

ROCKY VISTA UNIVERSITY
MASTER OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES

CLASS OF 2026

WHITE COAT CEREMONY

THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2025



ROCKY VISTA
UNIVERSITY

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S WELCOME



Welcome to the Rocky Vista University Physician Assistant Program's White Coat 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 2026 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 RVU PA Program prepares clinically competent, collaborative, compassionate PAs through a rigorous, hands-on curriculum, to serve the needs of diverse communities

PA INDUCTION CEREMONY

STUDENT PROCESSIONAL

WELCOME FROM THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM

Cathy Ruff, MS, PA-C

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Breanna Bollar, MPAS, PA-C

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE WHITE COAT

Joseph Stasio, DO, FACOPF

PRESENTATION OF THE PA WHITE COAT

CLOSING REMARKS

Cathy Ruff, MS, PA-C

STUDENT RECESSIONAL

Ian Chubb
Jane Edmonds
Emma Espino
Nathan Geer
Cameron Green
Leigh Hamby
Mary Harrison
Austin Hill
Melissa Hillenbrand
Rommel Hudson
Omed Isam
James King
Landrie Lewallen
Kendall Lyman
Kelsey Melany
Jordan Mullins

Ian Obeldobel
John Paquette
Kathryn Plichta
Alina Roberston
Sydney Rosinsky
Phillip Savin
Raul Silva
Ana Sisneros
Erin Smith
Claire Touslee
Nicollette Wales
Baylee Ware
Nicole Wilson
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