2023 Commencement

The University of Texas at Austin
School of Nursing
THE CORE PURPOSE OF THE UNIVERSITY
To transform lives for the benefit of society

OUR CORE VALUES

LEARNING
A caring community, all of us students, helping one another grow

DISCOVERY
Expanding knowledge and human understanding

FREEDOM
To seek the truth and express it

LEADERSHIP
The will to excel with integrity and the spirit that nothing is impossible

INDIVIDUAL OPPORTUNITY
Many options, diverse people and ideas, one university

RESPONSIBILITY
To serve as a catalyst for positive change in Texas and beyond
LETTER FROM THE DEAN

Congratulations to all University of Texas at Austin School of Nursing students who are graduating today and to the parents, partners, family and friends who have sustained you through this program and to this end. Commencement is a ritual that honors all that you have accomplished. It’s a day of celebration — of your passion for learning and your commitment to serving others as nurses.

The School of Nursing represents a strong and extraordinary community of excellent students, dedicated faculty and staff, and supportive alumni and friends — all committed to addressing the many significant health care challenges of the 21st century through education, research and service. As a part of this remarkable community, you have worked hard, and the world will be a better place because you have learned how to apply knowledge to both new and age-old health care issues and to bring better information to bear on the problems around you.

As a part of the University of Texas community, you have taken on a responsibility to seek positive change in Texas and beyond and become a leader with integrity. You understand the importance of guaranteeing freedom for all and individual opportunities that embrace diverse people and ideas. You have, in short, learned and discovered and grown.

Today we send you out into the world to make a difference. I am deeply impressed with the energy that you bring to the nursing profession, and I value the intellectual commitment and life experience that you will contribute to the delivery of health care in the 21st century. I know I speak for everyone at the School of Nursing when I say I am honored to be associated with you.

Alexa K. Stuifbergen, PhD, RN, FAAN
Dean
Laura Lee Blanton Chair in Nursing
James R. Dougherty, Jr., Centennial Professor in Nursing
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERS
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INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERS
Alexa K. Stuifbergen, PhD, RN, FAAN
Dean

GRADUATE STUDENT SPEAKER
Allison Ferro
Graduating PhD student

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SPEAKER
Marrissa M. Rawls
Graduating BSN student

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Danica Fulbright Sumpter, PhD, RN, CNE
Clinical Associate Professor

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Ariana Pauline Thomas  
Megan Tragesser  
Lynn Tran  
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Migdalia Vazquez*  
Kevin Zhang  

UNDERGRADUATE HONORS PROJECTS

Jose Escobar  
The Influence of Cognitive Ability on Heart Failure Self-Care Using Digital Health Interventions: A Case Study  
Kavita Radhakrishnan, PhD, MSEE, RN, FAAN, Faculty Mentor

Grace Emily Ganucheau  
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Heather Cuevas, PhD, APRN, ACNS-BC, FCNS, Faculty Mentor

Brianna Garza  
Professional Self-Concept of Students in Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program  
Li-Chen Lin, PhD, RN, CNRN

Chibuzo Ugonma Irene Igweh  
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Chris Abbyad, PhD, RN, WHNP, Faculty Mentor

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Huy Vo Le  
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Lynn Rew, EdD, RN, AHN-BC, FAAN, Faculty Mentor

Crystal Hoang Luong  
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Yang Li, PhD, RN, Faculty Mentor

Michelle Monroe  
*Paid Personal Assistance for Individuals With Longstanding MS in the Community*
Heather Becker, PhD, Faculty Mentor

Tobechukwu Phillips  
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Aubree Michele Rooney  
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Alexandra Garcia, PhD, RN, FAAN, Faculty Mentor

Migdalia Vazquez  
*Older Adults’ Use of Healthcare Technology: Their Preferences, Barriers, and Motivations*
Linda H. Yoder, PhD, MBA, RN, AOCN, FAAN, Faculty Mentor

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

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