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ARMY OFFICERS EARN MEDICAL, GRADUATE, NURSING DEGREES AT UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY

BETHESDA, Md. – Eighty-five U.S. Army officers were among 245 students recognized during the 25th Commencement of the Uniformed Services University's F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine and Graduate School of Nursing.

There were 64 medical and 14 graduate students from the School of Medicine, as well as seven from the Graduate School of Nursing.

USU's 25th Commencement ceremony was held May 15 at the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Constitution Hall in Washington, D.C.

Retired U.S. Army Gen. Barry R. McCaffrey was the Commencement 2004 guest speaker. General McCaffrey was also one of three honorary degree recipients, receiving the degree of Doctor of Military Medicine, *Honoris Causa*. The Honorable C.W. Bill Young, U.S. Representative from Florida, and the Honorable John P. Murtha, Jr., U.S. Representative from Pennsylvania, both received the degree of Doctor of Medical Jurisprudence, *Honoris Causa*, but were not present at the ceremony.

USU was established by Congress under the Department of Defense in 1972 and has the nation's only fully accredited federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing. With its motto "Learning to Care for Those in Harm's Way," the university has a worldwide reputation as a center of excellence for military medical education and research.

F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine

Sixty-four Army officers were among 164 medical students graduating from the F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine.

The Honorable Everett Alvarez, Jr., chairman of USU Board of Regents, and retired Navy Capt. Larry Laughlin, dean of the school of medicine, conferred the medical degrees. Dean Laughlin also administered the Hippocratic Oath to the graduates.

Maj. Gen. Kevin C. Kiley, commanding general of the North Atlantic Regional Medical Command, reaffirmed the Oath of Office to the Army students, who were promoted to captain upon graduation and commissioned as medical corps officers.

The year-round, four-year school of medicine's curriculum is nearly 700 hours – or about 20 weeks – longer than those found at other U.S. medical schools. The extra hours focus on epidemiology, health promotion, disease prevention, tropical medicine, leadership and field exercises, medical effects of weapons of mass destruction, and other subjects that relate to the unique requirements of career-oriented military physicians.

Below are the Army doctor of medicine graduates for the Class of 2004, who will perform their internships at the locations listed:

Capt. Michael V. Arnett, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
Capt. Drew G. Belnap, Madigan AMC, Wash.
* **Capt. John Heber Boden**, Madigan AMC, Wash.
* **Capt. Matthew Arnold Borgman**, San Antonio Uniformed Services Health Education Center, Texas
* **Capt. Alexander W. Brown**, D.D. Eisenhower AMC, Ga.
Capt. Craig Michael Bush, National Capital Consortium, Washington, DC
Capt. Michael S. Cahill, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
Capt. Brian James Carr, William Beaumont AMC, Texas
Capt. Matthew Scott Chambers, Womack AMC, N.C.
* **Capt. Robert James Samuel Cornfeld**, Madigan AMC, Wash.
Capt. Mark S. Craig, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
Capt. Kevin L. Cummings, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. David Andrew Djuric, NCC, Washington, DC
* **Capt. Andrew Robert Gilbert**, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
Capt. Karen B. Tarm Guerrero, SAUSHEC, Texas
Capt. Kara-Marie Agatha Hack, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
* **Capt. Jordan M. Hall**, SAUSHEC, Texas
* **Capt. Brandon Gregory Hamilton**, SAUSHEC, Texas
Capt. Tristan Monroe Harrison, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. Nathan Erik Hartvigsen, Tripler AMC, Hawaii

Capt. Christopher Chih-Po Higgins, William Beaumont AMC, Texas
 * **Capt. Thomas N. Hoffmann**, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
Capt. John D. Horton, William Beaumont AMC, Texas
Capt. Bruce L. James, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
Capt. Bryan M. Johnson, D.D. Eisenhower AMC, Ga.
Capt. Erik Robert Johnson, Madigan AMC, Wash.
 * **Capt. Andrew Kagel**, Darnall ACH, Texas
Capt. Theresa Ann Kehl, Madigan AMC, Wash.
Capt. Michael J. Kilbourne, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. Camilo Young-Woo Kim, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
Capt. Eugene Hong Kim, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. Adrian T. Kress, NCC, Washington, DC
 * **Capt. Michael John Licata**, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. Jeffrey Russell Limjuco, Madigan AMC, Washington
Capt. Jeffrey Robert Livezey, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. Romarius Lamar Longmire, Madigan AMC, Wash.
 * **Capt. Erik Scott Manninen**, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. Alex John McKinlay, SAUSHEC, Texas
 * **Capt. Brian Christopher McLean**, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
 * **Capt. Paul Matthew Michaud**, D.D. Eisenhower AMC, Ga.
Capt. Christopher Shane Murphy, Madigan AMC, Wash.
Capt. Dayne M. Nelson, Madigan AMC, Wash.
Capt. Phu Tan Nguyen, Madigan AMC, Wash.
Capt. Robert Lee Oak, Madigan AMC, Wash.
Capt. Joshua C. Packard, SAUSHEC, Texas
Capt. Jisoo Park, D.D. Eisenhower AMC, Ga.
Capt. Jennifer H. Perkins, SAUSHEC, Texas
Capt. Michael Paul Perkins, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. Nader Z. Rabie, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
Capt. Christine M. Rey Hipolito, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
Capt. Joshua Samuel Ritenour, SAUSHEC, Texas
Capt. Dennis Mungcal Sarmiento, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. Daniel Cole Sessions, Madigan AMC, Wash.
Capt. Benjamin H. Smith, D.D. Eisenhower AMC, Ga.
Capt. Darren Christopher Spearman, SAUSHEC, Texas
Capt. Daniel J. Tolson, SAUSHEC, Texas
Capt. Christopher John Tucker, SAUSHEC, Texas
 * **Capt. Amy Elizabeth Vertrees**, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. Todd A. Wichman, William Beaumont AMC, Texas
Capt. Scott Graeme Williams, NCC, Washington, DC
Capt. Agnieszka Olga Gaweska Wojciehowski, Madigan AMC, Wash.
Capt. David Anthony Wonderlich, Jr., SAUSHEC, Texas
 * **Capt. Kimberly Janne Wonderlich**, SAUSHEC, Texas
Capt. Yang Xia, NCC, Washington, DC

*Elected to Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society

School of Medicine's Graduate Program

Fourteen U.S. Army officers were among 56 graduates in the School of Medicine's Graduate

Program in biomedical sciences and public health. They are:

Doctor of philosophy
Lt. Col. Keith Steele

Doctor of public health
Lt. Col. Kelly Vest

Master of military medical history
Maj. Lewis Barger

Master of public health
Capt. Kimberly Beck
Maj. Elizabeth Berbano
Maj. Michael Bonhage
Capt. Lynden Bowden III
Lt. Col. Wayne Hachey
Maj. Anne MacLarty
Maj. Christopher Medellin
Maj. Vincent Moore
Capt. William Otto
Lt. Col. Elspeth Ritchie
Col. Richard Schaefer

Graduate School of Nursing

Six U.S. Army students in the GSN's nurse practitioner program received their master of science in nursing degrees at graduation, and one student in the nurse anesthesia program was recognized at graduation, but will complete the master's degree requirements this fall.

They are:

Family Nurse Practitioner Program
*** Maj. Jamie Cornali**
Maj. Carla Crouch
***Capt. Jana Gainok**
Capt. Jennifer Glidewell
***Capt. Barbara Reilly**
Capt. (P) Joan Riordan

Nurse Anesthesia Program
***Capt. Christian Swift**

*** Elected to Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society**