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*Graduation*

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SCHOOL of NURSING

# *Congratulations, Graduates*

We congratulate the graduates of the Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership Graduate Degree Programs. These graduates leave an indelible mark as members of the initial graduating classes from the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis. We eagerly anticipate the influence these future leaders will create as they launch the next phases of their careers.

## **Faculty**

<b>Kupiri W. Ackerman-Barger</b>	<b>Tae Youn Kim</b>
<b>Susan L. Adams</b>	<b>Kenneth W. Kizer</b>
<b>Nick Anderson</b>	<b>Nancy E. Lane</b>
<b>Ester Carolina Apeso-Varano</b>	<b>Brent Luu</b>
<b>Aaron Bair</b>	<b>Robert McCarron</b>
<b>Debra Bakerjian</b>	<b>Frederick J. Meyers</b>
<b>Janice F. Bell</b>	<b>Lisa Soederberg Miller</b>
<b>Lars Berglund</b>	<b>Richard Michelmore</b>
<b>Jeri Bigbee</b>	<b>Jann Murray-Garcia</b>
<b>Shelley Blozis</b>	<b>JoAnne E. Natale</b>
<b>Richard Bold</b>	<b>Thomas S. Nesbitt</b>
<b>Lavjay Butani</b>	<b>Amy A. Nichols</b>
<b>Sheryl L. Catz</b>	<b>Ricky Norwood</b>
<b>Mitchell D. Creinin</b>	<b>Alberto Odor</b>
<b>Timothy W. Cutler</b>	<b>Michelle O'Rourke</b>
<b>Robert De Vogli</b>	<b>Elizabeth Rice</b>
<b>Madan Dharmar</b>	<b>George Rodway</b>
<b>Christiana Drake</b>	<b>Patrick S. Romano</b>
<b>Jessica Draughon Moret</b>	<b>Sumathi Sankaran -Walters</b>
<b>Wetona Suzanne Eidson-Ton</b>	<b>Alison Semrad</b>
<b>Erik Fernandez y Garcia</b>	<b>Jenna Shaw-Battista</b>
<b>Scott Fishman</b>	<b>Mary Lou de Leon Siantz</b>
<b>Philippe R. Goldin</b>	<b>Elena O. Siegel</b>
<b>Theresa A. Harvath</b>	<b>Jon Siiteri</b>
<b>Virginia Hass</b>	<b>Daniel Tancredi</b>
<b>Shelly Henderson</b>	<b>Hendry Ton</b>
<b>Ladson Hinton</b>	<b>Laura L. Van Auker</b>
<b>Margaret Hodge</b>	<b>Deborah Ward</b>
<b>Michael Hogarth</b>	<b>Peter Yellowlees</b>
<b>Jill Joseph</b>	<b>Heather M. Young</b>
<b>Gerald Kayingo</b>	<b>Sheri Zidenberg-Cherr</b>
<b>Katherine Kim</b>	

## **In gratitude**

The entire Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing team extends its heartfelt appreciation to all who have supported the school from its outset. Your ongoing contributions are critical to the school's continued success. Together, we are building a strong foundation and bright futures.

# Program

## PROFESSIONAL

### Welcome

Heather M. Young  
Dignity Health Dean's Chair for Nursing Leadership  
Associate Vice Chancellor for Nursing, UC Davis  
Founding Dean, Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing

### Keynote Address

Deborah Greenwood  
Research Scientist and Clinical Performance Improvement Consultant,  
Quality and Clinical Effectiveness Team, Office of Patient Experience, Sutter Health  
2014 Doctor of Philosophy Alumna

### Student Remarks

Dessie Paraskevas Hammond  
Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership Master of Health Services —  
Physician Assistant Studies Program

Ofili Okolonwamu  
Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership Master of Science —  
Nurse Practitioner Program

Mary Cignarella  
Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership Master of Science —  
Leadership Program

Samantha Blackburn  
Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership Doctor of Philosophy Program

### Student Excellence and Faculty Awards

Theresa A. Harvath  
Associate Dean for Academics

### Student Recognition

Presented by faculty of the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing

### Closing Remarks

Dean Heather M. Young

## RECESSIONAL

Reception to follow in the lobby of the Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts

# The Graduating Classes of 2016

## Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership Master of Health Services – Physician Assistant Studies

Student, Scholarly Project Title, Chair

### **Analicia Gallegos Baldonado**

Recommendation of a Culturally Appropriate  
Educational Product for Patients Diagnosed  
with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

**Tae Youn Kim**

### **Markie Danielle Benavidez**

Motivational Interviewing Tool for Providers to  
Address Adult Obesity in Primary Care

**Jon Siiteri**

### **Carrie Ruth Kramer Brothers**

Equipping Primary Care Providers to Serve Aging  
Transgender People

**Jill Joseph**

### **Ashley Bynum**

Increasing Patient Awareness of the Role of  
Physician Assistants on Health Care Teams

**Gerald Kayingo**

### **Keith Byrd**

Promoting an Oral Health Program within UC  
Davis Student-Run Clinics

**Deborah Ward and Gerald Kayingo**

### **Nicole Anne Davis**

Increasing Patient Awareness of the Role of  
Physician Assistants on Health Care Teams

**Gerald Kayingo**

### **Amanda X. Echeverria**

Barriers to Interprofessional Education: An  
Educational Module for Facilitators of  
Prelicensure Health Education Programs

**Gerald Kayingo**

### **Megan Elizabeth Fitzgerald**

Improving Detection of Non-Melanoma Skin  
Cancer

**Deborah Ward**

### **Jennifer K. Fukasawa**

Therapeutic Benefits of Hot Springs Use in  
the Management of Fibromyalgia and  
Chronic Pain

**Gerald Kayingo**

### **Sarah Garcia**

Best Practice: An Evaluation of Emergency  
Department Triage Systems via Analysis of  
Care Processes and Patient Outcomes to  
Improve Overcrowding, Throughput and  
Patient Satisfaction

**Debra Bakerjian**

### **Genevieve Marie Green\***

Screening Deployed Military Service Members  
for Mild Traumatic Brain Injuries: Developing  
Best-Practice Protocol Using Diffusion Tensor  
Imaging and Telehealth

**Gerald Kayingo**

### **Mereb Habtetsion**

Lifestyle Interventions for Hispanic Patients with  
Type 2 Diabetes

**Jessica Draughon Moret**

### **Carly Hustrei**

An Education Toolkit for Health Care Providers  
and Patients Regarding the Use of Over-the-  
Counter, Non-Steroidal, Anti-Inflammatory  
Drugs (NSAIDs) for Chronic Pain

**Virginia Hass**

### **Jasleen Kaur\***

Encouraging Breast Cancer Screening in the  
Southeast Asian Female Population

**Jessica Draughon Moret**

\*Completed Master's Thesis

**Nicole Klopovic**

Entertaining Educational Tool Designed to Prevent Childhood Obesity in Hispanic Populations

**Jon Siiteri**

**Ruth Legesse**

Demystifying Healthy Eating Misconceptions in Low-Income, African-American Communities

**Deborah Ward**

**Dessie Paraskevas Hammond\***

Determining the Non-Financial Barriers and Facilitating Factors of Health Care Access in the Peruvian Community of Sacramento

**Virginia Hass**

**Andrea Quintana**

Improving Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Cultural Competency of Rural Providers Using an Interactive Online Module

**Theresa A. Harvath**

**Alexandra A. Sabella**

Improving Depression Care at Student-Run Clinic through Implementation of Mental Health Coordinator Position

**Theresa Harvath**

**Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership  
Master of Science — Nurse Practitioner  
Student, Scholarly Project Title, Chair**

**Sandra Calderon**

Incorporating Oral Health Curriculum into Nurse Practitioner, Physician Assistant and Medical Degree Educational Programs

**Tae Youn Kim**

**Cheryl M. DeMucha\*\***

Motivational Interviewing Tool for Providers to Address Adult Obesity in Primary Care

**Jon Siiteri**

**Samantha Gove**

Development of a Decision-Making Guide for Emergency Room Professionals to Determine the Appropriateness of Mental Health Patients for Telepsychiatry Use

**Deborah Ward**

**Chanthy Heang Gutierrez**

Burnout and Compassion Fatigue in Nurses at Long-Term Care Facility

**Elena Siegel**

**Pang Her\*\***

Attitudes of Adolescents in Acne and Education

**Tae Youn Kim**

**Arnecia Lewis-Smith\*\***

Confronting Implicit Bias: An Educational Module for Kindergarten Teachers

**Deborah Ward**

**Ofili Okolonwamu\*\***

Development of a Decision-Making Guide for Emergency Room Professionals to Determine the Appropriateness of Mental Health Patients for Telepsychiatry Use

**Jessica Draughon Moret**

**Gloretha Wilcots**

Confronting Implicit Bias: An Educational Module for Kindergarten Teachers

**Deborah Ward**

**Mariel Ong Yapdiangco\*\***

Factors Associated with Depression in Filipino Immigrants: Implications for Primary Health Care Providers

**Debra Bakerjian**

\*Completed Master's Thesis

\*\*Also receiving a physician assistant certificate

THE GRADUATING  
CLASSES OF 2016 | CONTINUED

**Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership  
Master of Science — Leadership**  
Student, Thesis Title, Chair

**Randi M. Arias-Losado**

The Experiences of Survivors of Suicide in a  
Rural Community with Limited Access to Care

**Kupiri Ackerman-Barger**

**Franco E. Balitaan**

Exploring Nurses' Roles and Practices on  
Facilitating Discharge in the Post-anesthesia  
Care Unit

**Elena O. Siegel**

**Mary Ann Barnes-Daly**

The Effect of Sedation Scores on Overall  
Compliance with the Awakening and Breathing  
Coordination, Choice of Sedation, Delirium  
Monitoring/Management, Early Exercise/  
Mobility, Family/Patient Involvement (ABCDEF)  
Bundle in Seven Community Hospital  
Intensive Care Units

**Tae Youn Kim**

**Mary Cignarella**

Examining the Relationship between Work  
Environment, Desired Field of Clinical Practice  
and Job Satisfaction of Nurse Resident  
Graduates: One Hospital's Perspective

**Peggy Hodge**

**Marilyn Dawn Curtis**

Burn Nurse Telephone Triage: The Development  
of a Tool

**Debra Bakerjian**

**Goretti DeNava Arreygue**

Examining the Usability of an Interactive  
Education Module in Acute-Care Nursing

**Tae Youn Kim**

**Paul Fankhanel**

Floating... It Is More Difficult Than One May  
Think: A Descriptive Study of Nurses' Views  
of Floating as a Staffing Model

**Ester Carolina Apesoa-Varano**

**Jo Ann Hambley**

Burn Nurses: Perception of Psychiatric Aspects in  
Burn Care

**Jann Murray-Garcia**

**Nicole Rae Hernandez**

Developing an Interprofessional Simulation  
Education Scenario for a Community College  
Setting

**Jeri Bigbee**

**Barbara D. Kaufman**

Neighborhoods of Need: Towards a Community-  
Wide Diabetes Intervention Program in the  
Underserved Neighborhoods of Sacramento

**Jill Joseph**

**Kimberly Marie Mason**

Scenarios for Difficult Conversations Regarding  
Protection of Infants against Vaccine-  
Preventable Diseases: A Project to Support  
Parents

**Deborah Ward**

**Joy Morgan**

Personal Health Network Technology for  
Palliative Care Coordination: Usability and  
Acceptance among Rural Adults with Cancer

**Jill Joseph**

**Roneka Shurece' Watkins Muhammed**

Transition to Adulthood by Young Adults in  
Special Education: Teacher Perceptions

**Deborah Ward**

**Sonia Kaur Rakkar**

An Evaluation of Heart-Failure Patient Education  
Material Using Self-Care Nursing Deficit Theory

**Jeri Bigbee**

**Sara Rekasis**

Improving the Electronic Health Record  
to Capture Best Practices for Uterine  
Tachysystole Management

**Debra Bakerjian**

**Andrea Rosato**

Prevalence of Functional Decline and Associated  
Risk Factors in Hospitalized Older Adults  
with Heart Failure: A Feasibility Study Using  
Electronic Health Records

**Tae Youn Kim**

**Nicole Ruiz**

Factors Affecting the Perceived Self-Efficacy of  
Final Semester Prelicensure Nursing Students

**Peggy Hodge**

**Beverly J. Schacherbauer**

Meaningful use of the EHR: Evaluating the  
Internal and External Factors Affecting the  
Timeliness of Patient Referrals

**Peggy Hodge**

**Angelique I. Silva**

Cultural Influences on Patient Education: The  
Perspective of the Hispanic Patient on  
Gestational Diabetic Education

**Kupiri Ackerman-Barger**

**Melissa Ann Soderlund**

Promoting Awareness on Compassion Fatigue:  
The Development of an Educational Resource  
for Oncology Nurses

**Sheryl L. Catz**

**Annie Ngo Tat**

Creating an Evidence-Based Learning Activity for  
Nursing Students on Caring for Low-Income,  
Ethnic Minority Women with Chronic Conditions:  
Cultural Humility and Motivational Interviewing

**Theresa A. Harvath**

**Kristine Palaspas Thach**

Perceptions of Nursing Communication Using a  
Standardized Hand-Off System in the Acute-  
Care Setting and the Effects on Patient Safety

**Kupiri Ackerman-Barger**

**Melody Thai**

Double-Duty Caregiving and the Filipino Nurse

**Kupiri Ackerman-Barger**

**Carel Alexis Troutman**

An Exploratory Study of Frontline Nursing  
Leadership in the Acute-Care Setting

**Elena O. Siegel**

**Wendy Wait**

Personal Health Network Technology for  
Palliative Care: A Pilot Assessment in Older  
Adults with Cancer

**Janice F. Bell**

## **Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership Doctor of Philosophy**

**Student, Dissertation Title, Chair**

**Samantha Blackburn**

Exploring the Work of School Health  
Administrators in California

**Ester Carolina Apesoa-Varano**

**Amy Doroy**

Exploring the Lived Experiences of Patients who  
have Participated in an Early-Mobility Program

**Debra Bakerjian**

**Bronwyn Elsie Fields**

Rural Nursing: What Drives Job Choice?

**Jeri Bigbee**

**Daphene A. Francis**

How do Sociocultural Factors Influence Physical  
Activity for Black Caribbean Immigrant Women  
in New York City?

**Ester Carolina Apesoa-Varano**

**Ellen Goldstein**

Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)  
and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)  
Among Patients in Primary Care

**Sheryl L. Catz**

**Sally Christine Moyce**

Acute Kidney Injury in California's Agricultural  
Workers

**Jill Joseph**

**Holly Thurston**

Using Geographic Information Systems  
Technology to Augment a Retrospective  
Case-Control Study of Serious Child  
Maltreatment in Sacramento County

**Jill Joseph**

**Robin Whitney**

Inpatient Care Use among California Cancer  
Patients

**Janice F. Bell**

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*at the Betty Irene Moore*

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