

White Coat Ceremony Doctor of Dental Surgery Program Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Alumni Hall, Western University 2:00 p.m. ET

London, Ontario, Canada

SCHULICH SCHOOL OF MEDICINE & DENTISTRY

The Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry has a long tradition of excellence, beginning with the founding of the medical school in 1881 and continuing with the formation of the dental school in 1964.

Our reputation has been built by dedicated teachers, breakthrough discoveries, our commitment to social responsibility and our affinity for strategic partnerships.

Today, Schulich Medicine & Dentistry is a leading Canadian centre of outstanding education and research shaping health care for the next generation.

WESTERN UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1878, Western University delivers an exemplary learning experience that engages the best and brightest people, challenging them to meet ever-higher standards in the classroom and beyond.

Western informs every dimension of a student – intellectual, social, cultural as well as physical. From our home in London, Ontario, Canada, outward across every continent, Western prepares future leaders to succeed.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that Western University is located on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabek, Haudenosaunee, Lunaapéewak and Chonnonton nations, on lands connected with the London Township and Sombra Treaties of 1796 and the Dish with One Spoon Covenant Wampum.

We respect the longstanding relationships that Indigenous Nations have to this land, as they are the original caretakers.

We acknowledge historical and ongoing injustices that Indigenous Peoples (e.g. First Nations, Métis and Inuit) endure in Canada, and we accept responsibility as a public institution to contribute toward revealing and correcting miseducation as well as renewing respectful relationships with Indigenous communities through our teaching, research and community service.

ORDER OF CEREMONY

MASTER OF CEREMONIES' WELCOME

Dr. Marcela Ibarra, Assistant Professor

TRADITIONAL OPENING

Delainey Mattern, Indigenous Medical & Dental Student Association (IMDSA)

DIRECTOR'S ADDRESS

Dr. Carlos Quiñonez, Vice Dean and Director, Schulich Dentistry

GUEST SPEAKERS' ADDRESSES

Dr. Harinder Sandhu, President, Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario (RCDSO)

Dr. David Brown, President-Elect, Ontario Dental Association (ODA)

Dr. Lesli Hapak, ODA Representative, Board of Directors, Canadian Dental Association (CDA)

Dr. Christopher Fanelli, President, London & District Dental Society (LDDS)

Dr. Karin Van Ryswyk, American College of Dentists (ACD), Ontario Section Treasurer

PRESENTATION OF WHITE COATS

ORATOR

Dr. Georgia Nikoloudaki, Assistant Professor

CLOAKERS

Dr. Harinder Sandhu, President, Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario (RCDSO)

Dr. Lisa Bentley, Past President, Ontario Dental Association (ODA)

RECITATION OF DENTISTS' OATH OF COMMITMENT

Dr. Harinder Sandhu, President, Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario (RCDSO)

UWODSS'S ADDRESS

Jaskaran Beniwal, President, University of Western Ontario Dental Student Society

CLASS PHOTO

Class photo will take place immediately after the ceremony, on University College Hill.

DENTISTS' OATH OF COMMITMENT

As a new dental student,

- I RECOGNIZE that the practice of dentistry is a privilege that comes with considerable responsibility.
- I SOLEMNLY ACKNOWLEDGE that my paramount responsibility is to the health and well-being of my patients.
- I PLEDGE that I will practise my profession with conscience and dignity.
- I WILL STRIVE to always act with sympathy and kindness to all patients in alleviating their concerns and pain.
- I WILL RESPECT my patients' rights to make informed decisions about their care, based on their personal values and beliefs.
- I WILL ENDEAVOUR to work with the faculty and my colleagues in a spirit of cooperation and respect.
- I RECOGNIZE the limits of my knowledge and will seek to maintain and increase my understanding and skills throughout my professional life.
- I WILL ALWAYS UPHOLD the ethical standards of this honourable profession, and behave with honour and decency.
- In the presence of this gathering, I make this oath of commitment solemnly, freely, and upon my honour.

DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY INCOMING STUDENTS

Mardin Aezaz Ali Ghertaati Soulene Sabir

Divya Aggarwal Alexandria Azul Gonzales Nidhi Sachdeva

Ansu Elizabeth Alex Amy Jiajie Guo Johannan Sala

Daveline Cyndie Amertil Justin Andrew Howe Ryan Salama

Ishaan Arora Julia Kaf-Alghazal Mohammed Salemwalla

Hammad Athar Nitesh Kandel Hamed Sazavar

Gurleen Bajwa Aditi Kapoor Massimo Lando Gerald

Ruchi Vishal Bari Parsa Karimi Sementilli

Isabella Barile Nia Katani Arshia Sepahdoost

Shyla Bhayana Ava Khansari Shanu

Ardavan Bonyadi Behrouz Larissa Kouroukis Aakash Sharma

Alec Janes Brandwood Seojin Lee Ashish Sharma

Alexa Burks Sumin Lee Angel Shon

Angel Cai John Li Marjorie Josephine

Sloboda

Natalie Sophia Casola Negar Madihi Dhamodhar Shyam

Justin Daniel Chamberlain Mony Asaad Madlol Taliyakula

Shruthi Chandra Sekharan Caroline Marszal Alex Tremblay

Avery Paul Clavio Sahil Mogla Laxmi Trovagunta

Ezzat Dahi Eric Mun Rachneet Kaur Ubhi

Arpan Das Ethan William Odlozinski Tajveer Kaur Ubhi

Nolan Dawson Tarindervir Panjeta Sophie Whiting

Bundeep Dhaliwal Dhriti Vikram Patel Tamar Wolle

Gurneet Dhanoa Cathy Pham Guyyunge Woo

Jasleen Kour Dua Julia Pham Anna Xia

Faith Kathleen Findlay Jude Power Ariana Zarrabian

Parmpreet Garcha Benjamin Daniel Rain Sandra Zivkovic

