

THE CLASS OF 2018

Abraham, Kathryn Magee
Abraham, Paul George
Abumoussa, Andrew Lateef
Adams, Katherine Nicole
Affleck, Arthur George
Aghaulor, Blessing Rosemary
Andrews, Erica Brecht
Antonelli, Ray Gallagher
Appiagyei, Ashley Abena
Applegate, Kevin Arthur
Ayrapetyan, Mesrop
Bermúdez, Ana Laura
Bhatti, Khadijah Zafar
Blair, Jason Patrick
Blew, Kathryn Ann
Bounajim, Carol Bashir
Bradley, Ryan Matthew
Braswell, Matthew Joel
Broadhurst, Richard Oldfield
Brown, Celeste Aurora
Burks, Collin Elizabeth
Cadmus, Simi Daisy
Campbell, Thane Robert
Carpenter-Carter, Spencer Vaughn
Caulkins, Hamilton Read
Chen, Hannah
Claytor, Jennifer Davis
Connelly, Katherine Marie
Cooper, John David
Courts, Kevin André
Cowden, Christopher Sean
Cox, Lauren Kathleen
Cummings, Allison Grace
Cummings, Natalie Dawn
Cunningham, Daryl Maria
Cunningham, Michael Montana
Day, Danielle Elizabeth
DeFelice, Dominick Sam
du Pisanie, Johannes Lourens
Dumberger, Lukas David
Dyson, Mark Stradley
Epps, Caleb Tyler
Ezekwe, Ejiofor Anthony Darrell
Fenu, Elena Margaret
Fie, Taylor Anne
Field, Christine Post
Fisher, Jake Alexander
Frempong Jr., Stephen Kwame
Frush, Benjamin Wade
Frush, Daniel Jack
Furr, Noah Lee
Geddings, Julia Elizabeth*
Geisz, Matthew Steven
Gitt, Joseph Hobson
Goins, Allie Elizabeth
Gonzalez, Michael Anthony
Gordon, Brittaney Elizabeth
Graham, Conner Scott
Greenberg, Michael Richard
Guadagni, Elizabeth McCutcheon*
Gunnell, Elias Taylor

Guthikonda, Athidi
Guzman, Herodes Garzon
Hansen, Jason Stuart
Harford, Joshua Stephen
Harmon, Evan Kenneth
Harris, Sarah Cunningham
Hayes, Stephen Eric
He, Jean Jinpeng
Hedgpeth, Stuart Lucas
Heman-Ackah, Sabrina Mahalia
Hoekstra, Nadia Eritrea
Holewa, Colleen Marie*
Holway, Haley Elizabeth
Huang, Kevin Zachary
Hunter, Dylan James
Husain, Aamir
Hutto, Alissa Harriet
Iskander, Christopher Samuel
Jaswaney, Rahul Vikram
Jefferson, Malcolm Tyrone
Johnson, Savion D'Vontai
Jones, Hannah Millard
Jones, Lori Michael
Kim, Mi Mi
Koller, Christopher Raymond
Laird, Jonathan Ross
Lateef, Shahmeer Danish
Le, Thanh-Tam Thi
Lee, Katherine Ann
Lewis, Scott Marshall
Long, Tiffany Darlene
Lopez, Christine Renee
Macdougall, Jessica Dale
Mbonu, Collins
McCuddy, Michaela Styrcula
McKinnish, Tyler Ryan
McRary, Graham Philip
Meade, Megan Elizabeth
Melehani, Jason Hesham
Melvin, Jon Kyle
Meyers, Matthew Hamilton
Mian, Michael Altaf
Miller, Andrew Kipling
Miller, Sean Michael
Moreland III, George Wiley Clinton*
Mulvaney, Graham Garfield
Nakamura, Ayumi
Nebolisa, Bo Chigozie
Nedrud, Marybeth Anderson
Neitzke, Katherine Marie
Nguyen, Minh Hoang
Niblock, Franklin Chalmers
Noah, Hannah Helton
Notini, Patrick Richard
Panzer, Alexis Jaymee
Parobek, Christian Michael
Patel, Nikita Yogesh
Peacock, Marquis DeShawn
Perrin, Jacob Emerson
Pham, Matthew*
Platner, Alexander Solomon

Pollard, Katharine Mary
Poplin, Matthew James
Powers, Eric Redmon
Powierza, Camilla Sylvia
Pozner, Jonathan Samuel
Principe Marrero, Stephanie Marie
Rastas, Charlotte Emily
Reiter, Audra Joyce
Richardville, Kyle Craig
Robinson, Michael Kolinski
Robinson, Shannon Jean
Roper-Cartier, Michael Peter
Rose, Lindsey Marie
Rummings, Wayne Anthony
Sample, Katherine Morgan
Santos-Sanchez, Idalys
Saunders, Eleanor Farley
Schaffer, David Harris
Schroeder, Katherine Sheppard
Shay, Rosemary Larkin
Shen, Mary Rebecca
Smith, Charles Tyler
Snyder, Patrick Drexel
Stone, Jennifer Leah
Street, Sarah Elizabeth
Suder, John Michael
Taus, Patrick Jonathan
Taylor, Warren Michael
Thomas, Arielle Charleen
Thompson, Aaron Bradley
Thompson, Garrett Sever
Toma, Helen Valerie
Tran, Eric
Tsai, Perry Meng-che
Usala, Michelle
Varunok, Nicholas James
Venkatesan, Janitra
Wang, Xiangyu
Warmack, Tyler Carry
Waters, Alexa Michelle
Webb, Alexi-rae Ellington
Wei, Trent Lee
Weinberg, Marc
Wilkinson, Nicholas Andrew
Wilson, Spencer Burton
Wong, Tammy Chin
Wong, Terrence Yum-Yeu
Woollens, Karli Anne
Woollens, Lyman Polk
Wooten, Melissa Rolfsen
Wooten, Nathaniel Gray
Xiao, Mona
Yang, Betsy
Yechoor, Alekhya
Yim, Eunice
Young, Everett Glenn
Zhan, Senmiao
Zhang, Xinxin

**December graduate*

The 2018 Commencement Program

**Presiding: William L. Roper, M.D., M.P.H.
Dean, University of North Carolina School of Medicine**

PRELUDE

*PROCESSIONAL

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION William L. Roper, M.D., M.P.H.

ADDRESS BY CO-PRESIDENTS OF THE SENIOR CLASS:

Andreas Antono, Class of 2019

Kevin Applegate, Class of 2018

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER A. Wesley Burks, M.D.

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS Alice D. Ma, M.D.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS, HOODS, AND ALUMNI CERTIFICATES:

Recognition of Graduates Georgette A. Dent, M.D.

Conferring of Hoods Cedric Bright, M.D., FACP
Alice Chuang, M.D., M.Ed., FACOG
Kenya McNeal-Trice, M.D.

Presentation of Alumni Certificates.....Katrina H. Avery, M.D.; Wesley C. Fowler, Jr., M.D.

REMARKS ABOUT THE CLASS OF 2018 Julie S. Byerley, M.D., M.P.H.

COMMISSIONING OF MILITARY OFFICERS Commander J. Mark Bauserman
Distinguished Commanding Officer of the U.S. Fleet Forces
Naval Cooperation and Guidance for Shipping in Houston, Texas

THE UNC ALMA MATER: HARK THE SOUNDClass and Audience led by MedUNCedoos
(Lyrics may be found on inside of back page.)

THE OATH OF HIPPOCRATES Class of 2018 led by William L. Roper, M.D., M.P.H.

*RECESSIONAL

POSTLUDE

***Guests: please stand for the processional and recessional**

*Immediately following the ceremony, please join us for a light reception
outside the front doors of Memorial Hall and to the left.*

**HONORS AND AWARDS
GRADUATING CLASS OF 2018**

These awards represent some of the many awards and honors received by members of the Class of 2018.

Dual Degree Recipients:

M.D./Doctor of Philosophy

Ejiofor Ezekwe	Julia Geddings	Sabrina Heman-Ackah
Jason Melehani	Ayumi Nakamura	Marybeth Nedrud
Christian Parobek	Patrick Taus	Perry Tsai

M.D./Master of Public Health or Master of Science in Public Health

Kathryn Abraham	Blessing Aghaulor	Ray Antonelli	Ryan Bradley	Richard Broadhurst
Danielle Day	Taylor Fie	Christine Field	Herodes Guzman	Christopher Iskander
Mi Mi Kim	Bo Nebolisa	Franklin Niblock	Hannah Noah	Audra Reiter
Michael Robinson	Eleanor Saunders	Arielle Thomas	Garrett Thompson	Helen Toma
Eric Tran	Tyler Warmack	Alexi-rae Webb	Everett Young	

M.D./Master of Business Administration

Alexander Plattner	Patrick Snyder	Mona Xiao
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M.D./Master of Global Health Spencer Wilson

M.D./Master of Christian Studies Benjamin Frush, Andrew Miller

M.D./Master of Science Charlotte Rastas

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society: Founded in 1902, AOA is the national medical honor society which recognizes those medical students in the academic top twenty-five percent of the class who have demonstrated significant levels of research, service and/or leadership.

Erica Andrews	Kathryn Blew	Richard Broadhurst*
Collin Burks	Hannah Chen*	Jennifer Claytor
Lukas Dumberger*	Christine Field	Noah Furr
Jonathan Laird	Christine Lopez	Tyler McKinnish
Michael Mian	Matthew Meyers	Marybeth Nedrud
Alexis Panzer	Nikita Patel	Jacob Perrin
Audra Reiter	Katherine Sample*	Katherine Schroeder*
Sarah Street*	Helen Toma	Nicholas Varunok*
Alexa Waters	Trent Wei	Marc Weinberg
	Karli Woollens*	

**Elected junior year*

Alan W. Cross Social Medicine Paper Award Jennifer Claytor, Eric Tran

American Academy of Neurology's Medical Student Prize for Excellence in Neurology Nathaniel Wooten

American Medical Women's Association Glasgow Rubin Commendations for Academic Achievement

Erica Andrews	Kathryn Blew	Hannah Chen
Allie Goins*	Jean He	Alexis Panzer
Katherine Sample	Sarah Street	Karli Woollens

**First in Class*

Brett J. Pearce and Lauren K. Brown Memorial Award Benjamin Frush
Cecil G. Sheps Award in Social Medicine Jennifer Claytor
Christopher C. Fordham III Student Award Celeste Brown
David A. Mayberry Award Collin Burks
Deborah C. Leary Award Xinxin Zhang
Family Medicine Student Award Lindsey Rose
F.I.R.S.T. Scholars Thane Campbell, Jon Melvin
Frank Lee Dameron Award Ray Antonelli, Franklin Niblock, Michael Robinson, Michael Roper-Cartier
Gilbert J. Cuthbertson, M.D. & Megan C. Danton, M.D. Memorial Award Lauren Cox
George C. Thrasher, Jr. Award Alissa Hutto
George F. Sheldon, M.D. Award for Excellence in Surgery Audra Reiter

Gold Humanism Honor Society

Andrew Abumoussa	Ashley Appiagyei	Ana Bermúdez
Khadijah Bhatti	Kathryn Blew	Carol Bounajim
Matthew Braswell	Richard Broadhurst	Collin Burks
Hannah Chen	Johannes du Pisanie	Benjamin Frush
Noah Furr	Christopher Koller	Thanh-Tam Le
Katherine Lee	Tyler McKinnish	Katherine Neitzke
Camilla Powierza	John Suder	Lyman Woollens
	Melissa Wooten	

Harold C. Pillsbury Student Research Awards

Katherine Adams John Cooper Johannes du Pisanie Julia Geddings Ayumi Nakamura Marybeth Nedrud

Heusner Pupil Awards

Richard Broadhurst	Benjamin Frush	Christopher Iskander
Katherine Neitzke	Camilla Powierza	Sarah Street
Eric Tran	Nicholas Varunok	Janitra Venkatesan

Howard Holderness Distinguished Medical Scholars

Allie Goins Brittaney-Belle Gordon Elias Gunnell Tyler McKinnish Eric Powers

Isaac Hall Manning Award Christian Parobek

James Bell Bullitt Award Sarah Street

J. Rush Shull, M.D. Scholarships..... Kevin Courts, Matthew Geisz

June C. Allcott Fellowship..... Kathryn Abraham, Kathryn Blew

Kenan Rural/Urban Primary Care Medical Scholars

Jason Blair	Lauren Cox	Joseph Gitt	Conner Graham	Michaela McCuddy
Katherine Neitzke	Lindsey Rose	Aaron Thompson	Janitra Venkatesan	Melissa Wooten

Lawrence Zollicoffer-Alan Cross Fellowship Lori Jones, Marquis Peacock, Melissa Wooten

Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Student Award.....Ashley Appiagyei
presented by **The Arnold P. Gold Foundation**

Lucius Blanchard Carolina Family Loyalty Fund Scholars...Blessing Aghaulor, Dominick DeFelice, Jean He

Medical Alumni Loyalty Fund Scholars

Kathryn Abraham	Erica Andrews	Ashley Appiagyei
Ana Bermúdez	Kathryn Blew	Richard Broadhurst
Celeste Brown	Collin Burks	Hannah Chen
Johannes du Pisanie	Christine Field	Benjamin Frush
Joseph Gitt	Herodes Guzman	Christopher Iskander
Savion Johnson	Mi Mi Kim	Tyler McKinnish
Matthew Meyers	Michael Mian	Sean Miller
Marquis Peacock	Alexander Plattner	Camilla Powierza
Audra Reiter	Katherine Sample	Patrick Snyder
Sarah Street	Nicholas Varunok	Janitra Venkatesan
Trent Wei	Marc Weinberg	Melissa Wooten

Merck Manual Awards.....Alexander Plattner, Perry Tsai, Trent Wei, Melissa Wooten

Michiko Kuno Award for Excellence in Student Research..... Matthew Meyers

NC Rural Promise Scholars

Ray Antonelli	Kevin Applegate	Thane Campbell	Lauren Cox	Joseph Gitt
Haley Holway	Michaela McCuddy	Jon Melvin	Marquis Peacock	Katharine Pollard
	Lindsey Rose	Aaron Thompson	Lyman Woollens	

Patricia S. White Distinguished Public Service in Medicine Award Melissa Wooten

Paul F. Lachiewicz Award for Orthopaedics.....Scott Lewis

Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (Physiatry) Excellence AwardGraham McRary

Primary Care & Population Health Scholars

Erica Andrews	Ray Antonelli	Jason Blair	Richard Broadhurst	Allison Cummings
Katherine Lee	Jessica Macdougall	Michaela McCuddy	Franklin Niblock	Michael Robinson
Eleanor Saunders	Katherine Schroeder	Eric Tran	Alexa Waters	

**Society for Academic Emergency Medicine's
Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award**.....Michael Mian

Stone Travel FellowsCeleste Brown, Katherine Connelly, Alexander Plattner, Helen Toma

United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Award.....Kathryn Abraham

William deB. MacNider Award Blessing Aghaulor, Khadijah Bhatti, Melissa Wooten

William Hersey Davis ScholarshipKatherine Sample

FACULTY AND HOUSE STAFF AWARDS

Henry C. Fordham AwardAlex Despotes, M.D.
Resident
UNC Hospitals Internal Medicine Residency Program

Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Faculty AwardMarco Alemán, M.D.
presented by The Arnold P. Gold Foundation Professor of Medicine
Division of General Medicine and Clinical Epidemiology

Professor Award.....Edward Kernick, D.P.M.
Associate Professor
Department of Cell Biology and Physiology

The Oath of Hippocrates*

I do solemnly swear by all I hold most sacred:

- That I will be loyal to the profession of medicine and act justly toward its members;
- That I will lead my life and practice my art with virtue and honor;
- That into whatsoever home I shall enter, it shall be for the good of the sick and the well, by the utmost of my power, and that I will hold myself aloof from wrong and from corruption and from the tempting of others to vice;
- That I will exercise my art solely for the benefit of my patients, the relief of suffering, the prevention of disease and the promotion of health, and I will give no drug and perform no act for an immoral purpose;
- That in the treatment of the sick, I will consider their well-being to be of greater importance than their ability to compensate my services;
- That I will be a faithful guardian of trust whose stewardship of secrets is beyond reproach; and
- That I will commit myself to a lifetime of continued learning of the art and science of medicine.

These things I do promise and, in proportion as I am faithful to this oath, may happiness and good repute be ever mine, but should I trespass and violate this oath, may the reverse be my lot.

*This oath was revised by The University of North Carolina, School of Medicine, Chapel Hill, Class of 2002

CLASS OF 2018 SENIOR AWARDS

STUDENT DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

Emergency Medicine: Society for Academic Emergency Medicine's Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award is given each year to an outstanding student in this specialty, and the recipient is selected by the Department of Emergency Medicine.

Family Medicine: Family Medicine Student Award is given each year to a medical student in recognition of his or her accomplishments and dedication to the ideals of family medicine. The recipient is chosen on the basis of his or her embodiment of the principles of family medicine, service, intention of practicing family medicine, and overall scholarship.

Neurology: American Academy of Neurology's Medical Student Prize for Excellence in Neurology recognizes graduating medical students for excellence in clinical neurology. The UNC recipient is selected by faculty in the Department of Neurology.

Orthopaedics: Paul F. Lachiewicz Award for Orthopaedics recognizes clinical or research achievement and is given each year to a student who matched into an orthopaedic residency program.

Pediatrics: David A. Mayberry Award is given to the graduating senior who, during any period of clinical training within the Department of Pediatrics, has demonstrated exceptional human qualities and clinical scholarship in the care of children with cancer. A special faculty committee selects the recipient each year.

Physiatry: Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Excellence Award was created by Founding Chair Dr. Michael Y. Lee in honor of his parents, Drs. Michael M. and Shrine G. Lee, and recognizes and honors the senior medical student who demonstrates the exemplary qualities necessary to care for persons with physical disabilities. An exemplary physiatrist is caring, compassionate, and has a genuine interest in improving each patient's quality of life and function. The recipient is selected by faculty and residents of the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

Psychiatry: George C. Thrasher, Jr. Award was established in 1965 by the UNC Department of Psychiatry in honor of the memory of Dr. Thrasher, a faculty member in Psychiatry who played a major role in teaching medical students, and is given to the member of the graduating class who, during his or her medical school experience, showed the most outstanding performance and ability in Psychiatry.

Social Medicine: Cecil G. Sheps Award in Social Medicine was established in 1987 in honor of Dr. Sheps, former Distinguished Professor Emeritus of the UNC Department of Social Medicine, and recognizes a fourth year medical student selected by the Department of Social Medicine who demonstrates academic excellence and practical commitment to the principles of Social Medicine.

Surgery: George F. Sheldon, M.D. Award is named for George F. Sheldon, M.D., Professor of Surgery and Chair of the UNC Department of Surgery from 1984-2001, and was established to honor a member of the graduating class who demonstrated excellence in surgery.

STUDENT AWARDS FOR HUMANISM IN MEDICINE

Brett J. Pearce and Lauren K. Brown Memorial Award: Brett and Lauren were treasured classmates through whose strength of character and courage in the face of illness inspired those who knew them to be better people and better doctors. The Class of 2004 created this award to honor a senior medical student who shares their qualities of generosity, compassion, dedication to service and unwavering commitment to high ideals. Selected by classmates, these seniors have made a significant contribution to the education and personal growth of their peers.

Gilbert J. Cuthbertson, M.D. & Megan C. Danton, M.D. Memorial Award: The Class of 1983 established this award to honor two physicians, husband and wife, who died in a plane crash in 1988. Graduating students nominate classmates who exhibit the personal qualities of these two doctors, including caring for others, an ability to make people smile, joy in living, and in particular a quiet compassion for all humankind.

Gold Humanism Award: This award is made possible by a grant from the Arnold P. Gold Foundation, and honors medical students for their demonstrated excellence in clinical care, leadership, compassion, and dedication to service.

Heusner Pupil Awards: Established in 1964 by the family and colleagues of Dr. A. Price Heusner, Professor of Surgery at NC Memorial Hospital (1952-1956) and Professor of Anatomy at the UNC School of Medicine (1956-1963), this award provides a scholarship for members of the fourth year class who best exemplify qualities displayed by Dr. Heusner during his career as a physician, teacher, husband, and father: a capacity to grasp the principles of science, to demonstrate concern for the moral welfare of human beings, to heal the sick, to comfort the troubled, and to be humble. The recipient is honored for meritorious character and potential and is selected by a committee that includes member(s) of the medical school faculty and class.

Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award presented by The Arnold P. Gold Foundation: The Arnold P. Gold Foundation makes it possible for this award to be presented to one senior who integrates humanism into the delivery of care to patients and their families, and who consistently demonstrates compassion and empathy in the delivery of care, shows respect for all, demonstrates cultural sensitivity, displays effective listening and communication skills, adheres to professional ethical standards, understands patients' need for interpretation of complex medical diagnoses while showing respect for patients' viewpoints, pays attention to patients' psychological well-being, engenders trust and confidence, and remains personally committed to self-evaluation. The recipient has helped others and accepted help from others when necessary, engaged in volunteer activities showing concern for the welfare of the community, and sought and accepted criticism for improvement of his or her performance. Students are nominated by faculty and classmates.

Patricia S. White Distinguished Public Service in Medicine Award: In the footsteps of Dr. White's exemplary leadership of the Charlotte Longitudinal Curriculum Program, a medical student at the Charlotte Campus of the UNC School of Medicine is honored for his or her compassion, care for the underserved and selfless humanism through volunteerism, leadership, and service to the community.

William deB. MacNider Award: Created by the sophomore Class of 1950, this award is given to sophomore student(s) who possess intangible traits, as did Dr. MacNider, of good character including personal integrity, a sincere and genuine interest in the lives of others, a willingness to help at all times, humility, a cheerful attitude, and friendliness to all.

William Hersey Davis Scholarship: In remembrance of a remarkable physician, daughter and son-in-law Pamela and George Leight, M.D. established this award to honor 50 years of Dr. Davis' teaching, research, and practice in North Carolina, and awards it annually to a fourth year medical student who exhibits the qualities of compassion, high moral standards, and ethical values, and who plans to specialize in pediatrics.

STUDENTS AWARDS FOR LEADERSHIP AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Christopher C. Fordham III Award: This award was established in honor of Dr. Fordham for his outstanding and creative leadership in medical and higher education, as former dean of the medical school, vice chancellor for Health Affairs, and a chancellor of the University. This award recognizes graduating students for outstanding and creative leadership at the medical school. Nominations are solicited from the chairs of the departments based on their faculty's recommendations, from members of the senior class, and from senior class advisors.

Frank Lee Dameron Award: Established by the Class of 1975, this award is in memory of their classmate and recognizes his achievement as a medical student and commitment to return to his home town in a medically underserved area of the state. Recipients commit to practice primary care in an underserved area of NC.

James Bell Bullitt Award: Given for the first time in 1962, this award honors Dr. Bullitt, formerly a professor of Pathology, who was a member of the faculty of the School of Medicine from 1913 to 1947. Consistent with Dr. Bullitt's contributions to the School of Medicine, this award provides an opportunity for recognizing unusual achievements or contributions to the medical school community by a member of the senior class who is nominated by his or her classmates.

Merck Manual Award: Each year, the Merck Publishing Group offers the Merck Manual Award to outstanding medical students. The qualifications for the award are at the discretion of the School of Medicine. At UNC, the award is given to graduating students based on contributions to the medical school community. The staff members in the Office of Student Affairs and the Admissions Office select the recipients.

STUDENT AWARDS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

J. Rush Shull, M.D. Scholarship: This award is given to a graduating senior who has demonstrated a commitment to community service, and will be entering a primary care residency program in North Carolina.

June C. Allcott Fellowship: This award is given annually to a medical student based on his or her sustained excellence and commitment to community service.

United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Award: This award was created by the United States Public Health Service (USPHS) to inspire medical students to commit themselves to public health and to become leaders in the field.

Zollicoffer-Cross Community Health Fellowship: This fellowship is given to encourage students to learn about health issues of importance to minorities and underserved communities through a self-designed service project.

STUDENT AWARDS FOR SCHOLARSHIP

Alan W. Cross Social Medicine Paper Award: This annual award is given to the best scholarly paper, essay, fictional or artistic work by a student for a Social Medicine class assignment, recognizing excellent writing that epitomizes integration of clinical and social thinking, applies social science and humanities perspectives to medicine, and represents creative efforts to convey experiences of patients, physicians and others related to health, illness or treatment.

Deborah C. Leary Award: Established in 1958, this award honors Deborah Cushing Leary, M.D., Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the UNC School of Medicine from 1952 to 1957, and is presented to a fourth year student whose research paper is judged by a faculty committee to be the best paper submitted.

F.I.R.S.T Scholars: Established in 2015, FIRST students complete a three year medical school curriculum to fast-track into a UNC Family Medicine Residency, followed by three years of service in North Carolina with ongoing support in practice. Curriculum starts March of Foundation Phase.

Glasgow-Rubin Commendation for Academic Achievement: These awards are presented by the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) to recognize women graduates who have excelled academically.

Harold C. Pillsbury Student Research Awards: These awards for excellence in research are made possible by a generous gift from Dr. Pillsbury, Chair of the UNC Department of Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery.

Howard Holderness Distinguished Medical Scholars: This annual award is given to five students with the goal of producing thoughtful clinicians and researchers capable of in-depth, critical, independent analysis of contemporary medical literature, and provides them the opportunity to pursue an independent project with a faculty mentor.

Isaac Hall Manning Award: In 1954, an anonymous donor established a fund to provide an annual award in honor of Isaac Hall Manning, M.D., Class of 1895, who served the School of Medicine from 1905 to 1933 as a Professor of Physiology and Dean. Members of the graduating class are nominated by faculty for the Isaac Hall Manning Award on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership, initiative, and original investigative work.

Kenan Primary Care Medical Scholars: This program is made possible by the William R. Kenan, Jr. Charitable Trust. The four-year award is given to medical students who possess a sincere commitment to return to North Carolina and practice in a rural or urban underserved area.

Lucius Blanchard Carolina Family Loyalty Fund Scholars: This award is given annually to four first year medical students who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement, strong curiosity, leadership qualities, and commitment to service.

Medical Alumni Loyalty Fund Scholars: Students are awarded these scholarships on the basis of their commitment to the medical school, service to others, altruism, integrity and leadership.

Michiko Kuno Research Award: Established by friends of Michiko Kuno, wife of former UNC Professor of Physiology and distinguished neuroscientist Motoy Kuno, this award is given to one student annually in honor of Michiko's kindness, zest for life, vibrancy, and elegance.

Primary Care and Population Health Scholars: This longitudinal program for students interested in practicing cost-effective, high-quality primary care as part of a larger vision of improving the health of populations blends primary care and public health concepts, and helps students build skills in research, writing, and leadership.

NC Rural Promise Scholarships: This scholarship offers financial support for UNC School of Medicine students who plan to enter the fields of family medicine, pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics & gynecology, psychiatry or general surgery, and to commit to serving in one of North Carolina's many rural counties.

Stone Travel Fellowships: Created by Kevin R. Stone, M.D. '81 and his family, this award supports up to four fourth year medical students in good academic standing who are interested in a personally and professionally transformative four-week elective rotation outside of North Carolina.

FACULTY AND HOUSE STAFF AWARDS

Henry C. Fordham Award: With this award, the Class of 2017 recognizes a member of the house staff for the qualities of patience, humility, and devotion to medicine.

Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Faculty Award presented by The Arthur P. Gold Foundation: The Arnold P. Gold Foundation makes it possible for the Class of 2017 to select a faculty member who consistently demonstrates compassion, empathy, respect, cultural sensitivity, effective communication and listening skills, and professional ethical standards in the delivery of care. The recipient understands a patient's need for interpretation of complex medical diagnosis while showing respect for a patient's viewpoint, pays attention to patients' psychological well-being, engenders trust and confidence, and remains personally committed to self-evaluation. In addition, the faculty recipient serves as a role model and mentor, is approachable and accessible to students, and exhibits enthusiasm in interactions with students.

Professor Award: The recipient of this award is a faculty member selected by the senior class who, by his or her willingness, understanding and ability, has contributed the most to our students' medical education.