

CLASS OF 2029

DEAN'S WELCOME CEREMONY

Rebecca Cohn Auditorium, Dal Arts Centre | Sunday, August 24, 2025



OFFICIAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Dalhousie University Senate acknowledges that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People and pays respect to the Indigenous knowledges held by the Mi'kmaq People, and to the wisdom of their Elders past and present. The Mi'kmaq People signed Peace and Friendship Treaties with the Crown, and section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982 recognizes and affirms Aboriginal and Treaty rights. We are all Treaty people.

AFRICAN NOVA SCOTIAN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We recognize that African Nova Scotians are a distinct people whose histories, legacies and contributions have enriched that part of Mi'kma'ki known as Nova Scotia for over 400 years.

WELCOME AND BEST WISHES TO THE CLASS OF 2029 FROM DAL MED!

STUDENT AFFAIRS

Dr. Anna MacLeod

Assistant Dean, DMNS

Dr. Lisa Sutherland

Assistant Dean, DMNB

Dr. Annalee Coakley

Assistant Dean, CBMC

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Director, DMNS

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Lisa Russell

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Gail Hodder

Learner Engagement Coordinator,
DMNS

Eli Quirk

Learner Engagement Coordinator,
CBMC

ADMISSIONS

Dr. Andrea Rideout

Assistant Dean

Carolyn Doyle

Director

Angela Fissehaye

Coordinator

Lindsay MacDougall

Admissions Pathway Coordinator

THE HIPPOCRATIC OATH

In reciting this oath, we declare allegiance to an ancient, honourable, and durable tradition, the survival of which is important for the welfare of the sick and of society.

I swear to fulfill, to the best of my ability and judgment, this covenant:

I will respect the hard-won scientific gains of those physicians in whose steps I walk, and gladly share such knowledge as is mine with those who are to follow.

I will apply, for the benefit of the sick, all measures which are required, avoiding those twin traps of overtreatment and therapeutic nihilism.

I will remember that there is art to medicine as well as science, and that warmth, sympathy, and understanding may outweigh the surgeon's knife or the chemist's drug.

I will not be ashamed to say "I know not," nor will I fail to call in my colleagues when the skills of another are needed for a patient's recovery.

I will respect the privacy of my patients, for their problems are not disclosed to me that the world may know. Most especially must I tread with care in matters of life and death. This awesome responsibility must be faced with great humbleness and awareness of my own frailty. Above all, I must not play at God.

I will remember that I do not treat a fever chart, a cancerous growth, but a sick human being, whose illness may affect the person's family and economic stability. My responsibility includes these related problems, if I am to care adequately for the sick.

I will prevent disease whenever I can, for prevention is preferable to cure.

I will remember that I remain a member of society, with special obligations to all my fellow human beings, those sound of mind and body as well as the infirm.

If I do not violate this oath, may I enjoy life and art, respected while I live and remembered with affection thereafter. May I always act so as to preserve the finest traditions of my calling and may I long experience the joy of healing those who seek my help.

ORDER OF EVENTS

Drummers from Home Collective

Mi'kmaw Welcome

Ann LaBillois, Elder in Residence

African Nova Scotian Honour Table

*Dr. Toni Sapping, Academic Director, Black Health | Assistant Professor
Jalana Lewis, Director, African Nova Scotian Community Engagement
Timi Idris, Manager, Promoting Leadership in Health for African Nova Scotians (PLANS)*

Introductions

Dr. Andrea Rideout, Assistant Dean, Admissions

Welcome Address to Class of 2029

Dr. David Anderson, Dean of Medicine

"More than Knowledge"

Dr. Adrianna Broussard, PGY2 Family Medicine, Dal Med Alum 2023

A Message from Associate Dean, Serving & Engaging Society

Dr. Gaynor Watson-Creed, Associate Dean, Serving & Engaging Society

Musical Performance

*Kelcie Burke, Class of 2027
Nathan Chong, Class of 2027
Ryan Ong, Class of 2027
Sherry Eskander, Class of 2027*

"Cultivating Humility and Purpose Through the Study of Medicine"

Dr. Brent Young, Academic Director of Indigenous Health

Presentation of the Class of 2029

*Dr. Lisa Sutherland, Assistant Dean, DMNB, Student and Resident Affairs
Dr. Annalee Coakley, Assistant Dean, CBMC, Student Affairs
Tyler Hall, Director, DMNS, Student and Resident Affairs*

IMG Clerkship Candidates (Class of 2027)

*Mahmoud AlKhatib
Seba Alnajem*

The Hippocratic Oath

Dr. Ian Epstein, Associate Dean, UGME

Closing Remarks

THE CLASS OF 2029

Salma Abdelghaffar
Sepopo Addah
Ngozi Roselyn Agwagom
Tyler Agyekum
Haya Al Bitar
Abbey Alexander
Laith Alhadeed
Jayden Altman-Prezioso
Oreoluwa Alugo
Aaliyah Arab-Smith
Zainab Asim
Melissa Atia
Mark Atwood
Sinmisade Ayantoye
Nathan Barton
Lacey Bellefontaine
Zainab Bello
Natalie Berry
Shanli Bérubé-Sam
Rachel Best
Hillary Blanchard
Sai Bolleddula
Mikayla Boucher
Bryah Boutilier
Katie Broussard
Marsha-Lee Brown
Taylor Butt
Jack Carmichael
Lauren Casey
Charlie Cavanagh
Vanessa Chedrawy
Kate Clark
Elizabeth Coish
Chloe Cyr
Dante DeGiobbi
Francesco Dellorusso
Kuziwa Dengure
Lauren Dessureault
Zahra Dhubow
Rachael Elizabeth Dixon
Nicolas Donovan
Gabriela Dosman
Schnell D'Souza
Anna Dugandzic

Eilia Eslami Dizgah
Katrina Esteireiro
Jordan Etheridge
Joey Fahd
Katarzyna Farrell
Marty Fay
Rakshit Galwa
Liandrah Gapare
Alex Gatien
Abbigael Gaudry
Tristen Geldart
Maya Goldchtaub
Brianna Gottschall
Shareeve Gould
Jenna Gower
Emilia Grala
Mariah Greene
Sara Greenough
Charlotte Hache
Alexander Hack-Polay
Minha Haque
Madeline Hayes
Delaney Henderson
Sarah Henley
Ben Hewins
Chester Deladem Kofi Hewlett
Karlianne Hill
Sydney Hooper
Priscilla Irabor
Hannah Isaac
Mickey Jackson
Swati Jayachandran
Ewan Johnston
Danielle Joyce
Gracious Kasheke
Patricia Kennedy
Gabrielle Kenny
Natalie Kermay
Cameron Keyes
Salma Khattab
Dalton Killorn
Turner Kinal
Beautisca King
Jonathan Kofkin

Juliette Lake
Lindsay Laviolette
Maggie LeClair
Caleb Leinwand
Christopher Lewis
Yingqi Li
Eric Liu
Andrew Luiker
Caylee MacDonald
Sarah MacDonald
Angus MacGregor
Christopher MacKnight
Amber MacLean-Hawes
John MacMillan
Jadyn Mah
Jastina Mahendrarajah
Adam Makarov
Armin Makki
Kristen Mawdsley
Eliza Maxwell
Maria McCully
Kevin McFarlane
Elliott McWilliams
Bishoy Megla
Diana Milburn
Max Mohammadi
Aaryn Montgomery-Song
Powell Moore
Robert Moore
Rory Morrison
Avery Moses
Jamil Muradov
Sara Murrin
Akudo Faith Ndu-Ogbuji
Ernest Ng
Anna Nicolela
Pride Nubong
Laurett Nwaonumah
Ogooluwa Christine Ojo Abegunde
Olamide Okedara
Raymond O'Sullivan
Julia Pappas
Kyle Pedersen
Tessa Pelrine
Julia Penney

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Jessica Pertus
Grace Pimentel
Allison Pluta
Madison Presunka
Aaron Prosper
Abigail Purchase
Ethan Pushka-Richards
Muhammad Omar Quraishi
Aisha Qureshi
Lamisa Rahman
Anisha Rajaselvam
Liam Rappoldt
Ethan Ring
Emilie Risdon
Olivia Roland
Danny Ross
Emily Rushton
Caleb Rust
Oliver Schnare
Jillian Shadbolt
Emma Shaw
Elizabeth Shepherd
Sarah Sheppard
Chris Sherman
Zoey Simon
Frank Sinclair
Andrew Smith
Emily Smith
Sierra Sparks
Connor Stadnyk
Courtney Strugnell
Sowon Suh
Emma Tapper
Mark Tatangelo
Jamey Toney
Alex Tufford
Maximilian Van Zyl
Kathleen Varty
Sophie Wark
Brooklynn Warman
Sydney Wheatley
Annika Wiebe
Truman Wood
Phoebe Yuen