
28TH ANNUAL
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

College of Osteopathic Medicine
of the Pacific

Friday, May 15, 2009
9:30 a.m.

Pasadena Civic Auditorium
Pasadena, California

President's Message



To the 2009 Class of the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific:

A lifetime of hard work, dedication and determination has brought you to this pivotal point in your life, and I am honored to share in this Commencement celebration with you. Congratulations on a job well done. I encourage you to take time to enjoy this achievement with the people who helped you reach this milestone - your family, friends, classmates and instructors.

Remember that your journey is far from over. In fact, it is only beginning. You are now ready to take your place among the healers of the world. You have tremendous opportunities - and responsibilities - before you. You possess the powerful combination of skilled hands and a compassionate heart. Use these gifts to help your community become healthier and stronger.

I know you will serve as a shining example of WesternU's core values and commitment to excellence. I look forward to hearing of your many accomplishments in the coming years.

Warmest regards,
Philip Pumerantz



Western University of Health Sciences' History



In 1977, a small, devoted group of osteopathic physicians embraced the idea of creating a high-quality college in the western United States - the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific (COMP) in Pomona, Calif. Philip Pumerantz, PhD, was asked to serve as the founding president. That first college is now a part of Western University of Health Sciences, an institution of nine colleges with an enrollment of 2,400 students.

Today, WesternU is a thriving academic health center spread out over 22 acres and employing more than 580 faculty, staff and administrators. Alumni - more than 6,700 strong - are working to make their communities better by alleviating suffering and healing with caring hands and hearts.

The university has nine colleges: COMP, the College of Allied Health Professions, the College of Pharmacy, the College of Graduate Nursing, the College of Veterinary Medicine, the College of Dental Medicine, the College of Optometry, the College of Podiatric Medicine, and the Graduate College of Biomedical Sciences.

In 2009, Western University of Health Sciences will confer the following degrees: Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO); Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (MSPAS), Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT), Master of Science in Health Sciences (MSHS); Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD), Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences (MSPS); Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), Post-Master's Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) certificate, Master of Science in Nursing-Family Nurse Practitioner (MSN-FNP), Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP); and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM).

WesternU's Centers of Distinction - the Center for Disability Issues and the Health Professions, the Center for Drug Development and the Center for Advancement of Drug Research and Evaluation - are receiving national recognition in their particular focus areas.

WesternU has teaching clinical centers near the campus that provide health care services to community members. Community-based faculty serve as role models for students participating in a wide variety of clinical experiences in primary care settings. Curricula in each academic program are characterized by strong basic, social, behavioral and economic science education. WesternU's commitment to primary care is evident in its teaching, scholarship and public service.

With its unique academic curricula and campus-wide information technology, WesternU has transformed traditional teaching and learning into a true student-centered environment.

“Educare, Sanare, Coniunctim,” To Teach, To Heal, Together - this, more than any other statement, defines WesternU. We are committed to diversity, excellence in the area of academic curricula and interpersonal competence. We are a teaching and learning community; one in which knowledge is applied toward an end - the health and well-being of mankind.

Order of Exercises 2009



President Philip Pumerantz Presiding

Prelude	Pomona Concert Band
Processional	“Pomp and Circumstance” by Sir Edward Elgar
	Alan D. Cundari, DO, MS Professor of Family Medicine College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific University Marshal
	Jeffrey Felton, PhD Professor of Microbiology College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific Marshal
National Anthem	Juliette R. Asuncion, Marika Y. Gassner, Preston W. Shumway, Cara L. Johnson Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, Class of 2009
Invocation	Rabbi Gil Alchadeff Temple Shalom of Ontario, California
Chairman’s Welcome	Warren Lawless, LHD (Hon.) Chairman, Board of Trustees
Honorary Degree	William G. Anderson, DO, LHD (Hon.), FACOS Past President, American Osteopathic Association
	Presenter: Clinton E. Adams, DO, MPA, FAAFP Dean, College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific
Commencement Address	William G. Anderson, DO, FACOS
Presentation of the Graduating DO Class of 2009	Dean Adams
Conferring of Degree Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine	President Pumerantz

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Hooding of Graduates	Ethan Allen, DO, DSc (Hon.) Professor of Family Medicine Treasurer, Board of Trustees
	Richard Bond, DO '82, Dr PH, FAAFP Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees
Announcement of Graduates	Raymond J. Hruby, DO FAAO, MS Professor of Osteopathic Medicine
	Gerald Bales, PhD Associate Professor of Anatomy
	Susan E. Mackintosh, DO, MPH Assistant Professor of Family Medicine
Introduction of Oath Administrator and Alumni Representative	Dean Adams
Administering the Osteopathic Oath	Bruce K. Fong, DO '97
Alumni Welcome	Bruce K. Fong, DO '97
Dean's Charge to the Graduates	Dean Adams
President's Closing Remarks	President Pumerantz
Recessional	"Fanfare and Grand March"

Music for Commencement performed by the Pomona Concert Band, Linda Taylor, Conductor and Musical Director.

Participation in the Commencement ceremony does not necessarily indicate completion of a degree program.

The student must meet all University requirements before a degree is conferred.

Photographs are being taken of individual graduates during the ceremony.

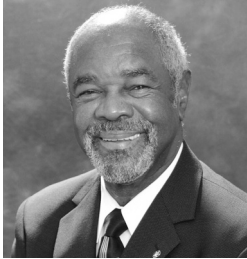
Class pictures are being taken immediately following the ceremony.

The audience is requested to remain standing during the processional and recessional.

Students are given the option of listing previous degrees earned and postdoctoral training sites.

Family and guests may be photographed for future University publications.

Commencement Speaker Biography



WILLIAM G. ANDERSON, I, DO. Past President of the American Osteopathic Association, Senior Advisor to the Dean Michigan State College of Osteopathic Medicine and is Vice President of Academic Affairs, Osteopathic Medical Education responsible for the development of osteopathic medical education programs for students, interns and residents at hospitals within the Detroit Medical Center (DMC).

Osteopathic Surgeons. He has received Doctorate of Humane Letters from Ohio University, the New England University, College of Osteopathic Medicine and the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. He also received a Doctorate of Science Degree from the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine and a Doctorate of Public Service from the University of North Texas Health Science Center.

Dr. Anderson served as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Osteopathic Association for 20 years. He is past President of the Michigan and the Wayne County Osteopathic Associations and previously served as President of the Michigan Osteopathic College Foundation. He is a life member of the NAACP and a former member of the Highland Park YMCA where he served for more than 25 years. He served on the Board of Trustees for Des Moines University for over 20 years. He is a former member of the Board of Directors of the Citizens Trust Bank in Atlanta, Georgia where he served for 24 years. He is a Trustee and member of the Properties Planning Committee of the Hartford Memorial Baptist Church - Detroit.

Dr. Anderson began his professional career in the practice of medicine and surgery in Albany, Georgia where he practiced for 6 years. During this time, he was a founder and first president of the Albany Movement, which spearheaded the Civil Rights Movement in Southwest Georgia. He subsequently completed his training in General Surgery in Detroit Michigan where he conducted a successful group surgical practice until 1984. Thereafter, he served as Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Office of the Michigan Health Corporation, Director of Governmental Affairs for the Detroit Osteopathic Hospital and Associate Director of Medical Education at Detroit Riverview Hospital until assuming his current position.

He married the former Norma Dixon of Atlanta, Georgia and is the proud father of 5, three of whom have followed him into careers in Osteopathic Medicine. He has a daughter who is a Detroit Empowerment Zone Program Director, and a second daughter who is Project Training Leader/Professional Development, State of Georgia. He is the proud grandfather of three.

Dr. Anderson is a graduate of the Des Moines University/College of Osteopathic Medicine where he earned the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree. He is certified in General Surgery and a Fellow of the American College of



Western University of Health Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific DO Class of 2009 Vision Statement

As we fully commit ourselves to the study of osteopathic medicine, we, the DO class of 2009 at Western University of Health Sciences, College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific, dedicate ourselves to the following values, principles and goals. We commit to live by these ideals throughout our education and into our personal and professional lives. As representatives of the osteopathic profession, we endeavor to act responsibly and with integrity while maintaining respect for ourselves and others.

Teamwork:

We are committed to working as part of the healthcare team. We as students will work with faculty, classmates, and others involved in our education to promote an environment where we can become the best possible physicians. As physicians we will join with other healthcare professionals to provide excellent healthcare. As students and physicians we will lead by example maintaining a robust sense of humor.

Duties to Society:

We are dedicated to acting as advocates for our patients to ensure they receive quality care. We will strive to educate society on healthcare issues so patients can take an active role in their health and wellness. We will promote social justice and promise to live our lives in service to society.

Lifelong Learning:

We commit to lifelong learning, to represent and advance our profession while maintaining the principles that guide us. We will remain confident in our abilities while acknowledging our limitations.

Balance:

Medicine is meant to enhance, not consume our lives. As we strive for excellence, the line between our personal and professional lives has the potential to blur. Therefore, we will continue to maintain balance which includes nurturing those relationships we cherish. We realize we must be true to our values and individuality.

As osteopathic physicians we pledge our commitment to this vision. We will stay true to the principles of altruism and empathy through all our interactions between our patients, colleagues, community, and families. Most importantly, we pledge to remain faithful to the reason we first set foot upon this honorable and humble path.

Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine

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*Graduate is member of Sigma Sigma Phi and in the top 20 percent of the graduating class. Sigma Sigma Phi was established to provide service to the University and profession and is the National Honorary Osteopathic Service Fraternity.

**Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Fellows – These students, originally scheduled to graduate in May 2008, spent one additional year serving the Department of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine as assistant teachers, counselors, and clinical demonstrators while gaining a broader experience in Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine.

PDT: Postdoctoral Training

Highest Honors: Student is in the top 3% of their graduating class.

Honors: Student is in the top 4-10% of their graduating class.

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Specialty: Psychiatry

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June 13, 1982

Dixon Arnett
Deputy Regional Director
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
“The Celebration of Achievement”

June 12, 1983

Captain (Commodore - Selectee) Louis H. Eske, DO, MC, USN
Commanding Officer
Naval Regional Medical Center, Long Beach, California
“The Health Care Profession - In Revolution or Renaissance?”

June 10, 1984

Rear Admiral Almon C. Wilson, MD, MC, USN
Deputy Director, Naval Medicine
“Patients, Physicians and New Technology -
A Fine Blend”

June 9, 1985

Astronaut Wally Schirra, Captain, USN (Ret.)
“The Greatest Obstacle to Being Heroic”

June 8, 1986

Ambassador L. Bruce Laingen
Vice President National Defense University
“The Health of Our National Spirit”

June 14, 1987

A. Mark Novitch, MD
Sr. Vice President
Upjohn Pharmaceutical
“The Future of Medicine - Who’s In Charge?”

June 12, 1988

Murray Goldstein, DO
Assistant U.S. Surgeon General
“Facts and Fictions”

June 11, 1989

Michael Josephson
President
The Josephson Institute
“Ethics is More than Good Business”

June 10, 1990

Ron Lapin, MD, PhD
“Medicine the Lost Art”

June 9, 1991

Norman Gevitz, PhD
Professor, University of Illinois
“The Reason to Be”

June 14, 1992

Edward E. Rosenbaum, MD
Physician and Author
“Humanism in Medicine”

June 13, 1993

Fitzhugh Mullan, MD
Assistant U.S. Surgeon General
“A Manifesto for the Medical Generalist”

June 12, 1994

Dick Beals
Radio Actor & Author
Speaker for College of Osteopathic Medicine
of the Pacific
“Think Big”

David Werdegard, MD

Director, Office of Statewide Health Planning
and Development
Speaker for School of Allied Health Professions
“The Importance of Allied Health Professionals
in Health Care Reform”

June 10, 1995

Honorable George E. Brown, Jr.
Congressman
“Look to the Mountain: A Broader View of Health”

June 1, 1996

Julie G. Madorsky, MD
Physical Medicine/Rehabilitation Physician & Educator
“Forging the Future Together”

June 14, 1997

Rev. Harold Henry Wilke
“Angels on Our Shoulder and Muses at Our Side”

June 6, 1998

Roger J. Bulger, MD
“Healing Persons Therapeutic Institutions”

June 3, 1999

John Roth, PhD
“Healing the Nation’s Wounds”

June 2, 2000

Jerome A. Halperin
“Four Rules”

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May 26, 2001

Reverend Chris Brown
“Earn It”

May 31, 2002

Edward Tessier, MS
“Let Compassion Lead You”

Kenneth P. Moritsugu, MD, MPH
“Medical Care, Health Care and Health”

May 16, 2003

Alfred E. Mann, MS
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer,
MannKind Corporation
“The Rewards of Giving to Society”
Speaker for College of Allied Health Professions,
College of Graduate Nursing
and College of Pharmacy

Jon Fong, DO ‘84
“A Whole in the Heart”
Speaker for College of Osteopathic Medicine
of the Pacific

May 13, 2004

Douglas L. Wood, DO, PhD
Speaker for College of Allied Health Professions
and College of Graduate Nursing

M. Patricia Lee
Speaker for College of Pharmacy

Barbara Ross-Lee, DO FACOFP
Speaker for College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific

May 12, 2005

Edward O’Neil, MPA, PhD
Speaker for College of Allied Health Professions
and College of Graduate Nursing

Byron F. Schweigert, PharmD
Speaker for College of Pharmacy

May 13, 2005

Clinton Adams, DO, MPA, FACHE, RADM, MC, USN (Ret.)
Speaker for College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific
“Who Needs a Doctor Anyway?”

May 11, 2006

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William Gouveia, MS, FASHP
Speaker for College of Pharmacy

May 12, 2006

Max D. Ray, PharmD, MS
Speaker for College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific

May 10, 2007

Stephen C. Crane, PhD, MPH
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and College of Graduate Nursing

The Honorable Mervyn M. Dymally, MA, PhD
Speaker for College of Pharmacy

May 11, 2007

Joyce M. Johnson, DO, MA
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Betty White
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May 15, 2008

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May 16, 2008

Larry A. Mullins, DHA, FACHE
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The Osteopathic Oath



I do hereby affirm my loyalty to the profession I am about to enter.

I will be ever mindful of my great responsibility to preserve the health and life of my patients, to retain their confidence and respect both as a physician and a friend, to perform my professional duties, and to employ only those recognized methods of treatment consistent with good judgement, keeping in mind always nature's laws and the body's inherent capacity for recovery. I will give no drugs for deadly purposes to any person though it be asked of me.

I will be always vigilant in aiding the general welfare of the community and will not engage in those practices which will in any way bring shame or discredit to myself or to my profession.

I will endeavor to work in accord with my colleagues in a spirit of progressive cooperation. I will look, with respect and esteem, upon those who have taught me my art. To my college, I will be loyal and strive always for its best interests and for the interests of the students who will come after me. I will be alert to further the appreciation of basic biological truths and to develop the principles of Osteopathic Medicine.

In the presence of this gathering I bind myself to my oath.

Academic Regalia



American academic costume had its origins in the 11th-12th century European universities when gowns distinguished doctors, masters and bachelors from other segments of the population.

THE GOWN — Although it may originally have been worn as protection against unheated medieval buildings, the academic gown today symbolizes the democracy of scholarship because it covers any dress of rank or social standing underneath. It is usually black.

THE CAP — When Roman law freed the slave, he won the privilege of wearing a cap. The academic cap is a sign of the freedom and responsibility of scholarship. The color of the tassel denotes the discipline.

THE HOOD — The hood is lined with the official color of the college or university. The color of the facing denotes the discipline represented by the degree. Colors associated with different degrees are: Arts, white; Business, drab; Economics, copper; Education, light blue; Engineering, orange; Fine Arts, brown; Hospital Administration, salmon; Journalism, crimson; Law, purple; Medicine, kelly green; Music, pink; Nursing, apricot; Philosophy, dark blue; Public Administration, peacock blue; Science, golden yellow; Social Service, citron; and Theology, scarlet; Veterinary Medicine, grey; Pharmacy, olive; and Physical Therapy, sage green.

The University Mace



The University mace is identified with the Office of the President and is carried in academic processions at commencement and convocation ceremonies. The University Marshal has the honor of serving as the macebearer at these events.

Historical maces date back to the 13th century when they were first carried as ceremonial symbols of royal authority at events attended by English kings.

The university mace was first used at the charter class graduation of the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific (COMP) in 1982. The mace depicts the university seal, with the torch of knowledge coiled by a single serpent in the fashion of the caduceus, set before a range of mountain peaks representing the pinnacle of academic achievement. The crowning ornament is a brass orb. Engraved upon a band encircling the mace shaft are the words: **“EDUCATING HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS IN THE OSTEOPATHIC TRADITION.”** The founding year of the University's founding college is also engraved on a band in Roman numerals. The mace is permanently displayed in the President's office.

The President's Medallion and Collar



The President's medallion is in the form of the University Seal and is made of solid sterling silver with 22-karat gold overlay. The President's Collar consists of black velvet with gold trim. It serves as a field for six medals that depict memorable milestones and significant aspects of Western University of Health Sciences, including: the founding of the original college, the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific (COMP), in September 1977; the graduation of the charter class in June 1982; and the transition of COMP to Western University of Health Sciences in August 1996. Other medals on the President's Collar include WesternU's slogan: To Teach, To Heal, Together; WesternU's core values: Caring, Compassion, Scientific Excellence; and a medal commemorating "National Influence and Leadership."

The Pomona Concert Band



The Pomona Concert Band, now in its 62nd season of bringing musical enjoyment to the Pomona Valley, was organized in November of 1947. Since that time, the Band has been an important part of musical activity in the Pomona Valley. The Band performs at major civic events, gives concerts for neighboring cities and presents a summer series of ten Thursday evening concerts in Ganesha Park. The Band rehearses and performs throughout the year, and it is built basically on adult membership; however, outstanding high school and college musicians are invited to audition for membership. The Pomona Concert Band is proud to be a part of the community it serves and to represent the City of Pomona.

The Flags



The 15 flags on stage represent the western states that the institution was originally established to serve. Since then, WesternU has grown to serve health care education world-wide.

Alaska	Hawaii	New Mexico	Utah
Arizona	Idaho	North Dakota	Washington
California	Montana	Oregon	Wyoming
Colorado	Nevada	South Dakota	

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