



Dartmouth
GEISEL SCHOOL OF
MEDICINE

Health Sciences Investiture Ceremony

Friday, June 12, 2026
Hopkins Center for the Arts
Spaulding Auditorium
Hanover, New Hampshire



Academic Procession

Bagpiper

James Feeney, MED '00, MEd, MHCM, FACS

Chief Marshal

Steven D. Leach, MD

Interim Dean

Professor of Molecular and Systems Biology, Surgery, and Medicine

Preston T. and Virginia R. Kelsey Distinguished Chair in Cancer

Geisel School of Medicine

Faculty Marshal

Jeremiah R. Brown, PhD '06, MS '03

Founding Director, Dartmouth Center for Implementation Science

Professor of Epidemiology, Health Policy, Biomedical Data Science

Geisel School of Medicine

Student Marshals

Raven J. Bradley

Leah Renee LaCross

Kennedy Alyce Price

Kenechukwu Sibeudu

Margaret Sturtevant White

Platform Party

Faculty

Candidates for Degree

Presiding and Welcome Remarks

Steven D. Leach, MD

Investiture Address

Carlos del Rio, MD, MACP, FIDSA

H. Cliff Sauls Distinguished Professor of Medicine

Chair of Department of Medicine

Emory University School of Medicine

Student Speaker

Nupoor Marwah

Presentation of Degree Candidates

Tara K. Cunningham, EdD, MS

Associate Dean of Student Life

Geisel School of Medicine

Master of Health Administration

Adam M. Kleinbaum, DBA

Professor of Leadership and Organizations

Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth

Master of Public Health

Alicia L. Battle, PhD, MCHE, MS

Assistant Dean of Public Health Programs

Assistant Professor of Health Policy and Clinical Practice

Geisel School of Medicine



Master of Science

Jennifer A. Emond, PhD, MS

Assistant Dean of Health Sciences Programs
Associate Professor of Biomedical Data Science and Pediatrics
Geisel School of Medicine

Hoarding of Degree Candidates

Katherine J. Milligan, D '90, PhD, MBA T '07

Associate Dean of Health Care Management Education
Adjunct Professor
Tuck School of Business

Craig R. Westling, DrPH, MPH '09, MS

Associate Dean of Health Sciences Education
Assistant Professor of Health Policy and Clinical Practice
Geisel School of Medicine

Presentation of Diplomas

Steven D. Leach, MD

Assisted by

Alexandra T. Rich

Registrar
Geisel School of Medicine

Liz A. Koelsch

Associate Registrar
Geisel School of Medicine



Recitation of the Scientific Oath

Craig R. Westling, DrPH, MPH '09, MS

Alumni Address

Shontay Delaloue, PhD, MPH '24

Adjunct Assistant Professor of Health Policy and Clinical Practice
Geisel School of Medicine

Senior Vice President
Dartmouth College

Closing Remarks

Steven D. Leach, MD

Recessional



Candidates for the Degree of Master of Health Administration

Ashlee Zhanay Alexander

Andra M. Allen

Adrienne Beckett-Ansa

Raven J. Bradley

Sophia Castaldo

Taylor Ashlyn Clewell

Phoenix Nicole Davis

Armin Kaur Dhillon

Mia Janine Drury

Jordan Dunaway-Barlow

Miguel Luis Baja Facundo

Samad Fakhar

Andrea Viviana Sandoval Garcia

Celeste de la Rosa Guerrero

Lori Hartnett

Michael Hietala

Homam Khattab

Joanne Hayoung Kim

Grace Madalyn Wiebe King

Nicholas Jens LaBonde

Benjamin Langholz

Nicole Mary Lawless

Isabella Dianne Martingano

Sophie Read McNichols

Jessica Moffitt

Sebastian José Romero Morell

Kyle Olsen

Alexandra Lee Phillips

Johanna P. Riera Puma

Nathanael Quiala

Raghav Sanan

Cameron Slavkin

Khushi Umesh Thakkar

Jessica L. Justice Vogt

Joseph Z. Warren

Azan Yousaf

Candidates for the Degree of Master of Public Health

Ogochukwu Chiamaka Agali

Isha Akolia

Claire Alford

Alexander N. Antonuccio*

Maryn Justice White Arnipalli

Sarah Elizabeth Auletta

Trisha Badjatia

Reto Marc Baertschiger

Shannon N. Battle

Jillian L. Berch

Sarah Bienstock*

Katharine Bixby

Ryan Nicholas Blumenfeld*

Aerin Alana Brown*

Lillian Helms Bryant

Virginia Soon Burkhart

Preyashi Chaudhuri

Sydra Curtin Cooperdock

John Ananda Cotter

Ana Karen Davila-Palafox

Jenna Lauren DeLucca

Rose Mary Dever

Lawrence Joseph Evans

Angela Falcone

Anna Folta

Kristen Juniper Ford

Aditi Goyal

Snehal Gupta

Noor Habona

Dargan Grace Harris

Kayla Hergott Heiny*

Emily Taylor Hilderbrand

Stephanie Itumba

Vinaya Jaikumar

Apara Sai Jella

Abbygale Esther Karlen

Divya Kaushal

Enrico Corvera Khu

Shahed Emad Khudaier

Zoë Vande Kieft

Olivia Da-hyun Kim

Pranati Kuchimanchi

Hannah Rose LaPointe

Annika Lars*

Miranda Mai Lee-Foltz

Vivianna Belle Lindley

Gabriel Sand Loud

Joseph Anthony Martínez

Leigh-Ann McIntosh

Praburaman Mohan

Pyone Lei Lei Mon
Rebecca Monaco
Quinn Perry Moore
Jahnae Elizabeth Morgan
Shreya Motaganahalli
Zinne Ola Njoku
Caitlin Descovich O'Hare
Alesandra Pardini
Arshi Parvez
Pooja Patel
Sophia Elizabeth Patton
Midhula Pillai
Kennedy Alyce Price
Braedon C. Quinlan
Gabriella d'Alvina Dumas Rivera
Nicole M. Roeper
Skylar Elizabeth Rollins
Hannah Bridget Ross

Larissa Monet Decora Scott
MaryBeth Semosky
Colleen Marie Sherry
Sahil Syed Shuaib
Amal Firdous Siddiqui
Shannon Sofia Staples
Jayden Carol Tabor
Kamryn Simone Thomas
Blake Truong
David J. Tuck
Dorcia J. Tucker
Neha Uppalapati
Kerrie Lynn Verbeek
Yubo Kate Wang*
Margaret Sturtevant White
Sarah Grace Williams
Jennifer Sari Zwerling

*MPH-MBA

Candidates for the Degree of Master of Science

Jamie John Beaton

Implementation Science

Stephanie Benedictus

Healthcare Research

Gauri Bhandarwar

Health Data Science

Tanya Budhiraja

Health Data Science

Ayei Chang

Epidemiology

John Elliott DeForest

Health Data Science

Cameron Ruth Diehl

Health Data Science

Yihe Ding

Health Data Science

Vui Ngoc Doan

Epidemiology

Prerana Dubey

Health Data Science

Terry D. Flood, Sr.

Implementation Science

Isha Ganavdiya

Health Data Science

Hazal Yagmur Gurcan

Implementation Science

Shuwen Hou

Health Data Science

Isabelle Kressy

Health Data Science

Leah Renee LaCross

Implementation Science

Ruiqi Li

Health Data Science

Xinqiao Li

Health Data Science

Jeff Lichtfuss

Implementation Science

Shiqi Lyu

Health Data Science

Nupoor Marwah

Epidemiology

Isabel Keats Mikheev

Health Data Science

Evelyn M. Page

Epidemiology

Bingxiang Peng

Health Data Science

Ryan Michael Pontius

Health Data Science

Estefano Reyes

Health Data Science

Rhea Sarmah

Health Data Science

Ava Schroeder

Healthcare Research

Kendall Ray Scott, Jr.

Implementation Science

Jenny Shen

Health Data Science

Kenechukwu Sibeudu

Health Data Science

Ziyi Sun

Health Data Science

Duanduan Wang

Health Data Science

Katelyn Marie Wasacz

Healthcare Research

Mengying Xia

Health Data Science

Xinyi Yu

Health Data Science

Ruining (Sabrina) Zhou

Health Data Science

Scientific Oath

I pledge to practice in my profession with honor and will faithfully act in ways that aim to improve health and systems of healthcare and to close the evidence-to-practice gap locally and globally, from the lab to the clinic to the community.

I will contribute to a diverse and inclusive community in order to enrich and advance public health, biomedical science, implementation science, and health care by fostering innovation and tackling the most vexing challenges in the health sciences.

I pledge to honorably and respectfully represent the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth as a graduate, and will promote Geisel's values of scientific excellence, integrity, and community moving forward.



Investiture Speaker Biography

Carlos del Rio, MD, MACP, FIDSA

Dr. del Rio is the H. Cliff Sauls Distinguished Professor of Medicine and Chair of the Department of Medicine at Emory University School of Medicine. He is also Professor of Epidemiology and Global Health at the Rollins school of Public Health and co-PI of the Emory Center for AIDS Research (CFAR) and co-PI of the Emory Vaccine Treatment and Evaluation Unit. Dr. del Rio is a native of Mexico where he attended medical school at Universidad La Salle, graduating with honors in 1983. He did his Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases residencies at Emory University. In 1989 he returned to Mexico where he was Executive Director of the National AIDS Council of Mexico (CONASIDA, the Federal agency of the Mexican Government responsible for AIDS Policy throughout Mexico), from 1992 through 1996. In November of 1996 he returned to Emory where he has been involved in teaching and research. Dr. del Rio has held multiple leadership positions at Emory including Chief of the Emory Medical Service at Grady Memorial Hospital (2001 – 2009), Chair of the Hubert Department of Global Health (2009 – 2019), Executive Associate Dean for Emory at Grady (2019 – 2023) and Interim Dean of the School of Medicine (2023 – 24).

Dr. del Rio is a global leader in research on improving access to diagnosis and care for hard-to-reach populations at risk for and living with HIV. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. del Rio was a leader locally and nationally, doing research, developing policies, writing scientific publications, and making countless media appearances. He advised municipal, state, and national leaders and served on the national advisory committee of the COVID Collaborative, which focuses on developing consensus recommendations and engaging with U.S. leaders on effective policy and coronavirus response. Dr. del Rio was named as one of the “50 most trusted experts” and recognized by the HHS Secretary as a “Trusted Messenger”.

Dr. del Rio is Chief Section Editor for HIV/AIDS for NEJM Journal Watch Infectious Diseases and Associate Editor for Vaccines as well as member of the editorial board of Journal of AIDS and Global Public Health. He has co-authored 30 book chapters and over 600 scientific papers.

Dr. del Rio is the former Chair of the Scientific Advisory Board of PEPFAR, member of UNAIDS Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee and past president of the Infectious Diseases Society of America. In 2013 Dr. del Rio was elected to the National Academy of Medicine, and, in 2020, he was elected as the International Secretary of the National Academy of Medicine. In 2022 he was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Acknowledgement of Honors and Awards Previously Recognized

Delta Omega Honor Society

Claire Elizabeth Alford, Maryn Justice White Arnipalli, Trisha Badjatia,
Jillian L. Berch, Anna Folta, Divya Kaushal, Olivia Da-hyun Kim,
Joseph Anthony Martínez, Alesandra Isabella Pardini, Midhula Pillai,
Kennedy Alyce Price, Braedon C. Quinlan, MaryBeth Semosky,
Colleen Marie Sherry, Dorcia J. Tucker, Kerrie Lynn Verbeek,
Jennifer Sari Zwerling

Excellence in Independent Internship Award

Snehal Gupta, Shreya Motaganahalli,
Colleen Marie Sherry, Margaret Sturtevant White

Excellence in Integrated Learning Experience Award

Rebecca Monaco, Ava Schroeder, Colleen Marie Sherry

Excellence in Practicum Award

Sarah Elizabeth Auletta, Ana Karen Davila-Palafox,
Abbygale Esther Karlen, Divya Kaushal, Pranati Kuchimanchi,
Kennedy Alyce Price, MaryBeth Semosky

Health Sciences Research Award

Tanya Budhiraja

Health Sciences Scholar Award

Estefano Reyes

Henry Masters Award

Joseph Anthony Martínez and Rebecca Monaco

Karen Ashley Leadership Award

Praburaman Mohan and Kennedy Alyce Price

Social Justice Award

Ogochukwu Chiamaka Agali, Anna Folta, Aditi Goyal, Snehal Gupta,
Stephanie Itumba, Joseph Anthony Martínez, Praburaman Mohan,
Rebecca Monaco, Jahnae Elizabeth Morgan, Kennedy Alyce Price,
Gabriella d'Alvina Dumas Rivera, Jayden Carol Tabor, Kerrie Lynn Verbeek

John E. Wennberg Award

Ava Schroeder



About the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth

Founded in 1797, the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth strives to improve the lives of the communities it serves through excellence in learning, discovery, and healing. The Geisel School of Medicine is renowned for its leadership in medical education, health care policy and delivery science, biomedical research, global health, and in creating innovations that improve lives worldwide. As one of America's leading medical schools, Dartmouth's Geisel School of Medicine is committed to training new generations of diverse leaders who will help solve our most vexing challenges in health care.



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