University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

Commencement 2023



SATURDAY, MAY 20
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he academic procession originated in Europe about 800 years ago. As the Middle Ages drew to a close, scholars began to associate in institutions accepting students for the purpose of higher learning. By the 13th century, these institutions had come to be known as universities – a name derived from the word universal, implying that they contained all the knowledge available at that time. The rise of these great European universities in Italy, France, England and the German states was an important part of the Renaissance. Faculties of these early universities wore robes similar to those of the clergy. Hooded robes began when itinerant or "begging" friars added tippets, or shoulder coverings, to the robes that contained a pocket to collect alms or offerings. Today's academic hoods still contain pockets.

Part of the tradition of each university was to adopt official colors of the ornate academic robes its faculty would wear. Universities often selected colors derived from their sponsors, such as royal families

or city-states. Although much of the pomp and circumstance of these early universities has passed into history, the academic gowns and hoods retain the colors passed down by generations of graduates.

American universities followed the traditions of the European universities by adopting their own academic colors, according to a variety of reasons. The University of Kansas chose blue and crimson because the faculty was divided between those wearing the blue of Yale University and the crimson of Harvard University. The gold and silver colors of the University of Colorado symbolized the mineral wealth that financed the university. The cardinal red of the University of Arkansas was chosen in 1895 in a spirited contest, defeating heliotrope, a reddish purple; white was added years later after the rise of intercollegiate athletics.

In addition to the university colors worn on the back of the hoods, faculty holding doctoral and master's degrees wear a specific color on the front bands of their gowns to denote the type of degree they possess. By the 17th century, there were four types of doctoral degrees – law, medicine, philosophy and theology – represented by the colors of purple, green, blue and red, respectively. As you see from your program, there are a large number of colors denoting the many different degrees awarded by universities. Many of these colors will be seen here today on the faculty and officers of the university.

The procession begins with the Grand Marshal representing the faculty, followed by the UAMS Chancellor and President of the University of Arkansas, members of the University of Arkansas Board of Trustees, Deans of the colleges and platform guests. Members of the faculty of UAMS' six colleges follow, and finally, the candidates receiving degrees.

In addition to their academic attire, the UAMS Chancellor and President of the University of Arkansas wear medallions signifying the powers vested in their offices. This is a tradition that also began in the Middle Ages and continues to this day.

Order of Exercises

The Musical Prelude

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet

Remarks on Academic Procession

Vice Marshal
Jeremy Thomas, Pharm.D.
Associate Professor, College of Pharmacy

The Processional

Grand Marshal
Mitchell R. McGill, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, College of Public Health

The National Anthem†

Chandler C. Wilson College of Public Health, Class of 2023

A Call to Gather

Susan McDougal, M.S., BCCC Director of UAMS Pastoral Care Department and Clinical Pastoral Education Programs

Greeting from the UA System

Morril Harriman, Chairman University of Arkansas Board of Trustees

President's Remarks

Donald R. Bobbitt, Ph.D., President University of Arkansas System

Chancellor's Remarks

Cam Patterson, M.D., MBA, Chancellor & CEO, UAMS Health

Conferring of Degrees

Chancellor Patterson Deans of the Colleges

Recognition of Graduates and Closing Remarks

Chancellor Patterson

The Recessional††

Grand Marshal McGill Arkansas Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet

> † The audience will please stand. †† The audience will please remain seated until the recessional has left the arena floor.



Susan S. Smyth, M.D., Ph.D., 1965 - 2022

Dr. Susan Smyth was a nationally respected cardiologist, researcher and leader in academic medicine. As executive vice chancellor of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences and dean of the UAMS College of Medicine from June 2021, until her death on Dec. 31, 2022, Dr. Smyth created and expanded initiatives to improve health care and health equity in Arkansas. She also worked to increase the college's national standings in medical education, research and clinical care. In November 2022, Dr. Smyth was invested as the Arkansas Medical Society Distinguished Dean's Chair.

Dr. Smyth was recruited to UAMS from the University of Kentucky College of Medicine, where she served on the faculty for 15 years and was the Jeff Gill Professor of Cardiology, chief of the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine, and director of the Gill Heart and Vascular Institute in 2011-2021. She also served as a cardiologist and funded investigator for the VA Health Care System. She lent her expertise to numerous national scientific panels and professional organizations, authored more than 200 publications and contributed to over a dozen textbooks.

A native of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, Dr. Smyth graduated from Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, Massachusetts, with a Bachelor of Arts in biology before earning both a medical degree and doctorate in pharmacology from the University of North Carolina (UNC). She completed her internal medicine residency, including a year as chief resident, at University Medical Center in Stony Brook, New York, and cardiology fellowships at Mount Sinai Medical School in New York and UNC, where she joined the faculty in 2001.

In 1988, Dr. Smyth met Andrew Morris, Ph.D. They were married in 1992 and continued to pursue their shared love of science and careers in research and medicine together while raising their sons, Edward and William. Susan and Andrew established and directed an internationally known cardiovascular disease research program as faculty members at UNC, Kentucky and then UAMS, and as funded investigators with the Veterans Affairs Healthcare System. Dr. Smyth was particularly proud of her 18 years of service and the care she was able to provide for veterans as an attending physician at the Lexington, Kentucky, and Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare systems.

Dr. Smyth is survived by her husband; her two sons; her mother, Luan Smyth; and her brothers, Nathan Smyth and James Smyth.



Dr. Smyth pictured with her dogs, Selah and Carmine.

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Instructor

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Alesia Nicole Clay
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Connor Sikes
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Syan Al'Leacia Tyler

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Master of Physician Assistant Studies

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Master of Science in Dietetics

Abby Benham Reilly D. Cline Kennedy Marie Kerins Mary Cris Monsanto Lebig Sydnie Rae Locascio Isabella Laureen McPherson Alexandria Meador Singleton Hope Kathryn Snyder Payton Stowe

Master of Science in Genetic Counseling

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Chelna Galada
Bethany Ruth Johnson
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Doctor of Audiology

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CARDIO RESPIRATORY CARE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH HIGH HONORS

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DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY

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Brittany Kay Gonzales
Jill Kidd
Blakely Nicole Lensing
Monday Darcy Qin
Lela Belle Smith
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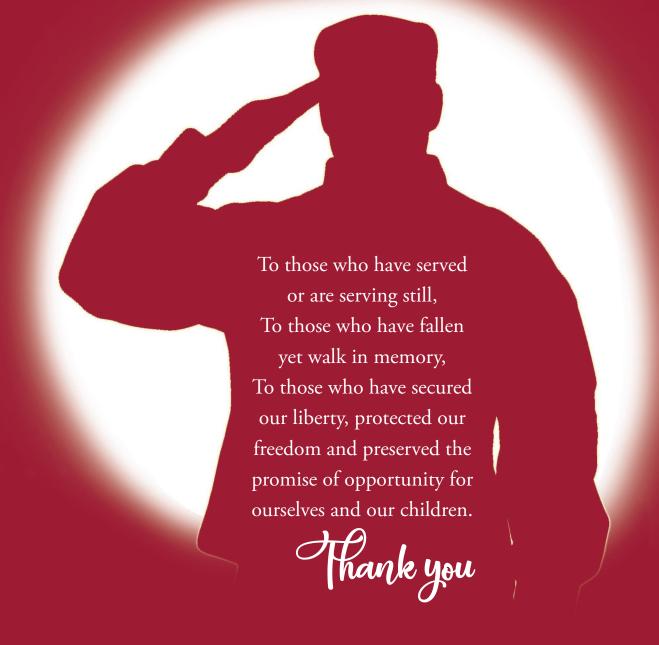
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"When I was a child, I was told that men were branded by war. Has the brand been put on me? Have the years of blood and ruin stripped me of all decency? Of all belief?

Not of all belief. I believe in the force of a hand grenade, the power of artillery, the accuracy of a Garand. I believe in hitting before you get hit, and that dead men do not look noble.

But I also believe in men like Brandon and Novak and Swope and Kerrigan; and all the men who stood up against the enemy, taking their beatings without whimper and their triumphs without boasting. The men who went and would go again to hell and back to preserve what our country thinks right and decent.

My country. America! That is it. We have been so intent on death that we have forgotten life. And now suddenly life faces

us. I swear to myself that I will measure up to it. I may be branded by war, but I will not be defeated by it.

Gradually it becomes clear. I will go back. I will find the kind of girl of whom I once dreamed. I will learn to look at life through uncynical eyes, to have faith, to know love. I will learn to work in peace as in war. And finally-finally, like countless others, I will learn to live again."

Audie Murphy To Hell and Back

Audie Murphy is famous for being the "Most Decorated Soldier in WWII," a record that stands to this day. The son of a Texas sharecropper, Murphy lied about his age in order to join the Army at 17. By the time he was released from service two years later, he had killed 240 German soldiers and was awarded every medal for bravery that the nation bestows, including the Congressional Medal of Honor.

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