



Commencement at Washington State University Spokane represents the culmination of a student's academic achievement. It is a time for celebration and reflection for students, families, faculty, and staff. It brings together the campus community to share the joy of the accomplished goals of our students.

The commencement ceremony serves a dual purpose: to mark a point of achievement, thus completing a chapter in the lives of students and those who support them, and to encourage continued pursuit of learning, personal fulfillment, and engagement with their local and worldwide communities.

#### **Processional**

Audience, please stand.

## **Welcome & Opening Remarks**

Daryll DeWald, PhD Executive Vice President, WSU Health Sciences, and Chancellor, WSU Spokane

Mary Koithan, PhD Dean, WSU College of Nursing

#### **Student Speaker**

Sam Wu Bachelor of Science in Nursing

## **Awards and Recognition**

Introduction and Pinning of College of Nursing Graduates

**Introduction of College of Education and Global Graduates** 

## **Closing Remarks**

## **Washington State University Fight Song**

Please see page 8.

#### Recessional

Please remain seated until faculty and students have left the stage.

#### **Graduation Cord Colors**

Arts, Letters, Humanities

White

**Business** 

Drab

Education

Light Blue

Nursing

Apricot

#### **Nursing Graduation Cord Colors**

Alpha Tau Delta, Alpha Sigma Chapter, Leadership
Blue and White

Alpha Tau Delta, Alpha Sigma Chapter, Member Blue

Critical Care Student Nurses Association Leadership
Black and White

Critical Care Student Nurses Association Member
White

Student Nurses Association Leadership
Gold and White

#### Sigma Theta Tau

Sigma Theta Tau honors nurses holding baccalaureate and advanced degrees who have exhibited exceptional achievements in nursing.

Students were invited during the final two semesters of their program based on academic achievements and leadership potential. The Washington State University Spokane campus was created in 1989 as one of six campuses that make up the Washington State University system. Located in Spokane's University District, WSU Spokane offers degrees leading to careers in audiology, biomedical sciences, dietetics, exercise, K–12 education administration, medicine, nursing, pharmacy & pharmaceutical sciences, and speech pathology.



**3**Colleges

Medicine

Nursing

Pharmacy and
Pharmaceutical Sciences

#### AREAS OF RESEARCH:

Addiction

Autism

Cancer

Chronic illness & disability

Community health

Drug delivery & safety

Native & rural health

Neurological disease and brain function

Pharmacology

Rare genetic disorders

Sleep

#### **DEGREE PROGRAMS OFFERED:**

Education

Medicine

Nursing

**Nutrition & Exercise Physiology** 

Pharmacy

Speech & Hearing



# 1400+ Students



Washington Residents



First Generation



Female Students



Black, Indigenous, & other Students of Color

**600**+ Employees

#### CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Dear Nursing Graduates,

Today, we welcome you as our nursing colleague and one of more than 10,000 Coug Nurses nationwide. What an amazing career you have chosen --- nurses are in almost every organization that you could imagine. Not only do you have a lifetime of opportunity in hospitals, urgent cares, clinics and private practice, you can lead healthcare initiatives in large

corporations, museums, non-profits, and schools. You can teach, engage in research and discovery, or participate in digital innovation. Whatever you choose to do, you begin your nursing career at a time when your degree is highly valued, and the public appreciates how talented nurses are!

You might be asking whether you are ready. I can assure you that anyone who has the tenacity, grit, and good humor that you have shown over the past two years is prepared to excel no matter where you choose to practice. Our profession welcomes you with open arms, confident that every one of you are well prepared to meet these challenges. But, please don't forget where all of this began. Come back, visit us often, tell us what you're doing, and above all else, choose to mentor students and new nurses along the way. We will be waiting to see your accomplishments and share in your successes.

As you leave us, your faculty and I leave you with three wishes. We wish you incredible joy. Please stop by every once in a while to appreciate the simple pleasures and the relationships that you are creating. We wish you more — more ups than downs, more gives than takes, more hugs than ughs. Remember-- finding more happens when you live authentically, with purpose and meaning and doing rather than dreaming. And finally, we wish you wonder. As

nurses, you will share life's most precious and sacred moments – an infant's first breath, a teenager's final day of chemo, and a couple's final goodbye. Care for yourself so that you never lose that sense of wonder as life unfolds around you.

And, now go forth with confidence and faith and be awesome! My sincere congratulations to each of you.

Mary Koithan, PhD, CNS-BC, FAAN
Dean, Washington State University College of Nursing

## Let me dedicate my life today

To the care of those who come my way
Let me touch each one with a healing hand
And the gentle art of which I stand
And then tonight when day is done
Let me rest in peace I've helped just one.

A Nurse's Pledge



Congratulations! It is a tremendous privilege to share this exciting and special day with you and celebrate your hard work, dedication, and commitment to yourself and your community. It is also a day to honor those who have helped make you successful, believed in you, and invested in you as we send you off on a new journey.

As you step out beyond WSU

Spokane, know that our reputation as a world-class research and health sciences campus continues to rise in part due to your success. You have worked hard to reach this point, and we are proud of your accomplishments. We know that you will go on to do great things, and we are excited to see the impact you will make.

Know you will always have a home and family here at Washington State University. In the future, I hope you will stay connected to the university, to the faculty and staff who have mentored you, and to the friends with whom you have shared this time.

I challenge each graduate to take their educational experiences and seize the opportunity to make a difference in the world. This is your moment, and no one deserves it more. Congratulations, you have earned it.

#### Daryll B. DeWald, Ph.D.

Executive VP, Washington State University Health Sciences and Chancellor, Washington State University Spokane



Congratulations, Class of 2023, on completing the requirements for an academic degree from Washington State University. It is an honor to celebrate the outstanding achievements that brought you to this pivotal moment.

I salute your efforts, as well as those of everyone who helped you reach this milestone. During your collegiate years, you demonstrated resiliency

and a can-do attitude that Cougs are known for worldwide. You adapted, persevered, and stayed focused on the ultimate prize of earning a degree.

Take time to celebrate this life-changing accomplishment. As you join a Cougar alumni community that spans the globe, I encourage you to remain involved with your alma mater. As you know, 'Once a Coug, always a Coug.' Going forward, you'll find that your WSU friends, colleagues, and Coug alums always have your back—both professionally and personally.

Best wishes, and Go Cougs!

**Kirk H. Schulz, Ph.D.** *President, Washington State University* 

#### **COLLEGE OF NURSING CANDIDATES**

## **Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing**

Shawna Rose Beese

Allostatic Load in the Neighborhood Context

Charles Daniel Edwards

Implicit and Explicit Bias in Healthcare,

A Study in Communication

Anna Kristina Delight Winquist

Nurses as Essential Partners in Recognizing and Responding to Child Abuse and Neglect

#### **Doctor of Nursing Practice**

Kimberly Ann Ashmore\*\*

Josilyn Brook Baugher

Emina Polovina Bayomy

Rachel Allison Carnes

Anna Marie Caruso

Elisabeth Hestnes Cope

Daniel Sean Davidson

Jade L. Graff\*\*

Samantha Ketrine Knapp\*\*

Anna Kuznetsov

Danielle S. Metz

Stephanie Lynne Rudin

Jessica Margaret Saxton

Danielle Christine Scala\*\*

Sienna Lynn Tanner

Jennifer Quinn

# Graduate Certificate in Nursing Leadership

Rachel Allison Carnes

Samantha Ketrine Knapp

Danielle S. Metz

#### **Bachelor of Science in Nursing**

Madeline Miranda Adams

Abigail C. Beuckman

Taylor Grace Bradshaw

Regan Leigh Braman

Megan Elizabeth Buckley

Lily Thao Bui

Cayla Elizabeth Bullard

Chloe Burley

Allison Anne Butterfield

Bailey V. E. Clifton

Alexandra Lyn Collins

Rachel Lee Colwell

Brooke Hatsumi Comeaux

Lillian Cooley

Sofiya Lynette Cron

Rowan Cruz

Abby Elise Darr\*\*

Kinsey Raeann Dewan

Madeline C. Dickson

Avery Lea DiMarco

Yanyan Dong

Reylynn Marie Dunn

Daniel Aaron Evans

Isabel Mercedes Flores

Edna Agyei Frimpong

Erika Galvez-Flores

Aaron Gonzalez

Adbeel Alcala Gonzalez

Johnathan Cole Guglielmetti

Taylor Jean Haight

Haliana Ku'ulei Helen Haipo

Gina Christine Hamilton

Stephanie R. Han

Riley Earle Harper

Mary Pamela Heffernan

Lindsey Ruth Hefner

Anneke Elise Herlickson

**Andrew Christopher Hess** 

Kathryn Lee Hilzinger

Colin James Holt

Joshua David Hustis

Kelly Clare Hyatt

Julia Rachelle Iovine

Alejandro Jimenez

## COLLEGE OF NURSING, EDUCATION, AND WSU GLOBAL CAMPUS CANDIDATES

Gabriela Hernandez Jimenez

Abbie Johnson

Marlie Kee

Christina Rose Keys

LaRena Rae Leas

Janu E Lee

Evan Matthew Lien

Olivia Ryan Madden

Joy Mahowald

Tracy Sabrina Malikowski

Olivia Rae Matson

Gabriella Shannon McRee

Beharadin Mohammed Meshalla

Anna Lucia Munoz

**Grace Netjes** 

Emilie Noeske

Haley Nicole Orchard

Paige Lauren O'Rourke

Kristina Leonidovna Ostapyuk

Noel James Pitner\*\*

Morgan Spencer Praino

Emyrsen G. Price

Elise Dora Raimi

Kaitlin Ray

Olivia Faye Riddle

Isabella Rodriguez

Isabella L. Romero

Katie Ann Schoenborn

Ellee Ryann Siebol

Keara L. Sinclair

Natalia Hunter Sokol

Molly Jean Solis

Alexander Stewart

Lucas Mario Sturges

Annika Taylor Swisstack

Thalia Mikaela Timoteo

Ellen Grace Tran

Ava Lynn Villarreal Jr.

Frances Katherine Ward

Allison Cecily Waters

Delaney Marie Watson

Hunter Renee Wert

Emma Kristine West

Brooke Faith Whyte

Morgan Wilkinson

Katelyn Wills

Morgan Beth Wills

Heather Louise Wilson

Dawson J. Windish

Maxwell Christopher Wright

Sheng Wei Wu

Serina Yasuda

Raiven Cera Yoes

Katherine Yoo

Cheavoung Yoon

Tongtong Zhang

Kalina Makenzie Ziegler

#### **COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

#### Masters in Educational Leadership

Matthew Alexander Doherty

#### WSU GLOBAL CAMPUS

#### Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration

Katy Bohrs

Erika Mendez

## **Bachelor of Arts in History**

Travis Finborg

#### **Bachelor of Arts in Political Science**

Sinai Espinoza Hernandez

#### **Bachelor of Science in Psychology**

Kerri Morris

<sup>\*\*</sup> Indicates graduates who are members of Sigma Theta Tau

## ONCE A COUG, ALWAYS A COUG

# WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY FIGHT SONG

Fight, fight, fight for Washington State! Win the victory! Win the day for Crimson and Gray! Best in the West, we know you'll all do your best, so On, on, on, on! Fight to the end! Honor and Glory you must win! So fight, fight, fight for Washington State and victory!

W...A...S.H.I...N...G...T.O.N... S...T...A.T.E... C...O...U.G.S!

#### GO COUGS!!

Names in this program include only those students who have applied for a Spring 2023 graduation date. Names are not necessarily representative of those attending the spring commencement ceremony.

Appearance of a name in this program is presumptive evidence of graduation and graduation honors, but it must not in any manner be regarded as conclusive. The diploma of the University, signed and sealed by its proper officers, remains the official testimony of the degree awarded.

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