



The Sue & Bill Gross
School of Nursing
2021 Recognition Ceremony

UCI Sue & Bill Gross
School of Nursing

Saturday, June 12, 2021 | 8 AM

Program

Welcoming Remarks

PhD Student Speaker

DNP Student Speaker

MS Student Speakers

BS Student Speakers

Pinning Recognition

Presentation of Graduates

Closing Remarks

Founding Dean's Message

To our 2021 Graduates:



As the Founding Dean of the Sue & Bill Gross School of Nursing, I am thrilled to congratulate our graduating Class of 2021. Having successfully navigated the most historic challenges of our times, the culmination of your professional degree is truly exceptional. I have been following your amazing accomplishments over the years, and feel honored that you have embraced the UCI School of Nursing as your foundation in nursing science, wherein our exceptional and dedicated faculty have prepared you well as you become catalysts in transforming health care for our nation.

As our School of Nursing is embedded in a legacy of promoting the health of families and communities, we take great pride in having played a role in your exciting future. No matter which specialty of nursing you choose to enter, you will have the opportunity to significantly promote health of the population in local, national, and global communities. As nurses, you are the leading voice in providing care through innovation and compassion to people from many walks of life. We urge you to find your passion, hone your talents, and nurture them so that you can shape the health of our nation to help end disparities and create healthy places to live, work, and play.

We look forward to hearing about your achievements, dreams, and the pursuit of further education. We are proud to see you join the ranks of notable UCI nursing alumni. Once again, my warmest congratulations to the Class of 2021!

Thank you for the honor of serving as your Dean,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adey Nyamathi". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Adey Nyamathi, PhD, ANP, FAAN

Founding Dean and Distinguished Professor UCI Sue & Bill Gross School of Nursing

School of Nursing Faculty

Stephanie Au, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
Assistant Clinical Professor

Miriam Bender, PhD, RN
Associate Dean for Academic and Student Affairs,
Associate Professor

Nakia Best, PhD, RN
Assistant Professor

Jill Berg, PhD, RN
Professor Emeritus

Dawn Bounds, PhD, PMHNP-BC
Assistant Professor

Sara Brown, PhD(c), EdD, MSN, RN
Associate Clinical Professor

Mike Bueno, PhD(c), MSN
Assistant Clinical Professor

Leanne Burke, EdD, MSN, CNM, RNC-OB
Associate Clinical Professor

Candace Burton, PhD, RN, AFN-BC, AGN-BC, FNAP
Associate Professor

Sarah Campbell, DNP(c), MS, APRN, FNP-C
Assistant Clinical Professor

Lorraine S. Evangelista, PhD, APRN, CNS, FAHA, FAAN
Emeritus Professor

Michelle A. Fortier, PhD
Associate Professor

Yuqing Guo, PhD, RN
Associate Professor

E. Alison Holman, PhD, APRN, FNP, FAAN
Professor

Angela Jun, DNP, FNP-BC, ACHPN
Clinical Professor

Jung-Ah Lee, PhD, RN
Associate Professor

Maureen Movius, MN, APRN, CNS, CMSRN
Retired Professor

Ruth A. Mulnard, DNSc, RN
Associate Professor Emeritus

Tiffany K. Nielsen, DNP, APRN, FNP-C
Assistant Clinical Professor

Adey Nyamathi, PhD, ANP, FAAN
Founding Dean and Distinguished Professor

Ellen Olshansky, PhD, APRN, WHNP-BC, FAAN
Professor Emeritus

Jung In Park, PhD, RN
Assistant Professor

Nisa Patel, MS, FNP-C
HS Clinical Instructor

Susanne J. Phillips, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, FAANP
Associate Dean of Clinical Affairs,
Clinical Professor

Melissa D. Pinto, PhD, RN, FSAHM, FAAN
Associate Professor

Amir Rahmani, PhD
Assistant Professor

Vanessa Rodriguez, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
HS Assistant Clinical Professor

Kathleen Saunders, MSN, APRN, CNS, CPN, PHN
Retired Associate Clinical Professor

Sanghyuk Shin, PhD
Associate Professor

Elizabeth Symanski, MS, APRN, FNP-C
HS Assistant Clinical Instructor Professor

Susan M. Tiso, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, FAANP
Retired Clinical Professor

Candice Whealon, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
HS Assistant Clinical Professor

Awards & Recognition

Elizabeth C. Tierney Nursing Scholarship

Chigozirim Rowland Chinedu Tinjia Hwang

Ellen Olshansky Founding Director's Award

Danisha Jenkins

Feizel and Dorothy Waffarn MEPN Scholarship in Maternal and Child Health

Jackie Valera

Felix Schwarz Nursing Science Student Award

An Chac Helena Cuellar

Mary Hannacker Scholarship

Aryanna Dashtgerd Jennifer Nguyen Calvin Xu

Nursing Leadership Award

Sabrina Turallo Dela Roca Aileen Fletcher

Suzanne Leider Nursing Award

Megan Grace Bersamira

Chancellor's Award of Distinction

Sabrina Turallo Dela Roca Aileen Fletcher Michelle Rafaela Heredia
Katie Teixeira Calvin Xu

Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Research

Hannah Angel Vasquez

Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) Fellow

Helena Cuellar Katie Teixeira Hannah Angel Vasquez

Eligible for Latin Honors

Miranda Apalategui Sophia Costa Aryanna Dashtgerd
Kyle Dorsett Aileen Fletcher Tinjia Hwang
Calvin Xu

Phi Beta Kappa

2020 Recipient: Calvin Xu
2021 Nominees: Kyle Dorsett Thu Kate Vu Michelle Rafaela Heredia

Graduate Division Eugene Cota-Robles Fellowship

Danisha Jenkins

Graduate Division Public Impact Fellowship

Danisha Jenkins

Class Speakers & Representatives

Doctor of Philosophy Class Speaker

Danisha Jenkins

Doctor of Nursing Practice Representative & Speaker

Pat Patton

Master of Science Class Representatives & Speakers

Holly Borg & Anthony Limon

Bachelor of Science Class Representatives & Speakers

Sabrina Turallo Dela Roca & Abigael Reyes

Candidates for Doctor of Nursing Practice

Pat Patton

Ashley Plummer

Candidates for Doctor of Philosophy

Dina Elias

Danisha Jenkins

Candidates for Master of Science

Kafayat Adebiyi

Alyssa Cortez

Priscilla Medina

Cindy S. Agus

Stefanie Garcia

Toni Norton

Katie Araya

Claire Gilpin

Jose Ruben Pedroza

Megan Grace Bersamira

Jasmine Hsu

Quan Pham

Dema Majdi Bitar

Dalia Leon

Juan Reyes

Holly Borg

Anthony Limon

Meagan Schuler

Jonathan Oswaldo Cisneros

Kelly Ma

Jackie Valera

Candidates for Bachelor of Science

Clara Anguiano

Kristina Vi Le

Miranda Apalategui

Sophia Li

Lauren Bowen

Hannah Makowetski

An Chac

Stephanie Gloria McClean*

Phoebe Chen

Patricia Mendoza

Sharon Chi*

Zean Sheldon Noel C. Mojica

Chigozirim Rowland Chinedu*

Bianca Grace Ang Mose

MinJeong Cho

Maryam Naqvi

Sophia Costa*

Jennifer Nguyen

Kelley N. Cowan

Steven Le Nguyen

Helena Cuellar*

Tomas N. Parada

Aryanna Dashtgerd*

Jenny Esther Quintero

Sabrina Turallo Dela Roca

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Angela Louise Benito Domingo

Abigael Reyes

Kyle Edward Dorsett

Jamelle Tan

Aileen Fletcher

Katie Teixeira

Eva Fong*

Hon-Nhien My Tran

Mikayla Hand

Hannah Angel Vasquez

Michelle Rafaela Heredia

Anh Thu Vu

Joelle Ho

Thu Kate Vu*

Tinjia Hwang

Rowan Wiley

Alyssa Knight

Calvin Xu

Ha Lim (Kristine) Kwag

Darcee Joy Young

*Campuswide Honors Collegium

*Congratulations
to the Class of 2021!*

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