



SCHOOL OF
PUBLIC HEALTH

2025

**CELEBRATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS
AND STUDENT AWARDS >**

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The School of Public Health would like to thank our generous scholarship, fellowship, and award donors for supporting our students. Your help has enabled us to recognize our students' achievements and help them graduate with less debt. Many of them are only able to pursue their degrees because of your support.

We thank you.

KEY TO PROGRAM ABBREVIATIONS:

UMD: University of Maryland, **SPH:** School of Public Health,
BCH: Behavioral and Community Health, **EPIB:** Epidemiology and Biostatistics,
FMSC: Family Science, **HPM:** Health Policy and Management, **KNES:** Kinesiology,
GEOH: Global, Environmental, and Occupational Health, **PHSC:** Public Health Science



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DEPARTMENTAL AWARD RECOGNITION

BEHAVIORAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH

Academic Perseverance Award

This award goes to an individual who has exhibited the ability to overcome challenges while maintaining high academic performance.

Syiera West-DeBow

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Community Service Award

This award goes to undergraduate and graduate students who have made superior commitments and contributions to the well-being of a community.

Lesly Rivera Gomez

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Research Paper Award

This award goes to a PhD student who published a manuscript in 2024 that was innovative, included substantial data analysis and made a significant contribution to the field of public health research.

Alana Ewen

Doctor of Philosophy, Behavioral and Community Health

Margaret W. Bridwell Endowed Internship Scholarship

This award honors Dr. Margaret W. Bridwell, a lifelong public health practitioner and former director of the University Health Center. This award supports undergraduates in BCH during their internship experiences.

Princewill Achoronye

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Yusra Afzal

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Caryl Agopome

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Jesudarasimi Akinkuowo

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Emma Angell

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Leah Assaker

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Paige Brown

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Alison Bush

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Marykate Catogge

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Emaan Farooqi

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Ella Gauthier

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Emily Giron

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Grace Harrison

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Dorinda Hinson

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Maria-Esperanza Huerta

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Eleni Jones

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Ayomide Lawrence

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Jenny Lee

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Anthony Lon

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Olivia Martin

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Kidist Mekonnen

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Neha Mupparapu

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Mallory O'Quinn

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Ayomide Onafuwa

Bachelor of Science, Community Health

Kathryn Peabody

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Nashrah Rahman

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Lesly Rivera Gomez

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Grace Robinson

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Adelina Rodrigues

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Caroline Rodriguez

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Ella Rosenthal

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Sophie Schorr

Bachelor of Arts, Government and Politics

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Bamlack Tamire

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Natalia Umanzor Villatoro

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Syierra West-DeBow

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Abigail Wilson

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Taylor Young

Bachelor of Science, Community Health



BEHAVIORAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH, *continued*

Barry Portnoy Dissertation Research Award

A merit-based award for exemplary dissertation defense in the Department of Behavioral and Community Health.

Alana Ewen

Doctor of Philosophy, Behavioral and Community Health

Samantha Watters

Doctor of Philosophy, Behavioral and Community Health

Doris W. Sands Scholarship

This award honors Dr. Doris Sands, a sexuality educator renowned for her teaching skills and ability to reach students at UMD from 1964 to 1986. The BCH Undergraduate Program Committee selects the recipient(s) based on strong motivation and promise in the field.

Mariya Klochkova

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Robin G. Sawyer Health Teaching/ Communication Award

This award honors Dr. Robin Sawyer's more than 30-year commitment to a high standard of teaching excellence and health communication. It goes to graduate students who demonstrate promise and involvement in public/community health presentations and teaching.

Angshuman Kashyap

Doctor of Philosophy, Behavioral and Community Health



Constance Dent Ward and Mary Byron Henninger Endowed Scholarship

This award provides merit-based scholarships for undergraduate students in BCH, particularly first-generation college students.

Alejandra Mata

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Anh Tran

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

EPIDEMIOLOGY AND BIostatISTICS

Outstanding Service Award

This award recognizes EPIB students who have made outstanding contributions to the department in areas of service, involvement, leadership and scholarship.

Masuka Straton

Master of Public Health, Biostatistics

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award

This award recognizes teaching assistants who have made distinguished contributions to the EPIB department by demonstrating excellence in their instructional capacities.

Aaron Blakney

Doctor of Philosophy, Epidemiology

Gold Research Award

This award honors Dr. Robert S. Gold for his contribution to academic excellence and leadership as chair of EPIB from 2013-2017 academic years. This award is given to doctoral and master's students who have gained ample research experience and demonstrated research productivity.

Elizabeth Early

Master of Public Health, Epidemiology

Yi Fan Yu

Doctor of Philosophy, Epidemiology

FAMILY SCIENCE

Center for Healthy Families Scholarship

This scholarship recognizes FMSC students and supports their research and travel to professional conferences.

Matthew Alvarez

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Arina Borodkina

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Leilani Chavez

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Ola Elwakeel

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Madeleine Fan

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Zahra Javaid

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Family Science Scholarship

This scholarship provides scholarships to FMSC students, supporting their research and travel to conferences.

Zeinab (Sarah) Azizi

Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science

Janay Johnson

Doctor of Philosophy, Maternal and Child Health

Salwa Shan

Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science

Jeanette Spier Beavers Endowed Memorial Scholarship

Jeanette Spier Beavers was a clinical social worker who cared deeply about the rights of the underprivileged and issues affecting families globally. This scholarship supports graduate students in the Couple and Family Therapy MS program who share her commitment to providing therapy for economically disadvantaged families.

Matthew Alvarez

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Arina Borodkina

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Leilani Chavez

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Ola Elwakeel

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Victoria Francois

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Max Frankel

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Maria Graviet

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Isaiah Myers

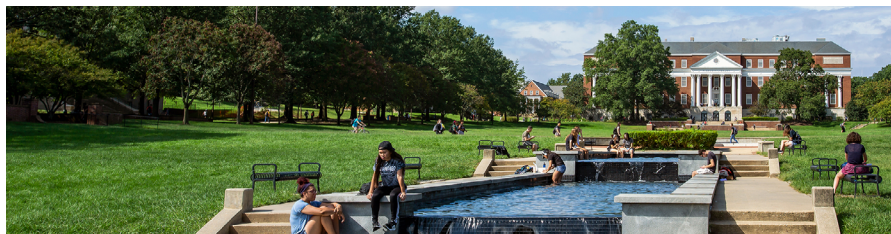
Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Nisha Patel

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Emily Schonemann

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy



FAMILY SCIENCE, *continued*

Jennifer Becker Carswell Endowed Award

This award recognizes a second-year marriage and family therapy student for performance excellence in clinical work or for a unique contribution to a clinical specialization.

Ola Elwakeel

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Andrew Billingsley Endowed Scholarship

This annual scholarship recognizes committed FMSC students who have demonstrated scholastic excellence.

Zeinab (Sarah) Azizi

Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science

Pond Ezra

Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science

Samantha Moran

Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science

Roger H. Rubin Student Professional Award

This award supports graduate student participation at national conferences.

Gabriel Dogbanya

Doctor of Philosophy, Maternal and Child Health

Makayla Lee

Doctor of Philosophy, Maternal and Child Health

Kerra Mercon

Doctor of Philosophy, Maternal and Child Health

Samantha Moran

Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science

GLOBAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

Wait Family Endowed Environmental Graduate Scholarship

The Wait Family Endowed Scholarship is provided to graduate students who have demonstrated excellence in environmental health research.

Aziz Hurtado Olson

Master of Public Health, Environmental Health Science

Emily Woerner

Doctor of Philosophy, Environmental Health Science

GLOBAL HEALTH INITIATIVE

Pamela I. Clark Global Health Student Experience Endowed Award

Named for Research Professor Emerita, Dr. Pamela I. Clark, this award supports School of Public Health students for education, research and service experiences outside of the United States, especially through Public Health Beyond Borders.

Chigozie Amadi

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Katerina Banovic

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Nyah Conway

Master of Public Health, Health Care Management

Esther Fadaka

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

GLOBAL HEALTH INITIATIVE,
continued

Princess Isi-Obuseh

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Bachelor of Science, Information Science

Tabara Kaloga

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Shruthi Kishore

Bachelor of Science, Bioengineering

Anna Krull

Bachelor of Science, Psychology

Bachelor of Science, Anthropology

Serena Mlawsky

Master of Public Health, Health Policy

Saintania Myrttil

Bachelor of Science, Psychology

Afia Obeng

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Akunna Okonkwo

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Mia Owens

Bachelor of Science, Global Health

Joy Reider

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Alex Robey

Bachelor of Science, Biological Sciences

Adithya Sobha

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Edgar Urena Lizardo

Bachelor of Arts, Studio Art & Immersive Media

Mahika Vedire

*Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science
and Marketing*

Lydia Walter

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Martha Yumiseva

Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science

**Garson International Volunteer
Endowment for Retired Seniors
(GIVERS) Fellowship**

This fellowship provides support for graduate students participating in a global health experience that involves encouraging individuals aged 50+ to be civically engaged in their home country.

Chia-Shuan Chang

*Doctor of Philosophy, Behavioral and
Community Health*

**HEALTH POLICY AND
MANAGEMENT**

Capstone Award

This award recognizes a current HPM master's student or recent alum who has demonstrated excellence in their capstone project.

Wesley Annan

*Master of Public Health, Health Care
Management*

Kelly Biglin

*Master of Public Health, Health Policy Analysis
and Evaluation*

David Gallegos

*Master of Public Health, Public Health
Practice & Policy*

Jennifer Ha

Master of Health Administration

Blaize Shiebler

Master of Public Health, Health Equity

HEALTH POLICY AND MANAGEMENT, *continued*

Outstanding Internship Award

This award goes to a master's student in HPM who demonstrated excellence in their capstone or internship project.

Cameron Awkard

Master of Public Health, Health Equity

Poushali Banerjee

Master of Public Health, Health Policy Analysis and Evaluation

Karrah Benson

Master of Public Health, Public Policy and Practice

Leya Engdaw

Master of Health Administration

Julie Yang

Master of Public Health, Health Care Management

Outstanding Service Award

Awarded to current HPM students involved in outstanding service to the department, the School of Public Health, campus or community and who demonstrate commitment to service.

Hawi Bekele Bengessa

Master of Health Administration

Micah Ferguson

Master of Public Health, Health Policy Analysis and Evaluation

Denise Fredericks

Master of Public Health, Public Health Practice & Policy

Ciara Kyler

Master of Public Health, Health Equity

Alice Yan

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Services Research

Nicole Zaim

Master of Public Health, Health Care Management

CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Endowed Graduate Scholarship

This scholarship provides support for graduate students conducting research and/or applied projects to improve issues of health equity or to identify more effective methods of health service delivery.

Seyeon Jang

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Services Research

Shuling Wu

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology - Physical Cultural Studies

Kaiser Permanente Endowed Graduate Scholarship

This scholarship supports graduate students conducting research and/or applied projects to identify more effective methods of health care service delivery in community healthcare initiatives.

Elsie Essien

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Services Research

SunJung Yoon

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Services Research

Seabury Aging Research Fellowship

This award honors Joseph Resch, retired CEO of Seabury Resources for Aging, and provides fellowships for graduate students conducting research in aging at SPH and the Center on Aging.

Caitlin Blanco

Doctor of Philosophy, Epidemiology

Teagan Maguire

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Services Research

Alice Yan

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Services Research

KINESIOLOGY

Deborah L. Gebhardt Endowed Graduate Student Award

This award provides merit-based awards for second-year doctoral students in biomechanics and physiology in the Department of Kinesiology.

Maliheh Fakhari

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology

Shannon Khan

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology - Exercise Physiology

Gebhardt-Phillips Graduate Student Award

This award supports doctoral students in KNES, particularly costs associated with research, including data collection, travel, equipment, and labor.

Sara Mascone

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology - Exercise Physiology

Anna Packy

Doctor of Philosophy, Neuroscience and Cognitive Science

Gina Garcia

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology - Cognitive Motor Neuroscience

Shuling Wu

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology - Physical Cultural Studies

Louise Howarth Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship supports academically exceptional MCERT physical education students who show strong potential to be outstanding teachers.

Jared Mockensturm

Master of Education, Kinesiology - Curriculum/Physical Education

James H. Humphrey Graduate Student Published Research Award

This scholarship supports merit-based awards for published research by graduate students and tenure-track faculty, and provides funding for costs incurred by graduate students and tenure-track faculty members with publishing their research.

Anna Packy

Doctor of Philosophy, Neuroscience and Cognitive Science

Alice Morgan Love Memorial Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship is in memory of Dr. Alice Morgan Love, Ph.D. '59, associate professor of physical education and a graduate of Frederick High School. Awardees are undergraduate and graduate students in KNES with strong academic and leadership skills and a commitment to community service.

Michael Baysmore

Master of Public Health, Physical Activity

Enock Elumbu

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Amanuel Fitsum

M.Ed Physical Education, Physical Education

Naomi Gedion

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Madison Lane

Master of Public Health, Physical Activity

Matias LLontop

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Mazie MacFarlane

Master of Public Health, Physical Activity

Kendra McBroom

Master of Public Health, Physical Activity

Samuel Merga

Master of Public Health, Physical Activity

Tavon Mitchell

Master of Public Health, Physical Activity

KINESIOLOGY, *continued*

Alice Morgan Love Memorial Endowed Scholarship, *continued*

Pamela Mooring

Master of Public Health, Physical Activity

Kolawole Oyebola

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Sophia Russo

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Vasanthi Shanmuganandam

Master of Public Health, Kinesiology

Rachael Vander Roest

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Gabriella Wooden

Master of Public Health, Physical Activity

Quinn Endowed Teaching Scholarship

Two students who are student-teaching in preparation for a career as a physical education teacher, with selection based on highest GPA in their major.

Stephen Vogl

*Master of Education, Kinesiology -
Physical Education*

Jordan Wagner

*Master of Education, Kinesiology -
Physical Education*



Jeremy C. Rietschel Graduate Mentorship Award

Named for a 2011 graduate who never hesitated to help another student, this award is granted to Ph.D. students in KNES who have given generously of their intelligence, skills and time to help other graduate students advance their research and/or complete their graduate degree.

Samantha Snyder

*Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology - Cognitive
Motor Neuroscience*

Whitlark Endowed Fellowship

This Fellowship supports one or more Ph.D. candidates in KNES for completion of international research experiences.

Maria Canellas Da Silva

*Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology -
Exercise Physiology*

Whitlark Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship supports undergraduates majoring in PHSC demonstrating strong academics, potential for future leadership in public health and, when possible, commitment to integration of physical activity and public health.

Zachary Mixer

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE

SPH Student Award

This award supports graduate and undergraduate students in the School of Public Health to offset the financial costs associated with access to the full range of Public Health Practice learning opportunities (classroom, internship /externship, and extracurricular).

Yesenia Lemus Avila

Master of Public Health, Health Equity

Dushanka and Joel Kleinman Student Award

This award supports SPH students — undergraduates and graduates — who are engaged in learning opportunities through the Office of Public Health Practice and Community Engagement.

Fatima Bundu

Bachelor of Science, Biology

Marie Camara

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Esther Fadaka

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Oluwademilade Komolafe

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Lauren Radebaugh

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Bachelor of Science, Communications

Daga Sinyan

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Roya Tehrani

Master of Public Health, Health Equity

Robin Mockenhaupt Endowed Student Award

This award supports graduate and undergraduate students for costs associated with accessing the full range of Public Health Practice learning opportunities including classroom, internship / externship and extracurricular experiences.

Isabella Amador

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Fatoumata Diallo

Master of Public Health, Behavioral and Community Health

Tara Eyler

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Isaiah Griffith

Master of Public Health, Health Policy Analysis and Evaluation

Lahna Hall

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Hakima Hussaini

Master of Public Health, Behavioral and Community Health

Ebony Jones

Master of Public Health, Behavioral and Community Health

Jenny Lee

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Alexis McDougal

Bachelor of Science, Community Health

Ayomide Onafuwa

Bachelor of Science, Community Health

Angela Orantes

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE, *continued*

Robin Mockenhaupt Endowed Student Award, *continued*

Barrie Pasternak

Master of Public Health, Environmental Health

Nashrah Rahman

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Elliot Skopp

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Sativa Smith

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Bachelor of Arts, Sociology

Mahlet Solomon

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Anh Tran

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Xiao-Lian Warren

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENCE

Barbara and Carl Alving Endowed Research Award

This is a merit-based award for individual students with junior class standing in the public health science major who demonstrate research excellence and the potential or ability to translate health-related research in clinical or community applications in SPH.

Theodora Osuala

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Whitlark Endowed Scholarship

This is an annual, merit-based award for individual students with junior class standing in the public health science major who demonstrate research excellence and the potential or ability to translate health-related research on physical activity in clinical, educational, or community applications in SPH.

Zainab Ali

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science



SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH AWARD RECOGNITION

Gymkana George F. Kramer Four Year Trouper Award

Named after Dr. George F. Kramer, former Gymkana member, head coach and director, this award goes to students who have completed four years of Gymkana membership and have held a position of leadership.

Alison Clingan

Bachelor of Arts, English

Elena Fox-Bland

Bachelor of Arts, Art Studio

Sophia Marchionini

Bachelors of Arts, Hearing and Speech Sciences

Fiona Rioux

Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering

Graduate Student Fellowship

These fellowships provide support to outstanding graduate students in the School of Public Health.

Eden Adhanom

Master of Public Health, Health Care Management

Matthew Alvarez

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Arina Borodkina

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Nyah Conway

Master of Public Health, Health Care Management

Maliheh Fakhhar

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology - Cognitive motor neuroscience

Janae Freeman

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Maria Graviet

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy



Angshuman Kashyap

Doctor of Philosophy, Behavioral and Community Health

Samantha Moran

Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science

Isaiah Myers

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Lauren Nowosatka

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology - Physical Cultural Studies

Emily Schonemann

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Jalan Walker

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

SunJung Yoon

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Services Research



School of Public Health Scholarship

These scholarships fund undergraduate and graduate students' work, as well as training and education opportunities to help them solve public health challenges.

Princewill Achoronye

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Raquel Chaupiz

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Linda Fokam

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Bachelor of Arts, English Language and Literature

Damilola Folorunso

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Caitlyn Goldberg

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Bachelor of Arts, Sociology

Adriana Koilpillai

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Bachelor of Arts, French

Bamidele Odubayo

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Roseline Onwukwe

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Bachelor of Science, Information Science

Lydia Walter

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Emily Woerner

*Doctor of Philosophy, Environmental
Health Science*

AmeriCorps School of National Service Award

*Tuition support for MPH students that were
AmeriCorps volunteers.*

Laura Giron

*Master of Public Health Behavioral and
Community Health*

Madeleine Higgins

*Master of Public Health, Behavioral and
Community Health*

Robert S. and Barbara A. Gold Public Health Innovation Endowed Award

*This award supports one or more annual awards
for innovative Public Health solutions created
by individuals or teams consisting of at least one
student in the School of Public Health.*

Ibiyinka Amokeodo

*Doctor of Philosophy, Environmental Health
Science*

Nashita Bhuiyan

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

Ebenezer Mensah

*Doctor of Philosophy, Higher Education, Student
Affairs & International Education Policy*

Yash Porwal

Bachelor of Science, Biology



Jerry P. Wrenn Endowed Undergraduate Scholarship

Established in honor of Dr. Jerry P. Wrenn, who was a faculty member, student advisor, associate dean of student services, and finally dean of the College of Health and Human Performance (which became SPH), this scholarship supports outstanding students graduating within the next year and who demonstrate experience and leadership in their field of study.

Kevin Diaz

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Tara Eyler

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Joi Kenner

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Julia Lopez

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Yomyra Villatoro

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Larissa Zacharias

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

TerpStart Endowed Scholarships

The university matches the awards generated from donor-created TerpStart Endowed Scholarships in perpetuity. To qualify, students must meet any requirements of the award and maintain satisfactory academic progress towards a degree in public health.

Carl and Barbara Alving TerpStart Endowed Scholarship

Bethlehem Kebede

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Elaine Anderson and Mark Ginsberg TerpStart Endowed Scholarship

Samuel Cogan

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Ayne Furman & Arnold Miller TerpStart Endowed Scholarship

Aminah Hamilton

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Gold Family TerpStart Endowed Scholarship

Saida Hiyam

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Hahn Family TerpStart Endowed Scholarship

Mubeen Asim

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Ruth and George Douglas Hatfield TerpStart Endowed Scholarship

Bridget Junghans

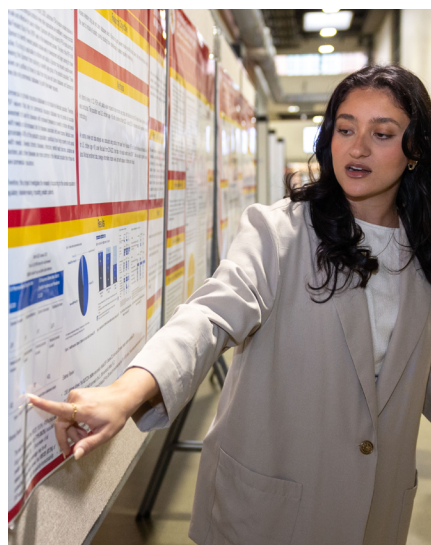
Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Whitlark TerpStart Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship supports undergraduates majoring in PHSC demonstrating strong academics, potential for future leadership in public health and, when possible, commitment to integration of physical activity and public health.

Eunice Ok

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science





GRADUATE STUDENT AWARD RECOGNITION

Graduate Student Ambassadors

Graduate Student Ambassadors are a dynamic group of student volunteers chosen to represent the School of Public Health in a variety of roles related to graduate admissions. Ambassadors represent the diverse School of Public Health student body and strive to inspire, engage and represent past, present and future SPH graduate students from all of our programs.

Maliheh Fakhhar

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology - Cognitive Motor Neuroscience

Isaiah Griffith

Master of Public Health, Health Policy Analysis and Evaluation

Alexis Hunter

Doctor of Philosophy, Behavioral and Community Health

Hakima Hussaini

Master of Public Health, Behavioral and Community Health

Maia Jerchower

Master of Public Health, Health Care Management

Angshuman Kashyap

Doctor of Philosophy, Behavioral and Community Health

Haja Kumalah

Master of Public Health, Behavioral and Community Health

Nana Ama Kumi

Master of Public Health, Environmental Health Sciences

Sarah McClure

Master of Public Health, Health Care Management

Errienna McKenzie

Master of Public Health, Health Equity

Muhammed Nasir

Master of Health Administration

Erica Scott

Master of Public Health, Behavioral and Community Health

Bryan Shannon

Doctor of Philosophy, Behavioral and Community Health

Aiswarya Suriaprakash

Master of Public Health, Epidemiology

Paul Umemezie

Master of Public Health, Biostatistics

Naomi Whitaker

Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science

Emily Woerner

Doctor of Philosophy, Environmental Health Sciences

Alice Yan

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Services Research

Junbin Yang

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology

Dean's Graduate Scholars

The Dean's Graduate Scholars are students who have excelled academically and contributed to the greater SPH community through campus activities, community service and volunteering. These students are engaged citizens of the School and have made a notable impression on their department, faculty and peers through their academic and co-curricular achievements.

Matthew Alvarez

Master of Science, Couple and Family Therapy

Zachary Berman

Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science

Travis Canida

Doctor of Philosophy, Mathematical Statistics, Concentration in Biostatistics and Bioinformatics

Fatoumata Diallo

Master of Public Health, Behavioral and Community Health

Medha Krishnagiri

Master of Public Health, Public Health Practice & Policy

Liqiong Liu

Master of Health Administration

Lindsay Mallick

Doctor of Philosophy, Maternal and Child Health

Sonica Sayam

Doctor of Philosophy, Epidemiology

Bryan Shannon

Doctor of Philosophy, Behavioral and Community Health

Roya Tehrani

Master of Public Health, Health Equity

Hannah Treger

Master of Public Health, Health Policy Analysis and Evaluation

Luz Villanueva

Master of Public Health, Biostatistics

Alice Yan

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Services Research

Leadership Award

The graduate student recipient of this award exemplifies outstanding leadership attributes and has demonstrated strong promise for a career dedicated to excellence and innovation through leadership.

Cynthia Weiner

Doctor of Philosophy, Kinesiology





UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT AWARD RECOGNITION

Dean's Outstanding Undergraduate Scholars

The Dean's Outstanding Undergraduate Scholars are students who have excelled academically and contributed to the greater SPH community through campus activities, community service and volunteering. These students have made a notable impression on their department, faculty and peers through their academic and co-curricular achievements.

Omolola Adegbemileke

Bachelor of Science, Global Health

Ann-Marie Cole

Bachelor of Science, Environmental Science and Policy

Elizabeth Gisler

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Madison Haller

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Mason Huynh

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Joi Kenner

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Saili Khorjekar

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Virginia Lee

Bachelor of Science, Global Health

Deborah Mensah

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Leah Schutz

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Lila Schwartzberg

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Kaisha Snowden

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Erin Tebbe

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Elizabeth Vallandingham

*Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice
Bachelor of Science, Psychology*

Dean's Outstanding Senior Scholars

This award goes to well-rounded senior SPH undergraduate students who have excelled in the classroom and contributed to the greater SPH community through campus activities, community service and volunteering.

Tessa Alegre

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Alison Bush

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Raquel Chaupiz

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Karis Devaney

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Tabara Kaloga

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Jackelyn Kingsbury

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Avery Moe

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Esohe Owie

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Eytan Pomper

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology

Sophie Schorr

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Bachelor of Arts, Government and Politics

Lydia Walter

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Abigail Wilson

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Dean's Scholar: Fraley Award

The Fraley Award – the highest undergraduate honor offered by the School of Public Health – goes to an undergraduate student in the senior class from each department who most completely exemplifies the qualities of a Dean's Outstanding Scholar.

Marykate Catogge

Bachelor of Science, Public Health Practice

Vagmi Luhar

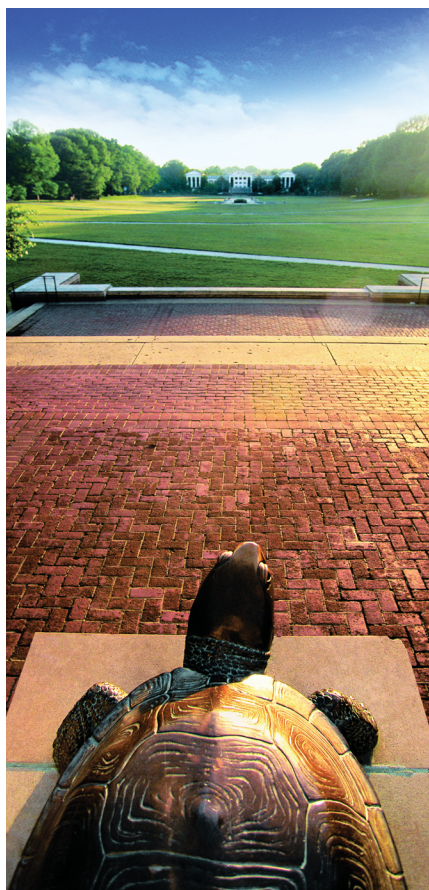
Bachelor of Science, Public Health Science

Robin Schlesinger

Bachelor of Science, Family Science

Jessica Stanley

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology



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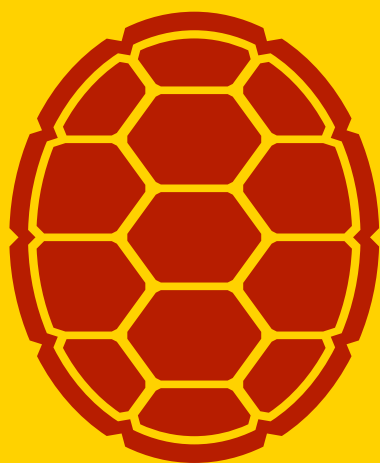
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