarzumyan  
Helena Hoang  
Ryan Lam  
Jenny Liu  
Larissa Navarro  
Christopher Nayar  
Mailyn Nguyen  
Dipali Parikh  
Anthony Sengul  
Tina Vu  
Diana Xie

#### *PharmD 2022*

Paul Bae  
Phichkim In  
Sora Kim  
Stephanie Lee  
Janay Lindstrom  
Qiuli Liu  
Heydie Nguyen  
Diana Roman  
Yzabella Tabirara  
Ivy Ton  
Ivy Tran  
Debby Truong  
Volha Yarashenka

### *Fall Semester 2019*

#### *MSPS*

Susan Ahmedyar  
Paulie Dang  
Yi-Chun Lin  
Jenny Tran

#### *PharmD 2021*

Afua Agyemang  
Reem Aljanabi  
Derick Galan  
Jasmine Garcia  
Mariam Hambarzumyan  
Helena Hoang  
Ryan Lam  
Justin Nam  
Mailyn Nguyen  
Newriza Opoku Frimpong  
Tina Vu  
Diana Xie

#### *PharmD 2022*

Taylor Ackling  
Naomi Banh  
Phichkim In  
Janay Lindstrom  
Qiuli Liu  
Heydie Nguyen  
Diana Roman  
Shahad Saadi  
Dai Thai  
Ivy Tran  
My Tran  
Debby Truong  
Jia Yu Wong  
Volha Yarashenka

#### *PharmD 2023*

Leslie Banuelos  
Jun Chen  
Sophia Dang  
Keysi Ekmekciyan  
Destiny Farihi  
Christian Justin Lee  
Xuemei Li  
Nguyen Nguyen  
Tiffany Nguyen  
Mia Tay  
Anni Yu  
Samantha Yum

# *College of Pharmacy Scholarships and Awards*

## ***A Tribute to Caring Scholarship***

Awarded to students who have demonstrated high academic achievement, have shown high attributes of compassion and community service, and have demonstrated commitment to caring.

Adwoa Baidoo-Williams, PharmD 2021

Lanie Mendoza, PharmD 2023

Sharon Trung, PharmD 2023

Jia Yu Wong, PharmD 2021

## ***Albertsons Safeway Scholarship***

Awarded to students who have a strong interest in pursuing a career in community pharmacy practice.

Sarah Palomera, PharmD 2020

Carolyn Pham, PharmD 2020

Vineet Tatla, PharmD 2021

## ***Dr. Robert L. and Mrs. Gloria Austin Scholarship***

Awarded to students who intend to practice in a health-system setting.

HongKong Tran, PharmD 2020

***California Korean American Pharmacists Association  
Scholarship Endowment***

Awarded to students who demonstrate outstanding service and leadership to the community, the University and academic or professional societies.

Ellen Kang, PharmD 2021

***Cardinal Health Pharmacy Scholarship***

Awarded to students who have a strong interest in pursuing a career in independent community pharmacy.

Chloe Chng, PharmD 2020

Fadi Hasso, PharmD 2020

Anthony Torossian, PharmD 2020

***CVS Health Foundation Pharmacy School Grants  
Program Scholarship***

Awarded to students who have a strong interest in pursuing a career in community pharmacy practice and who volunteer their time with an organization that supports underserved populations.

Alison Agustin, PharmD 2020

Christopher Dominguez, PharmD 2023

Aura Gutierrez, PharmD 2022

Anika Hague, PharmD 2020

Michelle Kwok, PharmD 2021

Gnessi Mendez, PharmD 2023

Sabrina Nguyen, PharmD 2023

Brandon Sainz, PharmD 2022

Dai Thai, PharmD 2022



### ***Dean's Endowment Scholarship***

Awarded to students in the fourth year who have demonstrated service or advocacy for the profession of pharmacy while attending WesternU.

Bao Ho, PharmD 2020  
Cinny Wong, PharmD 2020

### ***Dean's Merit Scholarship***

Awarded to incoming students that have demonstrated high standards of achievement in academics, show model attributes of compassion and community service.

LeRoi de-Souza, PharmD 2023  
Christopher Dominguez, PharmD 2023  
Emily Koo, PharmD 2023  
Lynn Lam, PharmD 2023  
Xuemei Li, PharmD 2023  
Reza Mahani, PharmD 2023  
Siria Medina, PharmD 2023  
Nguyen Nguyen, PharmD 2023  
Quinson Nguyen, PharmD 2023  
Mia Tay, PharmD 2023  
Yenyen Tran, PharmD 2023  
Quang Tran, PharmD 2023  
Claudia Verzosa, PharmD 2023  
Yanting Wu, PharmD 2023  
Michael Yu, PharmD 2023  
Anni Yu, PharmD 2023

***Drs. Sumit and Bhavesh Desai Scholarship Endowment***

Awarded to students who have a strong interest in pursuing a career  
in independent community pharmacy.

Vineet Tatla, PharmD 2021

***East West Scholarship***

Awarded to students based on academic achievement and community volunteer work.

\*Stephanie Lee, PharmD 2022

Tiffany Nguyen, PharmD 2023

\*\*Gabrielle Szczablowski, PharmD 2022

Vineet Tatla, PharmD 2021

HongKong Tran, PharmD 2020

\*Melinda Mah Memorial Scholarship Recipient

\*\*Melanie S. Lim Endowed Scholarship Recipient

***GNP/ICP Endowed Scholarship***

Awarded to students who have an interest in pursuing a career in  
independent community pharmacy.

Vineet Tatla, PharmD 2021

***Hoffman Family Leadership Endowed Scholarship***

Awarded to a student who has an interest in pursuing  
a career in pharmacy leadership.

Vineet Tatla, PharmD 2021

***Indian Pharmacists Association Scholarship Endowment***

Awarded to students who demonstrate outstanding service and leadership to the  
community, the University and academic or professional societies.

Dipali Parikh, PharmD 2021

***Ralphs Pharmacy Scholarship***

Awarded to students that demonstrate leadership  
involvement in community pharmacy.

Derick Galan, PharmD 2021

***Dr. Sam Shimomura Scholarship Endowment***

Awarded to students who have a strong interest in pursuing a career  
in health-system and/or geriatric practice pharmacy.

Sarah Palomera, PharmD 2020

***The Thai Family Endowed Scholarship***

Awarded to students who have a strong interest in pursuing a career in community pharmacy.

Sarah Palomera, PharmD 2020

***Dr. Fidel Valenzuela Scholarship Endowment***

Awarded to students that demonstrate leadership involvement in managed care pharmacy.

Kim Vuong, PharmD 2022

***Vietnamese Pharmacists Association (VPhA in the USA) Scholarship***

Awarded to students who demonstrate outstanding service and leadership to the community, the University and academic or professional societies.

Naomi Banh, PharmD 2022

Carolyn Pham, PharmD 2020

***Walgreens Diversity and Inclusion Excellence Scholarship***

Awarded to students who have an interest in community pharmacy, embrace diversity and promote diversity and inclusion initiatives on campus or represent an underrepresented minority group.

Sandy Gammo, PharmD 2021

***Dean's Award***

Presented to graduates for academic excellence.

Seul Ji Chang, PharmD 2020

Ashley Jeong, PharmD 2020

*College of Pharmacy*  
*Staff, Preceptor and Faculty Awards*

***Staff Service Award***

Awarded to College of Pharmacy staff members who have provided outstanding service to the College.

Jennifer Park

*Budget and Operations Assistant*

Jennifer Sandoval

*Student Services Assistant*

***Faculty Service Awards***

Awarded to paid faculty who have provided outstanding service to the College of Pharmacy.

Micah Hata, PharmD

*Associate Professor, Pharmacy Practice and Administration*

Kabirullah Lutfy, PhD

*Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences*

David J. Sanchez, PhD

*Associate Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences*

Emmanuelle Schwartzman, PharmD

*Associate Professor, Pharmacy Practice and Administration*

***Preceptors of the Year Award***

Awarded to recognize paid and volunteer College of Pharmacy faculty preceptors for their excellence in teaching students during their clerkships.

Thong Dong, PharmD

*Rite Aid, Rancho Cucamonga, CA*

Grace Lee, PharmD

*Children's Hospital of Orange County, Orange, CA*

Tammy Tang, PharmD

*Glendale Memorial Hospital, Glendale, CA*

Anne Kugler, PharmD

*St. Mary Medical Center, Long Beach, CA*

## ***Teachers of the Year***

Awarded to a College of Pharmacy faculty members who exhibit excellence in teaching within the professional pharmacy curriculum.

Patrick Chan, PharmD, PhD

*Associate Professor, Pharmacy Practice and Administration*

David Sanchez, PhD

*Associate Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences*

