

Departmental Awards

- The Peter B. Bosomworth Award is awarded for outstanding performance in Anesthesiology. This year's awardee is **Hannah Madden**.
- The Raleigh O. Jones Award acknowledges a 4th year medical student for excellence in Otolaryngology. This year's awardee is **Brady Eckman**.
- The Myron G. Sandifer Award recognizes excellence in Psychiatry. This year's awardee is **Abby Isaacs**.
- The Dr. Francis M. Massie Award recognizes a senior student demonstrating excellence in Surgery. This year's award winner is **Madison Sands**.
- The Andrew R. Pulito, M.D., Award in Surgery honors a graduating student who exemplifies excellence in academics, clinical care, leadership, and teaching in the field of surgery, and who is pursuing a career in a surgical field. This year's awardee is **Elizabeth Hansen**.
- The Carey-Cup in Emergency Medicine Award is awarded for outstanding performance in Emergency Medicine. This year's awardee is **Kerrigan Samons**.
- The Society for Academic Emergency Medicine is pleased to sponsor the Medical Student Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award. This award is made available to each medical school to select a senior medical student who has demonstrated excellence in the specialty of emergency medicine. The student selected from each school will receive: One-year subscription to the SAEM monthly journal, Academic Emergency Medicine; One-year subscription to the SAEM Pulse; One-year resident/medical student membership in SAEM (July 1 - June 30); Certificate of Excellence in Emergency Medicine. This year's awardee is **Stephanie Strothkamp**.

- The William D. and Peggy Pratt Memorial Scholarship Award for outstanding performance in Family Medicine. This year's awardee is **Eric Vogt**.
- The Dr. Richard W. Emerine Memorial Award is in recognition of an outstanding senior medical student matched into Family Medicine. This year's awardee is **Logan Hickey**.
- The Steven A. Haist Outstanding Achievement in Internal Medicine is awarded for outstanding medical student performance in all four years of Internal Medicine courses. This year's awardee is **Abby Isaacs**.
- The Scholarship and Humanism in Internal Medicine Award is awarded for outstanding academic performance and humanistic qualities in Internal Medicine. This year's awardee is **Katie Myers**.
- The David B. Clark Award recognizes outstanding performance in 3rd year neurology and/or participation in research. This year's awardee is **Chris Meuth**.
- The American Academy of Neurology Medical Student Prize for Excellence in Neurology is for a graduating medical student who has a promising career potential in neurology. This year's recipient is **Jeremiah Wayne**.
- The Louise Perkins McHenry Award recognizes outstanding overall performance in Obstetrics and Gynecology for 3rd year medical student in MD838. This year's awardee is **Josie Llanora**.
- The John Greene, Jr. MD Clinical Excellence Award acknowledges a 4th year medical student for outstanding performance on the Acting Internship in Obstetrics. This year's awardee is **Issac Domenech-Gonzalez**.
- The Von Myers Award is selected by the Department of Pathology. It recognizes excellent academic performance and personal qualities that make an outstanding physician. This year's award goes to **Kalee Rusnak (Kay-Lee Ruhs-nack)**.

- The department of Pathology also recognized a 4th year medical student for the College of American Pathologists award. The CAP Distinguished Medical Student Award is given to a medical student who is in any year of training for outstanding achievement, great aptitude, or great interest in pathology. The College of American Pathologists award recipient is **Tony Nesta**.
- The Dr. John Githens Award recognizes a senior student demonstrating excellence in Pediatrics. This year's awardee is **Chad Coomer**.
- The Gerald V. Klim Award honors a senior student demonstrating excellence in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. This year's winner is **Connor Holthouse (Connor HOLT-house)**.
- The Arthur Lieber, MD Award for Excellence in Radiology is awarded for outstanding performance in DR 850. This year's award winner is **Curtis Bethel**.

Faculty Awards

Distinguished Teacher Award:

The fourth-year class was asked to vote on clinical faculty members who exemplify teaching excellence and professionalism by creating an encouraging and intellectually stimulating learning environment. Awardees promote critical thinking and personify the UK COM Professionalism Competences of availability, sensitivity and respect. Students at each campus selected an awardee.

- The Distinguished Teaching Award for the Lexington campus went to Dr. Adam Gray, Department of Internal Medicine.

The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award:

•The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award, presented by the Arnold P. Gold Foundation, is also voted on by the fourth-year class and is awarded to faculty for consistently demonstrating compassion and empathy in the delivery of care to patients. This year's Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Faculty Award goes to Dr. Prakash Pandalai.

Honorary Class Members:

There is a long-held tradition that each graduating class selects staff and faculty members who have most greatly assisted members of the class during their time in medical school, and bestows on them honorary class membership. The class of 2023 honorary class members are:

- Mr. Cody Anderson-Williams, Curriculum Coordinator Senior,
- Mrs. Ashlee Hamilton, Director of Student Affairs,
- Dr. Andrew Hoellein, faculty member, Department of Internal Medicine

Student Achievement Awards:

The Clinical and Translational Research Scholarly Concentration

Due to the extent of their patient interaction, physicians are uniquely positioned to pinpoint specific needs in clinical practice and to use their scientific training to develop targeted solutions. The Clinical and Translational Research Scholarly Concentration allows students to add essential training tools as stepping stones for future academic and clinical scientist careers. The following Lexington campus graduates successfully completed the Clinical and Translational Research Scholarly Concentration:

- Patrick Cordero
- Madison Ginn
- Stuart Jones
- Abby Isaacs
- Anne Lasher
- Kristina Pond
- Nicole Robertson
- Kaitlyn Samuels
- Madison Sands
- Alexius Stevenson
- Stephanie Strothkamp
- Kaitlyn Weyman

The Global Health Scholarly Concentration

The Global Health Scholarly Concentration provides a foundational knowledge of global health through structured and immersive learning experiences. To this end, students study foundations of global health, explore related areas through elective courses and complete an immersive experience in a global health setting aimed at getting micro and macro perspectives on health through participation in a non-US health system. The following Lexington campus graduates successfully completed the Global Health Scholarly Concentration:

- Katherine Breetz
- Samuel Fugate
- William Jessee
- Macey Johnson
- Sarah Kosse
- Anne Mason

The Scholarly Concentration in Bioethics and Clinical Ethics

In this concentration, students spend significant time studying and discussing ethical concepts and learning how to apply them to their clinical fields. This concentration has a capstone scholarly project that all of the students excelled in. The following Lexington campus graduates successfully completed the Bioethics and Clinical Ethics Scholarly Concentration:

- Marcus Sirianno
- Jeremiah Wayne

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society

Alpha Omega Alpha, founded in 1902, is the national medical honor society. Election to Alpha Omega Alpha is an honor signifying a lasting commitment to professionalism, leadership, scholarship, research, and community service. A lifelong honor, membership in the society confers recognition for a physician's dedication to the profession and art of healing.

This year, we had the honor of inducting 37 students into AOA. This honor is signified by the green and gold honor cord which will be worn by these graduates at Graduation. The Lexington campus AOA members are:

- Emily Altman

- Gabrielle Salome Armstrong
- Kaylin Batey
- Charles Coomer
- Ashami Athukorala Cooper
- Daniel Cooper
- Issac Domenech-Gonzalez
- Abigail Durbin
- Logan Eslinger
- Elizabeth Hansen
- David Henson
- Abby Isaacs
- Bill Jessee
- Meredith Johnson
- Josie Llanora
- Benjamin Morrison
- Jackson Newcomer
- Hares Patel
- Nicole Robertson
- Madison Sands
- Marcus Sirianno
- Alexius Stevenson
- Madeline Tierney

Gold Humanism Honor Society

The Gold Humanism Honor Society (GHHS) recognizes students, residents and faculty who are exemplars of compassionate patient care and who serve as role models, mentors, and leaders in medicine. GHHS members are peer nominated and are the ones that others say they want taking care of their own family. This year, we had the honor of inducting 28 students into GHHS. Our regional campus students will be recognized at their local ceremonies. The Lexington campus GHHS members are:

- Kaylin Batey
- Curtis Bethel

- Emily Cassim
- Daniel Cooper
- Issac Domenech-Gonzalez
- Cody Estep
- Jarod Griffin
- Elizabeth Hansen
- Abby Isaacs
- Bill Jessee
- Stuart Jones
- Josie Llanora
- Chris Meuth
- Hares Patel
- Brian Grant Ross
- Madeline Tierney
- Hallie Walther

Student Awards

Merck Manuals

The Merck Manual Award is for Academic Excellence. These awards are generously provided by Merck and Company, and are presented to graduating students for outstanding achievement in both academic and nonacademic endeavors. This year's Lexington campus Merck Manual Academic Excellence awardees are:

- Jodi Llanora
- Gabriella Salome Armstrong

American Medical Women's Association (AMWA)

- For many years, the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) has awarded the Glasgow-Rubin Certificates of Commendation for Academic Achievement to women who graduate in the top of their medical school graduating class. At UK College of Medicine, given our pass/fail curriculum, we used collective third year evaluation data for the metric for academic achievement because third-year evaluations reflect your ability to perform the skills and duties of being a physician: being able to gather and report pertinent information, perform

an appropriate physical exam, create a workable diagnostic and treatment plan, interact with a multidisciplinary team, communicate with patients, and maintain high standards of professionalism and self-directed improvement. This year's Lexington campus AMWA Glasgow-Rubin Certificates of Commendation for Academic Achievement go to:

- Ellen Combs
- Ana Grandinetti
- Elizabeth Hansen
- Madison Lane
- Stephanie Strothkamp
- Madeline Tierney
- Hallie Walther

Humanism in Medicine Award

The fourth-year class voted on a Humanism in Medicine student award for a student that consistently demonstrates compassion and empathy in the delivery of care to patients. This year's Lexington campus Humanism in Medicine award went to Nicholas White.

Good Physician Award

The Good Physician Award is chosen by the senior class, with one awardee selected for each campus. The award recognizes a graduating senior who exemplifies all qualities inherent in a good physician including educational achievement, service, leadership, and compassionate care. This year's Lexington campus awardee is:

- Tyler Shimmfessel

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