

NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH
PROFESSIONS

CLASS OF 2020

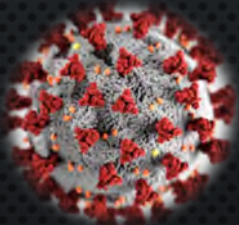
INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**THE NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS CEREMONY
WOULD HAVE BEEN HELD:
SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2020
IN FISHER AUDITORIUM AT 1:00 PM**



**DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC THE CEREMONY WAS HELD:
IN THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN HOME**



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NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS



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Sherry Kelly
Michelle Lybarger
Katie Rowe

PHD GRADUATES

Rebecca Diaz

Dissertation Title: Foreign-Born Nursing Students' Perceived Faculty Support and It's Impact on Academic Success: A Correlational and Comparative Study

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Kristy Chunta

Donald Grimes

Dissertation Title: *Accelerated Second-Degree Nursing Students' Reports and Perceived Faculty Influence of Professional Nursing Values*

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Lora Hromadik

Cristen Walker

Dissertation Title: *Impact of Animal-Assisted Therapy on Various Measures of BSN Test Anxiety*

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Teresa Shellenbarger



MSN GRADUATES

Edward Pavlosky

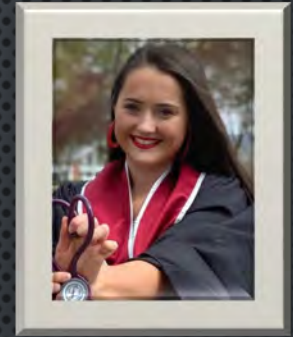
Brittany Polke

Emilea Rippin

Emily Wickline



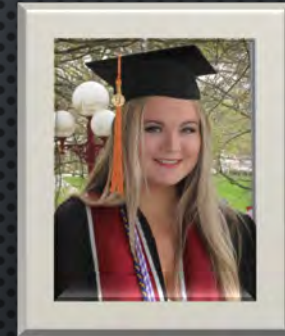
Kaylee Gardner - Nursing Class of 2020 President



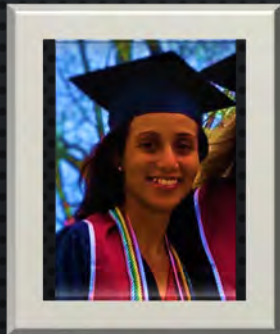
Madeleine Yost - Nursing Class of 2020 Vice President



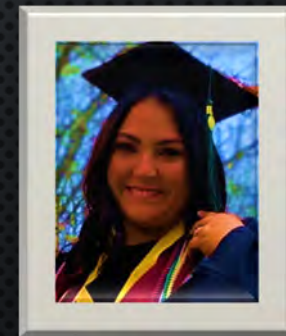
Madison Kerr - Nursing Class of 2020 Secretary



Amanda Huss - Nursing Class of 2020 Treasurer



Nadine Brown - Respiratory Class of 2020 Representative



Jessica Laney - Respiratory Class of 2020 Representative



UNIVERSITY HONORS

Cum laude: 3.25-3.49*

Magna cum laude: 3.5-3.74**

Summa cum laude: 3.75-4.0***

The number of asterisks (*) placed beside a graduate's name denotes his/her University Honors standing. University Academic Honors are based on the graduate's cumulative GPA through the Fall semester of 2019.



RESPIRATORY CARE GRADUATES

Zinab Alali** (*Lambda Beta Honors*)

Mansour Alghamdi

Ashwaq Alshomrani

Shawn Aspuria

Alexus Banks

Kirstie Branthoover

Donte Brown



Nadine Brown

Ciara D'Imperio

Samantha Elliott

Jessica Laney* (*Lambda Beta Honors*)

Alison Marron (*Lambda Beta Honors*)

Allesandra McKelvey

Alexsae Wyandt** (*Lambda Beta Honors*)

MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY GRADUATES

Fatimah Alsultan***

Megan Desmond**

Kaleigh Gilmer

Lauren Hoover*



Hayley Kepple***

Stephanie Lenavitt**

Brittany Prugh***

Amanda Rush

MEDICAL IMAGING GRADUATES

Allison Baker

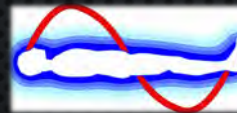
Ciara Buckingham*

Andrew Genett

Jordan Henderson

Cortney Hoover***

Jasmine Misner



Rachael Morgart

Julia Pickar**

Abdullah Rajab

Nicole Serianni*

Andrew Swales

Kelly Thoma

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Graduates

Kaitlyn Auel
Rachel Balogh
Lily Balousek
Veronica Baroni**
Lauren Barrett
Rebecca Barton
Ashton Battistelli
Joshua Beale
Haley Bertges*
Jenna Berzansky***
Casey Borland**
Madeline Bowman
Joseph Britton*
Kayla Brown*
Courtney Buchler
Lyndzey Busovicki**
Libby Cataldo
Kaitlyn Comiske*
Ashley Comley
Haley Cooke**
Anna Cornell
Lisa Davidson**
Brooke Davis
Holly Decataldo**
Drake Dennis
Allyson Donnelly**

Karli Drewencki
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Harlee Dunwoody
Autumn Ellis
Mallory Eperesi*
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Lisa Fantone
Madeline Felsburg*
Jordan Fisher
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Amanda Goodwin
Jennifer Haacke
Brooke Hammond
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Samantha Homic
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Hannah Hunt
Amanda Huss
Marissa Ingalls**
Jordan Innes
Monica Kerlin**

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Hailey Koch**
Madeline Kriberney
Ericka Kubik**
Katrina Kudla
Anastasia Laterzo
Shelby Lightcap**
Colleen Luttrell
Morgan Markloff
Larissa Martin*
Angela Martoccio
Baylee Marvich**
Amanda Mayo
Jillian McCloskey*
Kenzie McCombs
Diara McCullough**
Morgan McFarland
Sara Merritt
Sierra Misko*
Jason Moomau
Macy Mularski
Bryn Nelson
Olivia Nupp*
Jordyn Oliver*
Jacob Opalka**
Kyle Pensa

Brianna Phillips
Sally Pollock
Brooke Prenni*
John Rea*
Gina Roncher*
Alexis Schwartz*
Jessica Shaffer
Cameron Shay
Caitlyn Sheehan**
Emily Sheridan
Robert Sickles IV*
Keandra Stanton
Dana Stitt
Mikhala Stover**
Fatouma Tangara*
Massiel Tolentino
Taylor Trybus
Jeremy Updyke*
Josie Valvo
Lauren Vokes**
Erin Welsh
Emilee Wilson
Lauren Woodburn
Madeleine Yost
Sarah Zarpentine*
Marisa Zik





The commencement speaker this year would have been Patty Genday. When I asked Patty if she would still like to share anything with our students, she was very happy to do so. Here is what Patty wanted to share...



Hello, my name is Patty Genday and I am the Chief Nursing Officer, and Vice President for Patient Care Services at UPMC Magee-Womens Hospital in Pittsburgh. Also, I've had the distinct privilege to educate many of your predecessors at IUP as an instructor for years.

Thus, I'd like to share a few pearls and lessons learned as you graduate.

1. **Work hard and work smart.** Always. There are so many opportunities in healthcare, but you need to prepare for them as a new graduate. Display a positive work ethic and drive.
2. **Attitudes.** You know, there are 2 kinds of people in this world – those that give you energy and those that draw it out of you. The first group, people you love to be around, positive attitudes, team players, pleasant, fun and helpful and those that are constantly whining and complaining. We each bring our own weather to the picnic.
3. **Be humble.** Life is full of ups and downs...and at this point in your life please know this is clearly an up, despite the pandemic that threw a wrench in your senior year! If there's one thing being in healthcare teaches you – it's humility.
4. **Confidence is the companion to success.** When you believe in yourself, others will believe in you, too. Build upon what you learn every step of the way. Study, prepare. Learning how to be a strong healthcare worker takes a lot of time and effort. Please know, learning does not occur through osmosis...it takes time and effort – work hard to become the expert with any clinical experience you encounter – read, use resources to find the answers so you thoroughly understand a disease entity on a patient you care for or medications you administer. Find a mentor you admire; someone you respect professionally – learn from them and mimic their positive qualities.
5. **Teamwork.** If you truly want to find success, please remember we, not I or me. You need to work to build positive relationships with your colleagues. Put others needs/wants above your own and in the best interest of your patients and coworkers.
6. **Play by the Rules.** In healthcare, we tend to have many policies, protocols, regulations and licensure requirements. They need to be followed as we deal with human lives and always keep patient safety a priority. If you are unsure, ask the appropriate authority.
7. **Risk-taking.** An interesting animal is a turtle. The reason: to move it must stick its neck out. There are times in our lives when we will need to stick our necks out. There will always be challenges and instead of hiding in a shell we must go out and meet them.
8. **Never quit learning.** We educate ourselves to be the best we can be. Education is the gift you are giving yourselves as you completed your bachelor's degree.
9. **Act.** Every story you've ever connected with, every leader you've ever admired and every little thing you've ever accomplished is the result of taking action. You can be a passive victim of circumstance or you can be the active hero of your own life.

I wish you all the best!

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO OUR GRADUATES

Judith Ann Shoop Award

Zeta Lambda Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

Honoring the memory of this courageous young woman and recognizing in a graduate nurse those qualities of scholarship, leadership, character, and service that were so much a part of Judy's life.

The award goes to.....**Madison Kerr – Valedictorian of Nursing Class 2020. Congratulations!**

Indiana Lion's Club Humanitarian Award

The student who exemplifies the following characteristics of skill, compassion, understanding, humanitarianism, accountability, and professionalism who is nominated by their classmates.

The award goes to....**Madison Kerr**

Alexa J. Boyer Emerick Nursing Scholarship

Mr. Cameron Emerick, resident of the City of Riverside, County of Northumberland, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has established this scholarship opportunity to provide assistance to outstanding and deserving junior and/or senior students who are enrolled in the nursing curriculum at IUP.

The award goes to....**Baylee Marvich**

Ann and Dan McCauley

Awarded to a Respiratory Care student who is nominated by the faculty, based upon recommendations by patients, family members of patients, nursing staff and physicians. The graduate selected demonstrates clinical excellence along with comprehensive patient and family communication. This student has demonstrated clear communications skills, flexibility to adjust to meet the patient's needs, confidence in knowledge and operation of all therapies and equipment, concern for the patient and a clear ability to find and implement solutions to meet the patients needs.

The award goes to....**Nadine Brown**

INTERNATIONAL NURSES PLEDGE

In full knowledge of the obligations I am undertaking, I promise to care for the sick with all the skill and understanding I possess, without regard to race, creed, color, politics, or social status, sparing no effort to conserve life, to alleviate suffering and to promote health.

I will respect at all times the dignity and religious beliefs of the patients under my care, holding in confidence all personal information entrusted to me, and refrain from any action which might endanger life or health.

I will endeavor to keep my professional knowledge and skill at the highest level and to give loyal support and cooperation to all members of the health care team.

I will do my utmost to honor the international code of ethics applied to nursing and to uphold the integrity of the professional nurse.

AN RCPS GUIDING INSPIRATION

May my heart feel compassion
So that I may faithfully care
For those who come my way.

May my hands practice with great skill
So that I may be able to help
Those in need of my abilities.

May my ears be opened today
So that I may hear and fulfill
The needs of those in my care.

May my lips speak wisely
So that I may share my knowledge with
Those in need of comfort and wisdom.

For if I am able to give of my whole self
And serve to the best of my abilities,
I may improve the quality of someone's life-
And that is enough.

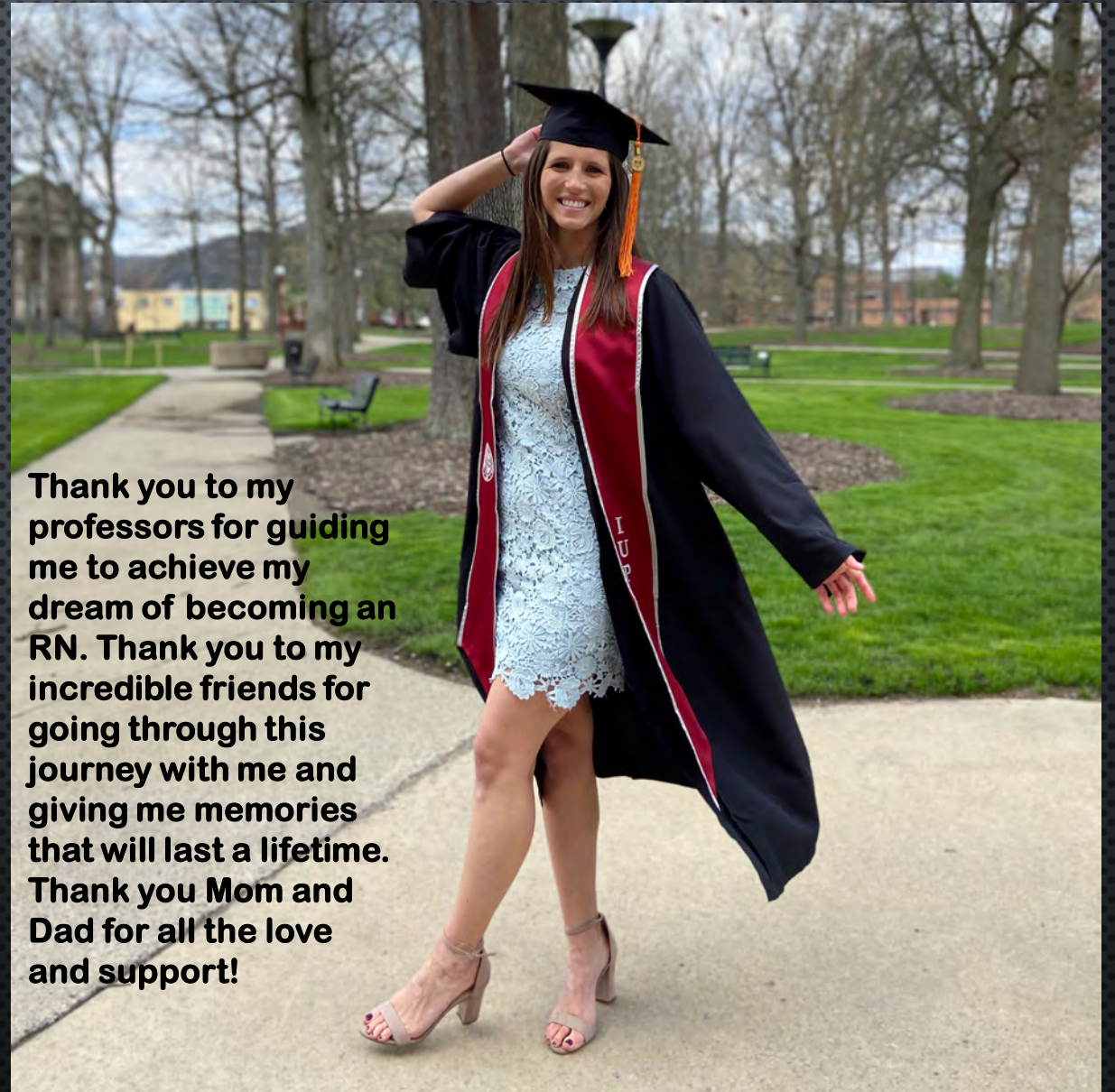


I'll always cherish the memories and friends I have made at IUP. This isn't the send off we expected but congrats!





Thank you Johnson Hall
for the best four years of
my life.



Thank you to my
professors for guiding
me to achieve my
dream of becoming an
RN. Thank you to my
incredible friends for
going through this
journey with me and
giving me memories
that will last a lifetime.
Thank you Mom and
Dad for all the love
and support!



Congrats to the Nursing Class of 2020!







**Congratulations
to the IUP
Nursing Class of
2020! Good luck
on the NCLEX
and in all your
future plans!**







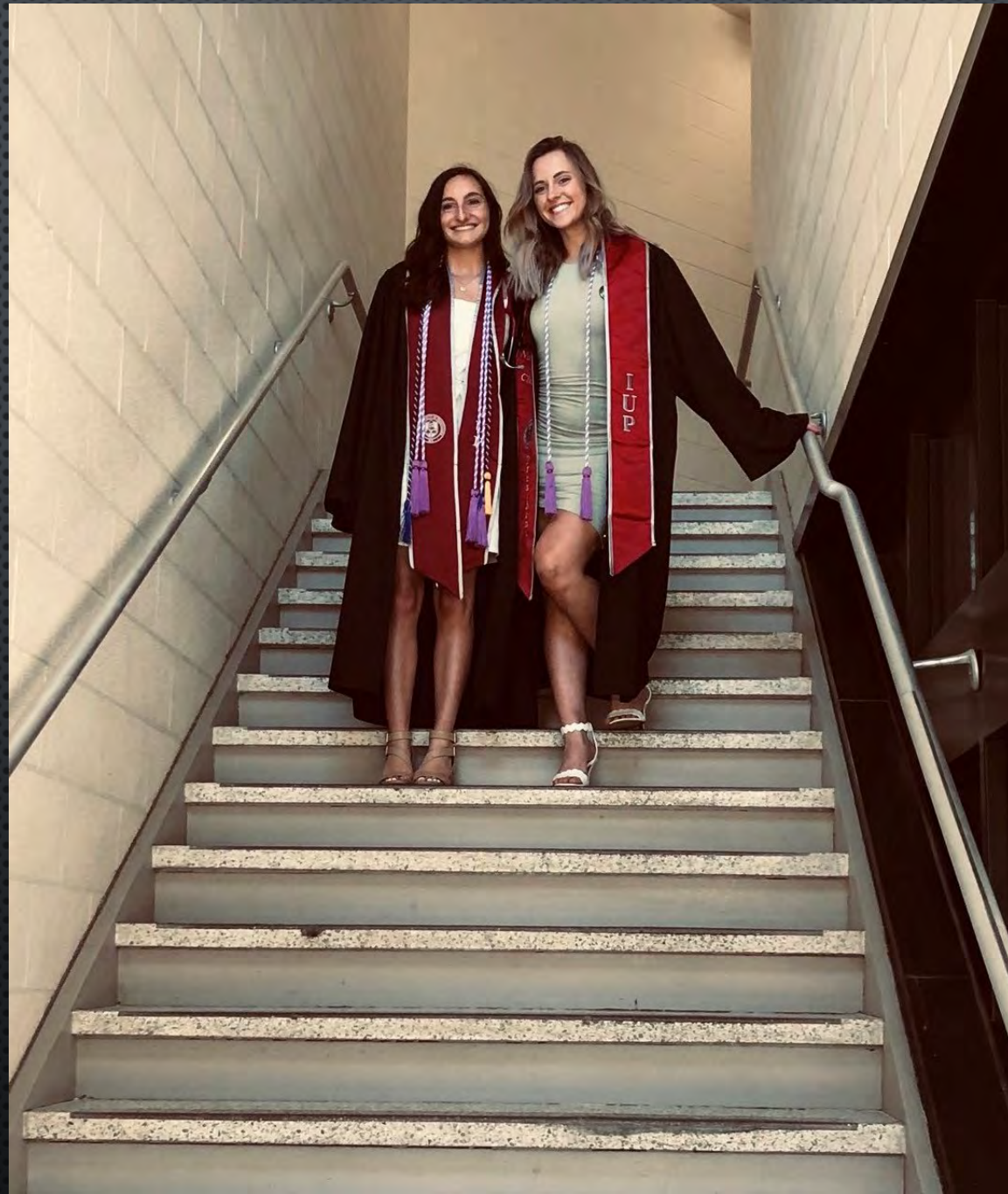








































CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2020
WE WISH YOU MUCH SUCCESS AND ALL THE BEST!

SALLY B. JOHNSON HALL