
ROCKY VISTA UNIVERSITY
MASTER OF
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES

CLASS OF 2023

INDUCTION CEREMONY
FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2022



PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S WELCOME



Welcome to the Rocky Vista University Physician Assistant Program's White Coat Induction Ceremony! The White Coat Ceremony is a rite of passage that marks the student's transition from pre-clinical instruction to clinical training. The ceremony signifies the next step in the rewarding and challenging journey toward becoming a clinician. As students enter into the clinical phase of training, they will apply what they have learned in the classroom and accept the honor and responsibility to serve and care for others as a collaborative member of the healthcare team.

The white coat symbolizes a critical part of a student's education—a standard of professionalism and caring and an emblem of the trust they must earn from their supervisors and patients. It serves as a reminder that humanism and professionalism are at the core of healthcare.

The RVU PA Program is proud to present the members of the Class of 2023 as they don their white coats in preparation to enter clinical training. We look forward to supporting their continued development along the path to becoming clinically competent physician assistants.

Sincerely,

Cathy Ruff, MS, PA-C
Chair and Program Director
Physician Assistant Program

PA PROGRAM MISSION

The mission of the Rocky Vista University Physician Assistant Program is to prepare clinically competent, collaborative, and compassionate physician assistants to provide primary care.

PA INDUCTION CEREMONY

STUDENT PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROCESSIONAL

WELCOME FROM THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM

Cathy Ruff, MS, PA-C

WELCOME FROM ROCKY VISTA UNIVERSITY

David Forstein, DO, FACOOG

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Peggy Walsh, MS, PA-C

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE WHITE COAT

Joseph Stasio, DO, FACOFP

PRESENTATION OF THE PA WHITE COAT

Cathy Ruff, MS, PA-C

CLOSING REMARKS

Cathy Ruff, MS, PA-C

STUDENT RECESSIONAL

Melanie Adams
Jacob Blumenfeld
Katharine Bronson
Ryan Carroll
Desmond Chee
Megan Cleek
Sara Devine
Grace Ferdowski
Allyssa Funk
Gianna Gehrke
Jessica Guillaume
Corbin Hall
Alexandria Hillesheim
Louise Hill-Stirling
Katerina Hoffmann
Chad Keller
Bonnie Lin

Matthew Littleton
Gage Lovern
Megan Mertz
Mackenzie Oliver
Gannon Parker
Paige Petrone
Johnathan Puhalla
Courtney Rainwater
Sarah Rudo
Avery Sheiner
Jaime Short
Prisca To
Tevin Trinh
Dallin Trout
Kristen Valente
Rebecca Waiono
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