

**ROCKY VISTA UNIVERSITY
MASTER OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES**

CLASS OF 2024

INDUCTION CEREMONY

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2023



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 2024 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 PROCESSIONAL

WELCOME FROM THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM

Cathy Ruff, MS, PA-C

WELCOME FROM ROCKY VISTA UNIVERSITY

Ed Bilsky, PhD

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Maria Rennaker, MS, MPAS

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE WHITE COAT

Joseph Stasio, DO, FACOPF

PRESENTATION OF THE PA WHITE COAT

CLOSING REMARKS

Cathy Ruff, MS, PA-C

STUDENT RECESSIONAL

Martin Aguilar
Sydney Allen
Dylan Berman
Sarah Brenner
Alison Burch
John Carey
Luis Chavez
Sheridan Decker
Madison Emmett
Wendy Gray
Meghan Grycza
Mera Habib
Emma Hesse
Nicolette Holcomb
Andrea Hultgren
Haley Kagimoto
Kathryn Keller

Courtney Krause
Ashli Mendoza
Alina Nohr
Megan Reali
Robert Ringwall
Ellery Roberts
Erin Ryan
Tariq Sakoury
Haley Segelke
Alexandra Skender
Samantha Smith
Ashley Spellman
Jenna Steins
Felicity Taylor
Tori Thorley
Kendra Verkinderen
Grace Williams

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