MAGNIFY | SOM Hooding and Graduation

Graduate students at their hooding ceremony on May 9, 2019.

The first graduating class from the Physician Assistant program.

Congratulations to the newest class of Medical, Master's, Ph.D. and Certificate graduates! We’re excited to welcome the Class of 2019 into the alumni family. Thank you to all of our alumni who sent in their words of wisdom and letters of encouragement for our graduates. The Alumni Office paired your notes with a leather bound journal (pictured above) and handed them out at the hooding and graduation ceremonies. We hope to keep this tradition going!

We also celebrated our first graduating class from the Physician Assistant program! This is a huge accomplishment as they blaze the trail for the future of this program.

Class of 2019 Graduation Numbers
Medicine - 89
Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Science - 3
Master of Science in Biomedical Science - 9
Master of Science in Genetic Counseling - 8
Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies - 19
Master of Nurse Anesthesia - 27
Master of Arts in Counseling and Rehabilitation - 3
Master of Rehabilitation Counseling - 6
Certificate in Psychiatric Rehabilitation - 3
Certificate in Biomedical Science - 11

We are now a network of more than 4,000 passionate alumni and growing!

FOCUS | Alumni Association Board

School of Medicine
Alumni Association
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Congratulations to our newly elected Alumni Association Board Officers!

President - David Amrol, M.D. ('98)
Vice President - Steve Corso, M.D. ('88)
Secretary - Andrew Glover, M.D. ('10)
Treasurer - Ann Marie Patterson-Ravindran, M.D. ('09)

We spent the winter season dissecting the Association's constitution and bylaws, rearranging responsibilities, and adding new positions to represent more graduate program alumni in order to strengthen the purpose of the Association and make it mutually beneficial for its volunteers and the university. With these slight tweaks and a fresh perspective from our officers, there's excitement for where we're headed as an organization, which includes the implementation of Regional Alumni Chapters. More information will be revealed soon!
We have several leadership vacancies on the Board, and are taking nominations for the 2019-2020 term, beginning in October. If you're interested to hear more about the available positions or want to nominate yourself, please send an email to Paige Stiles.

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**SPECIAL REPORT | New SOM Campus Update**

*Included in the May 2019 issue of the Carolina Action Network newsletter:*

The House and Senate both passed budget proposals that provide additional resources to higher education—the biggest increase in a decade. Depending on the final version of the budget, the University of South Carolina System stands to receive as much as $19 million in new recurring funds. Leadership in both chambers should be commended for taking a significant step forward in making college more affordable across the state. Other budget items of note include:

- The UofSC Columbia School of Medicine would receive new recurring funds of more than $1 million for the Child Abuse and Neglect Medical Response Program.
- The School of Medicine’s Rural Health Initiative would receive $2 million in new recurring funds.
- Nearly $37 million in one-time funding for renovations and improvements at the system institutions, including classroom and lab expansions, critical building repairs and funds to help relocate the School of Medicine in Columbia.

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**DISCOVER | Opportunities for Engagement**
NOW ACCEPTING
Alumni Awards
NOMINATIONS

CLICK HERE TO NOMINATE AN ALUMNUS/ALUMNA

COMING SOON...

UofSC School of Medicine
Regional Alumni Chapters

Click here to contact Holly Jefferson
to get involved in an area near you!
JOIN US

July 12th

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
SUMMER BOARD MEETING

CALLING ALL ALUMNI

Our students are looking for shadowing opportunities

Click image to sign up

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DID YOU KNOW...

When you graduate from the USC School of Medicine, you are automatically a member of the SOM Alumni Association?

Please contact Paige Stiles at paige.stiles@uscmed.sc.edu to learn ways you can get involved!
REVERE | Class Kudos

Will Bynum, M.D. ('10) wrote an article titled, "What's Wrong With Me? I Don't Belong Here.,” which was digitally published by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC). The article is about his own personal feelings of inadequacy and becoming a victim to the "imposter syndrome" that 30% of new doctors experience. Check out his article here.

Charles Carter, M.D. ('99) was recently appointed as the Assistant Chief Medical Officer of the Palmetto Health-USC Medical Group. He will be responsible for assisting the Chief Medical
Officer in the oversight and management of clinical functions and promoting the integration of clinical programs and specialty services throughout the Medical Group.

Ann Marie Patterson-Ravindran, M.D. ('09) welcomed a beautiful baby girl named Josephine "Josie" Fuller Ravindran in April. This is her second child in addition to big brother Ben.

**Congratulations to the Medical and Graduate Classes of 2019! 🎉**

Please contact Paige Stiles by June 21st if you have any exciting news that you’d like to share!

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