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George E. MacKinnon III, PhD, MS, RPh
Founding Dean, School of Pharmacy

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Daisy Sahoo, PhD
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The School of Graduate Studies Oath

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Neil Hogg, PhD
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Joseph E. Kerschner, MD

The Medical School Oath

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Raj Narayan, MD
Associate Dean for Student Affairs

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John R. Raymond, Sr., MD

Processional and Recessional Music

Provided by the MCW Orchestra
Led by Dr. Alexander Mandl

Degrees Awarded

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

The Doctor of Philosophy degree is awarded by MCW in recognition of marked ability and achievement in a particular field of biomedical science or public and community health. To earn the PhD degree, a student must submit a dissertation representing an original research contribution and complete a public defense of that dissertation.

Doctor of Public Health (DrPH)

The Doctor of Public Health degree is a professional doctoral degree awarded by MCW in recognition of expertise in evidence-based public health practice and research. Students participate in a three-year curriculum that includes coursework, an applied practice experience, and a dissertation. Candidates for the DrPH degree must complete a dissertation that generates a field-based product consistent with advanced practice designed to influence programs, policies or systems addressing public health.

Master of Science (MS)

The Master of Science degree is awarded at MCW for postgraduate study in a specific field of biomedical or translational science. A master's thesis that gives evidence of marked scholarly attainment in the student's major subject is required. Candidates for the MS degree must either complete a public defense of their thesis or pass a comprehensive examination based on their total graduate program.

Master of Engineering (ME)

The Master of Engineering degree in Biomedical Engineering (BME) is a non-thesis degree program that includes coursework in existing BME graduate programs of study, upper division undergraduate courses that carry graduate credit, and graduate coursework taken outside of the Department offerings. It is designed

for working engineers. In partnership with Marquette University, the Biomedical Engineering program is interdisciplinary in nature, involving the application of engineering and mathematics to the solution of problems related to medicine and biology. The faculty reflect this interdisciplinary nature in their courses and research.

Master of Arts (MA)

The Master of Arts degree is awarded at MCW in the field of bioethics. A comprehensive examination is required following completion of core coursework. Students may choose between a thesis option and a non-thesis option. A master's thesis providing evidence of high scholarly achievement in the student's area of study must also undergo a public defense. The non-thesis option requires a final paper of publishable quality followed by an oral public defense. The MA program accommodates accelerated or part-time schedules. All degree requirements must be completed within four years, but the average is two years.

Master of Medical Physiology (MMP)

The Master of Medical Physiology degree is awarded at MCW for completion of a one-year program that is closely integrated with the first-year medical student curriculum at MCW. The program provides an experience comparable to that of a medical student, including examinations. It is designed to give students a deeper understanding of human physiology and for college graduates looking to strengthen their academic credentials in preparation for applying to US medical schools.

Master of Public Health (MPH)

The Master of Public Health degree is awarded by MCW for completing curricula focused on public health practice. The online program allows students to learn and apply evidence-based strategies for prevention and community health improvement initiatives. The program takes a broad approach to public health and graduates are prepared to

work in leadership positions in a variety of settings such as governmental agencies, non-profit organizations, healthcare systems, community-based organizations, academic institutions, and other industries. Candidates for the MPH degree complete an applied practice experience and capstone project as culminating experiences to demonstrate mastery of public health competencies.

Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)

The Doctor of Pharmacy degree attests to general knowledge in all fields of pharmacy. The degree is awarded at MCW for completion of the accelerated, three-year program comprised of comprehensive didactic education, robust skills development, and extensive clinical training related to pharmacy practice. The PharmD degree offers opportunities in clinical practice, research, teaching, pharmaceutical industry, manufacturing, judicial, and a multitude of other areas. Successful passing of the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination, Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination, and other state specific requirements are necessary for practice as a registered pharmacist.

Doctor of Medicine (MD)

The Doctor of Medicine degree attests to general knowledge in all fields of medicine as well as the foundational skills required for the practice of medicine. An MCW graduate is prepared to demonstrate problem-solving skills, knowledge of normal and abnormal states, the ability to acquire and utilize information in the clinical management of patients, and the empathic values and caring attitudes critical to the practice of medicine. All medical students are required to take and pass the United States Medical Licensing Examination Step 1 and Step 2- Clinical Knowledge, which are administered by the National Board of Medical Examiners.



**President
Chief Executive Officer**

John R. Raymond, Sr., MD, joined the Medical College of Wisconsin as its sixth President and CEO in July 2010. He previously served as Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost at the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC), where he had been a faculty member since 1996.

Dr. Raymond leads Wisconsin's only private health sciences university, which includes the nation's third-largest private medical school. Under his leadership, MCW continues to be a leader of innovation as Wisconsin's largest private research institution.

A practicing nephrologist with active roles in clinical care, teaching and faculty mentorship, Dr. Raymond also is a medical researcher studying the basic mechanisms of kidney cell function. He has published more than 140 full-length manuscripts and earned nearly \$40 million in funding in his career. He is a member of the Association of American Physicians and the American Society for Clinical Investigation.

Dr. Raymond is a member of the Board of Directors of the United Way of Greater Milwaukee and Waukesha County and served as Co-chair of the 2020 United Way Campaign. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the Versiti Blood Center of Wisconsin's Blood Research Institute. Dr. Raymond is the Past President of the Board of the American Heart Association of Metro Milwaukee. He recently was named as a 2024 *Wisconsin Titan 100*, which recognizes the state's most accomplished business leaders in their respective industries.



**Provost and Executive Vice
President
The Julia A. Uihlein, MA, Dean
of the School of Medicine**

Joseph E. Kerschner, MD, became Dean of the School of Medicine and Executive Vice President of the Medical College of Wisconsin in November 2011. Dr. Kerschner assumed the additional role of Provost in June 2017. In late 2020, Dr. Kerschner was named the inaugural Julia A. Uihlein, MA, Dean of the School of Medicine. He also is a Professor in the Departments of Otolaryngology and Communication Sciences, and Microbiology & Immunology. Dr. Kerschner's past executive positions include CEO of Children's Specialty Group and Executive Vice President of Children's Wisconsin.

An alumnus of MCW, Dr. Kerschner joined the faculty in 1998. As a physician at Children's Wisconsin, his clinical focus is on otitis media (ear infections), voice disorders and vascular anomalies in children. Dr. Kerschner's research includes studies to identify causes of and potential new treatments for pediatric ear infections. Dr. Kerschner has published more than 170 articles, book chapters and reviews in professional journals, and has presented extensively on his clinical and research areas of expertise at scientific meetings.

In November 2020, Dr. Kerschner completed his one-year tenure as Chair of the Board of Directors for the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), an organization that represents more than 170 medical schools in the United States and Canada. He also previously served as Chair of the AAMC's Council of Deans.



**Executive Vice President for
Finance and Administration
Chief Operating Officer**

Matthew Lester, MBA, MHA, CPA, was appointed as Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration, and Chief Operating Officer, effective August 1, 2022. He serves as the principal administrative officer of the Medical College of Wisconsin and is a member of the institution's leadership team.

Mr. Lester is responsible for MCW's financial functions as well as the planning, organizing, evaluating and monitoring of all administrative and facilities functions. He oversees strategic financial and administrative planning, budget development and implementation, policy formulation, facilities and organizational development. Additionally, he has oversight of facilities, central purchasing, information services and other institutional functions as required to support MCW's missions.

Mr. Lester possess more than 25 years of management experience leading and advising healthcare and higher-education organizations. He is a highly collaborative executive, combining strategic planning, operational acumen and business development expertise to develop actionable solutions for a broad array of challenges. Additionally, he brings a robust background of management consulting and financial leadership at two medical schools and experience working closely with hospital leadership to design and execute an aligned affiliation and joint strategy.



**Senior Associate Dean for
Education, School of Medicine**

José Franco, MD, Professor of Medicine (Gastroenterology and Hepatology), was named Senior Associate Dean for Education in the School of Medicine in April 2022. He previously served as Interim Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in the School of Medicine from April 2021 through April 2022. He also serves as Associate Dean for Educational Improvement and as Standardized Teaching and Assessment Resource (STAR) Center Director.

Dr. Franco's extensive service to the education mission also includes his past role as Discovery Curriculum Director.

Dr. Franco has witnessed and/or been involved in curriculum reform, innovation and excellence in teaching at MCW for more than 30 years. Dr. Franco is a member of MCW's Society of Teaching Scholars and received the institution's Distinguished Service Award in 2013.



**Founding Dean, Medical College
of Wisconsin-Green Bay**

Matthew L. Hunsaker, MD, joined the Medical College of Wisconsin as the Founding Campus Dean for the Medical College of Wisconsin-Green Bay and Professor of Family and Community Medicine in January 2014.

Dr. Hunsaker provides overall leadership and management of MCW's regional medical school campus in Green Bay and serves as the primary liaison for our health system, academic and community partners in Northeast Wisconsin, as well as with MCW's Milwaukee campus. Dr. Hunsaker continues to serve as a national and international resource for medical education, Human Resources in Health (HRH), particularly in the design and scale-up of medical education, primary care, and community-based medical teaching models.



**Sentry Dean and Founding
Dean, Medical College of
Wisconsin-Central Wisconsin**

Lisa Grill Dodson, MD, Professor of Family and Community Medicine, joined the Medical College of Wisconsin as Founding Dean for the Medical College of Wisconsin-Central Wisconsin in August 2014. She was named the Sentry Dean, MCW-Central Wisconsin, in December 2019. Dr. Dodson provides overall leadership and management of MCW's regional medical school campus in Central Wisconsin and serves as the primary liaison for our health system, academic and community partners in that locale, as well as with MCW's Milwaukee campus.

Prior to joining the MCW faculty, Dr. Dodson was Director of the Oregon Area Health Education Center and Associate Professor of Family Medicine at Oregon Health & Science University in Portland.

Dr. Dodson advocates for innovation in both medical education and care delivery to ensure the availability of high-quality care to rural and other non-urban populations. Her leadership has been recognized by the receipt of several awards, including the Oregon Family Physician of the Year in 2009 and the MCW President's Community Engagement Award in 2017.



**Founding Dean, School of
Pharmacy**

George E. MacKinnon III, PhD, MS, RPh, joined the Medical College of Wisconsin in 2015 as Founding Dean and Professor of the School of Pharmacy. He also serves as Professor of Family and Community Medicine in the School of Medicine and Institute for Health & Equity in the Graduate School.

He leads the MCW School of Pharmacy to deliver a dynamic and innovative Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum and to expand pharmacist care models in collaborative approaches to team-based care. Dr. MacKinnon has held academic appointments in medicine and pharmacy engaging in clinical practice, research, teaching, and academic administration, where he has helped to successfully establish four new academic pharmacy programs across the United States. His non-academic appointments have included Vice President of Academic Affairs with the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, and Director of Global Health Economics & Outcomes Research at Abbott Laboratories. He is a Fellow of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (FASHP) and Distinguished Scholar Fellow of the National Academies of Practice (NAP). He is a recipient of an honorary Doctor of Medical Sciences from the Medical College of Wisconsin in 2022. Dr. MacKinnon serves on the board of the Pharmacy Society of Wisconsin and AACP as Chair-elect representative of the Council of Deans (COD).



Dean, School of Graduate Studies

Daisy Sahoo, PhD, was named Dean of the Medical College of Wisconsin School of Graduate Studies and the inaugural holder of the Women in Science Endowed Professorship effective February 1, 2024. She also currently serves as Professor of Medicine, with secondary appointments in the Departments of Biochemistry and Pharmacology & Toxicology. As Dean, she oversees all aspects of the MCW Graduate School, which includes 33 different academic programs comprising doctorate, Master's, and certificate programs.

Dr. Sahoo joined the MCW faculty in 2007 as Assistant Professor of Medicine and rose through the ranks to Professor with Tenure in 2018. She served as Vice Chair for Research in the Department of Medicine from 2014-2024 and as President of the MCW Faculty Council from 2020-2021.

Dr. Sahoo's work has been supported by the NIH with continuous R01 funding since 2007, and she has directly generated more than \$7.1 million in total research funding to study cholesterol transport and cardiovascular disease. She received MCW's *Women in Science Pioneer Research Award* in 2021.

Dr. Sahoo has mentored numerous undergraduate, medical and graduate students as well as postdoctoral fellows and faculty. Her mentoring efforts were recognized with the Department of Medicine's *Mentorship Award*, by MCW's graduate students with the 2023 *Mentor of the Year* award, and at the national level with a mentoring award from the American Heart Association.

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Phil Flynn joined Associated Bank in 2009 as President and Chief Executive Officer and retired in 2021.

Previously, Mr. Flynn held the position of vice chairman and chief operating officer of Union Bank in California. During his nearly 30-year career at Union Bank, he held a broad range of other executive positions, including chief credit officer and head of commercial banking, specialized lending and wholesale banking activities.

In addition to the Medical College of Wisconsin, Mr. Flynn serves on the Boards of St. Norbert College and the Green Bay Packers.

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Dalvery Blackwell

Doctor of Humanities



For the last 15 years, Ms. Dalvery Blackwell has served as a Co-Founder and Executive Director of the African American Breastfeeding Network (AABN). Her career is dedicated to improving maternal-child health outcomes, championing breastfeeding equity by advocating for system/policy changes, and partnering with community-based, family-centered, culturally tailored health education and support services. Before founding AABN, she worked in different capacities in public health. As a program coordinator for the Black Health Coalition of Wisconsin, Ms. Blackwell was instrumental in leading the efforts to make Wisconsin one of the first states in the country to create legislation banning smoking in public places. Soon after marrying and having her first child, Ms. Blackwell committed her work to addressing breastfeeding disparities. Her first stop on her public health journey was a job with the Milwaukee County's Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children as a breastfeeding peer counselor. Soon after, in 2011, she became an International Board-Certified Lactation Consultant.

Under Ms. Blackwell's direction, AABN has worked to enhance and improve maternal and infant health by providing breastfeeding education, support, and services, especially for families at risk for prematurity and adverse birth outcomes. AABN was created to normalize breastfeeding by eradicating stigma, providing support, and increasing self-efficacy and knowledge of breastfeeding rights in public, professional, and educational settings. Culturally relevant programming from AABN begins with prenatal education and support and extends through the postpartum period for the entire family. In 2019, the Board of Directors led the mission change to include advocating for breastfeeding equity and championing maternal-child health.

The many accomplishments of AABN as a reproductive justice community-based organization has enabled it to receive consistent funding from local and national foundations, donors, organizations, and government sources. In 2020 and 2021, AABN received \$500,000 in funding to form the WeRISE Doula program, intended to provide labor and delivery support and protection from COVID-19 to Black birthing families in southeastern Wisconsin. In 2022, AABN received another \$500,000 grant from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, which brought the nationally acclaimed, evidence-based, trauma-informed care doula training from HealthConnect One to the WeRISE Doula Initiative. In 2023, Ms. Blackwell joined Drs. Anna Palatnik (Contact PI), Jessica Olson, Joni Williams, and Julia Dickson-Gomez (MPIs) as a Co-Investigator on the ASCEND Wisconsin Initiative, a seven-year, \$10 million NIH-funded proposal which aims to eliminate racial and ethnic disparities in maternal morbidity in southeastern Wisconsin through equitable partnerships and commitment to policy-level change.

Through Ms. Blackwell's leadership and vision, AABN has built eminent goodwill in the community. The organization has been recognized and highlighted in local, state, and national media, including Essence Magazine's "Top Ten Things People Are Talking About," and the CDC "Breastfeeding Report Card." Ms. Blackwell is a recipient of the Wisconsin Public Health Association's Award for *Excellence in Health Promotion and Disease Prevention*, the Wisconsin Alliance for Women's Health's *Women of Commitment Award*, and the Milwaukee Community Journal's *Year of the Child: A Game Changer Honoree*.

Christine K. Cassel, MD

Doctor of Medical Science



Dr. Christine K. Cassel is a Professor of Medicine at the University of California at San Francisco School of Medicine, and Senior Advisor for Strategy and Policy, where she is working on biomedical ethics and the role of technology in healthcare. She leads an ethics and governance core for the UCSF Clinical Translational Science Institute, co-chairs a working group for the University of California Health System task force on health data governance, and serves on the standing AI Council for the President of the University of California.

In March of 2018, Dr. Cassel completed her term as Planning Dean for the new Kaiser Permanente School of Medicine, based in Pasadena, California. From 2013-2016, she was the President and CEO of the National Quality Forum, and prior to that served as President and CEO of the American Board of Internal Medicine and the ABIM Foundation.

Dr. Cassel was one of 20 scientists – and the only physician – chosen by President Obama to serve on the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST). She chaired or co-chaired PCAST reports on health information technology, scientific innovation in drug development and evaluation, systems engineering in healthcare, technology to foster independence and quality of life in an aging population, and safe drinking water systems.

Dr. Cassel is a leading expert in geriatrics and policy for an aging society, bioethics, and professional standards and quality of care. In her academic career she has served as Dean of the School of Medicine at Oregon Health and

Sciences University, as Chair of the Department of Geriatrics and Adult Development at Mount Sinai School of Medicine, and as Chief of General Internal Medicine at the University of Chicago. Among her many professional achievements and honors, Dr. Cassel was elected to membership of the National Academy of Medicine in 1992, and has served on or chaired influential reports such as *To Err is Human*, *Crossing the Quality Chasm*, *Approaching Death: Improving Care at the End of Life*, and *Addressing Burnout: A Systems Approach to Improving Care by Enhancing Clinician Wellbeing*.

Dr. Cassel was the first woman President of the American College of Physicians and, subsequently, first woman Chair of the American Board of Internal Medicine. She has served as Chair of the Board of the Greenwall Foundation (a national foundation for bioethics), and President of the American Federation for Aging Research, and was a member of the Advisory Committee to the Director at the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Cassel's other board service includes the Kaiser Foundation Health Plan and Hospitals, Premier, Inc, and the Russell Sage Foundation.

Dr. Cassel currently advises a number of start-up companies using information science to advance healthcare quality. She has received numerous honorary degrees and is a Fellow of the Royal Colleges of Medicine of England and Canada. She also is author of more than 200 articles and author or editor of 11 books, including one of the leading textbooks in geriatric medicine, and *Medicare Matters: What Geriatric Medicine Can Teach American Health Care*.

Howard Fuller, PhD

Doctor of Humanities



Howard Fuller's career includes many years in both public service positions and the field of education. Dr. Fuller recently retired from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he now is a Distinguished Professor Emeritus.

Immediately before his appointment at Marquette University, Dr. Fuller served as the Superintendent of Milwaukee Public Schools.

Dr. Fuller received his B.S. degree in Sociology from Carroll College in Waukesha, Wisconsin; his M.S.A. degree in Social Administration from Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio; and his Ph.D. in Sociological Foundations of Education from Marquette University.

Dr. Fuller has received numerous awards and recognitions over the years, including four Honorary Doctorate Degrees: Doctorate of Humane Letters from Carroll College; Doctorate of Laws from Marian College, Fond Du Lac,

Wisconsin; Doctorate of Business and Economics from the Milwaukee School of Engineering; and Doctorate of Humane Letters from Edgewood College, Madison, Wisconsin.

Dr. Fuller also is a member of the Charter School Hall of Fame of the National Alliance for Public Charter Schools; the Athletic Hall of Fame at North Division High School and Carroll University; and the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Dr. Fuller was honored as the Distinguished Alumnus of the Jack, Joseph, and Morton Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences at Case Western Reserve University in 2020, and was the recipient of the Marquette University 2023 Service Award.

He serves on the Board of Directors of the Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy.

His memoir, *No Struggle No Progress*, was published in 2014.

David C. Leach, MD

Doctor of Medical Science



David C. Leach, MD, was born in Elmira, New York. He received his undergraduate degree from St. Michael's College of the University of Toronto, his medical degree from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, and his training in Internal Medicine and Endocrinology and Metabolism at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. He received additional training in Pediatric Endocrinology at the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

For nearly thirty years, Dr. Leach practiced endocrinology at Henry Ford Hospital, taught University of Michigan medical students, and was a teaching hospitalist. In the early 1980s he became the Director of Medical Education and Transitional Residency program director at Henry Ford. He also became seriously interested in how resident physicians acquire competence, and in 1997 was recruited to lead the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) as it shifted toward a competency-based model of accreditation. At that time, the ACGME accredited more than 6,000 residency programs in 120 different specialties that in aggregate housed more than 110,000 residents. The Competency Initiative was designed to use the leverage afforded by accreditation, the

assessment tools developed by the community, and partnership with the certifying boards to ensure that programs were producing graduates competent in the practice of their discipline. During Dr. Leach's tenure duty, hour restrictions also were addressed when it became evident that changes in the practice of medicine had negatively impacted both patient safety and resident well-being.

Dr. Leach has served on the boards of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement; the National Center for Healthcare Leadership; the Picker Institute; the Rosalind Franklin University; and the Mercy Health System (now Bon Secours Mercy Health). In 2007, he received the Association of American Medical Colleges' (AAMC) Award for Excellence in Medical Education (formerly called the Flexner Award). He also was given the Good Samaritan Award by Michigan's Governor John Engler for 25 years of volunteer service at the Cabrini Clinic, a free clinic in downtown Detroit.

Dr. Leach now lives in Williamsburg, Virginia, with Jackie, his wife of almost fifty years, and spends his time noticing beauty, practicing gratitude, and embracing patience.

Amy Lovell
 Doctor of Humanities



A passionate service-driven leader who is committed to creating and supporting a trauma-responsive community, Ms. Amy Lovell co-founded two of southeastern Wisconsin's preeminent organizations that address mental health and wellness.

Ms. Lovell co-founded REDgen (Resilience EDucation for a new generation), a nonprofit organization that works to bridge systems to promote resiliency in the lives of our youth and families. She currently serves on the organization's board of directors.

REDgen is a peer-to-peer resiliency program that builds a foundation for all youth to move from surviving to thriving at school, home, and within their communities. There are approximately 30 REDgen chapters in participating middle and high schools in the greater Milwaukee area. The program has developed more than 400 student leaders and impacted more than 17,000 youth.

Ms. Lovell also co-founded Scaling Wellness in Milwaukee (SWIM) with her husband, Marquette University President, Dr. Michael R. Lovell. SWIM is an organization that drives community-based collaboration to help prevent and respond to trauma and create a resilient Milwaukee. Through education, training, and wellness and resilience services, the organization equips community

members with the tools they need to understand their own trauma, heal, and build resilience.

SWIM programs provide wellness and resilience services and teach SWIM's workplace training program, which helps organizations build awareness of the role of trauma in the workplace and develop policies and procedures that respond to trauma.

In recognition of the Lovells' tremendous leadership to address mental health at Marquette and across Milwaukee and the region, the third and fourth floors of the wellness tower within the Marquette University's new Wellness + Helfaer Recreation facility will be named the Lovell Center for Student Well-Being. The Lovells were named the 2018 Community Leaders of the Year by BizTimes Milwaukee for their commitment to building a healthier, more productive Milwaukee.

In 2020, Ms. Lovell was honored by the *Milwaukee Business Journal* as a Woman of Influence.

She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy from the University of Pittsburgh and worked as a licensed pharmacist in New York, Kentucky, and Pennsylvania prior to moving to Milwaukee in 2008. She and Dr. Lovell are the parents of four adult children.

Michael Lovell
 Doctor of Humanities



Dr. Michael R. Lovell was named Marquette University's 24th President in March 2014. Under his visionary leadership, Marquette focuses on innovation, entrepreneurship, and community renewal and development — all consistent with the university's Catholic, Jesuit mission. Marquette delivers students a transformative education and prepares them for fulfilling careers and purposeful lives, and to be men and women for others.

Working with business and community leaders in Marquette's neighborhood, Dr. Lovell helped create the Near West Side Partners, a nonprofit focused on strengthening economic development, housing, neighborhood identity, and safety. He also played a key role in launching several other important initiatives in Milwaukee, including the Midwest Energy Research Consortium, The Commons, Scale-Up Milwaukee, The Water Council and the Northwestern Mutual Data Science Institute.

Dr. Lovell and his wife, Amy, founded Scaling Wellness in Milwaukee (SWIM), an organization that drives community-based collaboration to help prevent and respond to trauma and create a resilient Milwaukee. They were named the 2018 Community Leaders of the Year by *BizTimes Milwaukee* for their commitment to building a healthier, more productive Milwaukee.

Since being diagnosed with sarcoma in August 2021, Dr. Lovell has been very active in raising funds for cancer research and support programs. He presently serves as the Co-chair of the Wisconsin chapter of CEOs Against Cancer, a program of the American Cancer Society. The Lovells co-chaired the 2023 Stronger than

Sarcoma Soiree for Research. Dr. Lovell was featured in the October 2023 Rare Storytellers program presented by Harmony 4 Hope in partnership with the Linda T. and John A. Mellowes Center for Genomic Sciences and Precision Medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin.

The fourth-longest serving president in Marquette's 143-year history, Dr. Lovell serves on the boards of The Water Council; the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities; the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities; and the Fund for Wisconsin Scholars. He is a member of the executive committees of the Higher Education Regional Alliance; the Greater Milwaukee Committee; and the Big East Conference; and co-chairs the Council on Competitiveness's University Leadership Forum.

Prior to joining Marquette, Dr. Lovell served the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee as Chancellor and, earlier, Dean of its engineering college. He previously held academic and research leadership positions at the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Kentucky.

Dr. Lovell holds three mechanical engineering degrees from the University of Pittsburgh. He has received awards from the National Science Foundation, Society of Manufacturing Engineers, and numerous other organizations; is a fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and National Academy of Inventors; and holds U.S. and global patents.

The Lovells are the parents of four adult children.



Catherine R. Lucey, MD, MACP

Doctor of Medical Science



Catherine R. Lucey, MD, MACP, leads the robust research enterprise and highly ranked academic programs at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), as Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost.

Dr. Lucey works in close collaboration with the Chancellor and the leadership team to develop and implement campus priorities and vision, maintain the University's status as an international leader in health sciences education and research, and oversee external partnerships representing UCSF's best interests across the University of California system, at the UC Office of the President, and beyond.

Renowned for her leadership, Dr. Lucey was Vice Dean for Education and Executive Vice Dean for the School of Medicine, reporting to Dean Talmadge E. King, Jr. In these roles, she directed the undergraduate, graduate, and continuing medical education programs of the School of Medicine and the Office of Medical Education. A champion of diversity, equity, and inclusion, Dr. Lucey also was on the executive management team for the School of Medicine's Differences Matters Initiative and oversaw other strategic projects across the campus.

Her national portfolio of work has included membership on the National Academy of Medicine, the Board of Directors of the Association of American Medical Colleges, and the American Board of Medical Specialties. Additionally, she served as Chair of the American Board of Internal Medicine. In these roles, she has worked to influence the direction of academic medicine and the continuum of medical education in ways aligned with UCSF's approach to education, culture, and community.

Dr. Lucey joined UCSF in 2011 from The Ohio State University, where she was Vice Dean for Education for the College of Medicine and Associate Vice President for Health Sciences Education for the Office of Health Sciences. She completed her residency in internal medicine at UCSF, including service as Chief Resident at the UCSF-affiliated San Francisco General Hospital (now named Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center).

Dr. Lucey earned her medical degree from Northwestern University School of Medicine.

It is a sobering experience to contemplate the scope and magnitude of medical knowledge that has accrued in the past 50 years. Those who can best appreciate the astonishing discoveries that have converted medicine into a highly complex science are these 104 physicians who entered the profession decades ago.

They have a special vantage point from which to observe what has transpired. Among this select group are physicians who completed their studies in 1974 at this medical school. The Medical College of Wisconsin is pleased to honor these esteemed alumni for contributions to the field of medicine during an era which continually challenged their talents.

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Graduates of 2024:

Congratulations on this momentous occasion! On behalf of the MCW/ Marquette Medical Alumni Association, I welcome you to our proud, accomplished, and growing community, a network that can uplift and be an incredible resource.

You have all worked so hard for this day. I hope your experience at MCW provided a robust learning environment where collaboration among our scientists, clinicians, students, and healthcare professionals promoted persistent curiosity and provided you with unique and powerful educational opportunities. The Medical College of Wisconsin positioned you well to meet the ever changing needs of the communities you will serve.

We will follow your progress and success with great anticipation and admiration, because just as MCW will always be a part of you, you will always be a part of MCW. The Alumni Association continues to be grateful for all the ways our alumni are active on and off campus, whether in person or virtually. We have created tools to support students and we know that connecting students with those in our MCW alumni community is a powerful resource. I encourage you to continually seek out opportunities to connect with MCW and your fellow alumni (there are over 20,000 of us!). I hope to see you at **MCWengage.com**. If you have not already registered, please do so now.

Congratulations and best wishes,



Betty S. Pace, MD '81, GME '84
President, MCW/Marquette Medical Alumni Association

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"I do hereby promise to conduct myself in a manner deserving of inclusion in the community of scholars that I join today by fostering collegiality and engagement. I will disavow prejudice, never allowing financial gain, competition, or ambition to cloud my judgment in the ethical conduct of my craft. I will act with honesty, integrity and objectivity in the pursuit of constructive knowledge that furthers my discipline and benefits society as a whole. Finally, I will honor the foundation of knowledge that has come before me and the promise of new discoveries to come."

- This Oath was written by 2014 graduate Jessica Priestley and members of MCW's Graduate Student Association

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Olaitan J. Akinboboye, MD
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MD Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Osun state

Public and Community Health
Dissertation: The Role of the Social Determinants of Health on Glycemic Control in African Americans with History of Criminal legal involvement and Type 2 Diabetes
Mentor: Rebekah Walker, PhD



Reilly L. Allison
BA Emory University 2019

Cell and Developmental Biology
Dissertation: Astrocyte-targeted therapeutics to correct glial inflammatory signaling and neuron loss in SMA and ALS
Mentor: Allison D. Ebert, PhD
September 29, 2023



Santiago Alvarez Argote, MD
Cali, Colombia,
MD Universidad del Valle 2012

Physiology
Basic and Translational Science Concentration
Dissertation: Interleukin 13 Signaling to Macrophages Improves Recovery after Myocardial Infarction
Mentor: Caitlin C. O'Meara, PhD
November 30, 2023



Dayeong An
Menomonee Falls, WI
Biomedical Engineering*
Dissertation: Deep Learning and Machine Learning Approaches in Advanced Magnetic Resonance Imaging for Reducing Cancer Treatment-Induced Cardiotoxicity
Mentor: El-Sayed H. Ibrahim, PhD
February 29, 2024

*Joint Doctor of Philosophy program with Marquette University



Olivia Arnold
Chicago, IL
BS Marquette University 2018

Cell and Developmental Biology
Dissertation: Epigenetic Regulation in Normal and Malignant Hematopoiesis
Mentor: Nan Zhu, PhD
April 30, 2024



Joanna S. Balza
Milwaukee, WI
BSN Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing 2012

Public and Community Health
Dissertation: Preventing childhood lead poisoning: Risk factors and points of intervention
Mentor: Kathryn E. Flynn, PhD
April 30, 2024



Jean C. Bikomeye
Kibungo, Rwanda
MPH Mount Kenya University 2017

Public and Community Health
Dissertation: Greenspace and CardioOncology: Disentangling disparities and links between exposure and outcomes in the United States
Mentor: Kirsten M.M. Beyer, PhD, MPH, MS



Wenjing Chen
Biochemistry
Dissertation: The Role of Estrogen-Related Receptor Alpha and Heat Shock Protein Family A Member 9 in Thyroid Cancer
Mentor: Jong-In Park, PhD
February 29, 2024



Kristina J. Chern
Eden, WI
BS Marian University 2016

Cell and Developmental Biology

Dissertation: The Development of a Prostaglandin-based Gene Therapy for the Treatment of Glaucoma

Mentor: Daniel M. Lipinski, MSc, Dphil
December 29, 2023



Ugochukwu K. Ihenacho
BS Northwest Missouri State University 2012

Biochemistry

Dissertation: Elucidating the Structural And Mitochondrial Fission Roles of a Conserved Non-Canonical Insert Motif in Fis1

Mentor: Blake Hill, PhD
October 31, 2023



Erica Z. Marion
Milwaukee, WI
BS Mount Mary University 2018

Public and Community Health

Dissertation: Exploring Motherhood, Resilience and Mental Health for Mothers with Young Children During COVID-19: A Mixed Methods Study

Mentor: Laura Cassidy, PhD
October 31, 2023



Christopher E. Monti
Cary, IL
BS Duke University 2017

Microbiology and Immunology

Dissertation: Computational Modeling of Physiologic and Pathologic Systems

Mentor: Scott S. Terhune, PhD and Ranjan K. Dash, PhD
April 30, 2024



Shima Sadri

Biomedical Engineering*

Dissertation: Characterizing Substrate-Dependent Cardiac and Renal Mitochondrial Respiration and Bioenergetics and Mitochondrial and NADPH Oxidase 2 Medicated ROS Production

Mentor: Ranjan K. Dash, PhD
August 31, 2023

**Joint Doctor of Philosophy program with Marquette University*



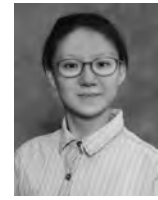
Austin J. Stellpflug
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BS Marquette University 2018

Biomedical Engineering*

Dissertation: Development of a New Generation of Nanoparticles with Acellular Porcine Bone for Regenerative Engineering and Orthopedic Therapies

Mentor: Bo Wang, PhD
February 29, 2024

**Joint Doctor of Philosophy program with Marquette University*



Xi Fang

Biostatistics

Dissertation: Statistical Methods to improve estimation efficiency for right-censored data under observational studies and clinical trials

Mentor: Soyoung Kim, PhD
February 29, 2024



Seongtaek Lee
MS University of Alabama at Birmingham 2016

Biomedical Engineering*

Dissertation: Noninvasive Perfusion MRI and Angiography with Arterial Spin Labeling (ASL) in the Rat Spinal Cord

Mentor: Brian Schmit, PhD and Matthew Budde, PhD
August 31, 2023

**Joint Doctor of Philosophy program with Marquette University*



Amanda M. Marks
BS University of Wisconsin-Parkside 2017

Physiology

Dissertation: The Identification of Novel Molecular Mediators of Renal Counterbalance

Mentor: Alison J. Kriegel, PhD
June 30, 2023



Wasif A. Osmani
Chicago, IL
BS Loyola University-Chicago 2016

Physiology

Dissertation: Seizure-induced neuroinflammation in key sites of ventilatory control in the brainstem: insights into Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP)

Mentor: Matthew R. Hodges, PhD
May 31, 2023



Bailey C. Sarka
Ionia, MI
BA Adrian College 2018

Pharmacology and Toxicology

Dissertation: Measuring the effect of neuropathic pain on drug-seeking ensembles in the dorsomedial prefrontal cortex

Mentor: Christopher M. Olsen, PhD
January 31, 2024



Samantha K. Swift
Cell and Developmental Biology

Basic and Translational Science Concentration

Dissertation: Cardiomyocyte Ploidy Dynamics in Development and Repair

Mentor: Michaela Patterson, PhD
October 31, 2023



Elaheh Hashemi
MS Tarbiat Modarres University 2015

Microbiology and Immunology

Dissertation: Transcriptomic Diversity of Innate Lymphoid Cells During Their Developmental in Human Lymph nodes

Mentor: Subramaniam Malarkannan, PhD



Shuai Liu

Pharmacology and Toxicology

Dissertation: Investigation of the necessity, sufficiency, and specificity of the dmPFC cocaine-seeking ensemble

Mentor: Christopher M. Olsen, PhD
April 30, 2024



Carly A. M. Mascari
Wauwatosa, WI
BS University of Wisconsin-Madison 2014

Microbiology and Immunology

Dissertation: Cell wall stress-induced regulation of the committed step of peptidoglycan synthesis in Enterococcus faecalis and its implications for cephalosporin resistance

Mentor: Christopher J. Kristich, PhD
November 30, 2023



Suzette Rosas-Rogers

Microbiology and Immunology

Dissertation: Defining the Interplay between Cytomegalovirus UL27 and the Host Proteasome in the Viral Lifecycle

Mentor: Scott S. Terhune, PhD
December 29, 2023



Gopika SenthilKumar

BS University of Wisconsin-Madison 2019

Physiology

Dissertation: The Dual Role of Ceramides in the Human Microvascular Endothelium

Mentor: Julie K. Freed, MD, PhD
March 29, 2024



Sarah B. Timmler

Wauwatosa, WI
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Microbiology and Immunology

Dissertation: Regulation of a cell-wall-stress-sensing two-component system and its impact on downstream effectors required for antibiotic resistance in Enterococcus faecalis

Mentor: Christopher J. Kristich, PhD
March 29, 2024



Heather Heitkotter
BA Lake Forest College 2016

Cell and Developmental Biology

Dissertation: Multimodal assessment of photoreceptor structure and function in retinal trauma

Mentor: Joseph J. Carroll, PhD
December 29, 2023



Natalia Marin Mathieu
Medellin, Colombia

Physiology

Dissertation: Role of β -arrestin2 in the Regulation of Blood Pressure and Fluid Homeostasis in the Brain

Mentor: Curt D. Sigmund, PhD
April 30, 2024



Briana P. Meyer

Biophysics

Dissertation: Spinal Cord Perfusion MRI: Technical Advancements with Arterial Spin Labeling and Application to Preclinical Traumatic Injury

Mentor: Matthew Budde, PhD
May 31, 2023



Joseph R. Rouse

Des Plaines, IL
MS University of Wisconsin-Parkside

Microbiology and Immunology

Dissertation: Borrelia burgdorferi Peptidoglycan Alters Host Immune Responses

Mentor: Robert B. Lochhead, PhD
March 29, 2024



Erika M. Shaw

Lafayette, IN
BS Wisconsin Lutheran College 2018

Cell and Developmental Biology

Dissertation: The Development and Characterization of a Primary Porcine Cell Culture Model of Dry Age-Related Macular Degeneration

Mentor: Daniel M. Lipinski, MSc, Dphil
April 30, 2024



Nicole E. VanZeeland

Neenah, WI
BS St. Norbert College 2017

Microbiology and Immunology

Dissertation: Modulation of PASTA kinase signaling by a downstream substrate impacts cephalosporin resistance in Enterococcus faecalis

Mentor: Christopher J. Kristich, PhD
October 31, 2023

Doctor of Philosophy



Tyler B. Waltz
Hershey, PA
BA Arcadia University 2015
Cell and Developmental Biology
Dissertation: Neuronal and non-neuronal mechanisms of Fabry disease pain
Mentor: Cheryl L. Stucky, PhD
August 31, 2023



Eugenia A. Wulff Fuentes
Caracas, Venezuela
BS University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point 2017
Biochemistry
Dissertation: The Nutrient Sensing O-GlcNAc Modification in Development and Neuroendocrine Function
Mentor: Stephanie Olivier-Van Stichelen, PhD
April 31, 2024



Adrian P. Zietara
Physiology
Dissertation: The contributions of dietary potassium and basolateral inwardly rectifying potassium channels in the development of salt-sensitive hypertension
Mentor: Alexander V. Staruschenko, PhD
August 31, 2023



Jayne T. Wolfe
Naperville, IL
BS University of Iowa 2015
Biomedical Engineering*
Dissertation: Evaluation of a porous polyester urethane scaffold seeded with highly adherent endothelial cells for use as a small-diameter tissue engineered vascular graft
Mentor: Brandon J. Tefft, PhD
August 31, 2023

**Joint Doctor of Philosophy program with Marquette University*



Alisha A. Ziegler
Sheboygan, WI
BS University of Wisconsin-Green Bay 2018
Physiology
Dissertation: Cardiometabolic Consequences of Early-Life Sodium Depletion
Mentor: Jeffrey L. Segar, MD and Justin L. Grobe, PhD
May 17, 2024

Doctor of Public Health



Brenna C. Bernardin
Columbia, SC
MPH University of South Carolina 2016
Dissertation: Analyzing Collaboration and Partnerships for Affordable Housing in South Carolina: A Public Health Perspective
Mentor: David A. Nelson, PhD
April 30, 2024



Abigael J. Collier
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MS Mount Mary University 2009
Dissertation: The Role of Culture in Child Death Review Teams
Mentor: Zeno Franco, PhD
April 30, 2024



Marta L. McMillion
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MPH Medical College of Wisconsin 2017
Dissertation: Resilience and Retention in the Rural Public Health Workforce During the COVID-19 Pandemic
Mentor: David A. Nelson, PhD
April 30, 2024



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MPH University of Wisconsin-Madison 2015
Dissertation: Investigating Key Elements of Peer Support Programs Focused on Recovery and Reentry in Community-Based Organizations: A Qualitative Implementation Science Study
Mentor: Staci A. Young, PhD
April 30, 2024



Rosamaria R. Martinez
Milwaukee, WI
MBA University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee 2007
Dissertation: Housing needs and challenges during the perinatal period: Perspectives of birthing persons and service providers
Mentor: Katherine Quinn, PhD
April 30, 2024

Master of Science



Sanjay Bhandari
Clinical and Translational Science
Thesis: Association between Diabetes and 30-day Readmission and Length of Stay in Patients with Existing Social Needs
Mentor: Rebekah Walker, PhD



Samantha S. Chou
Biochemistry
Thesis: Elucidating SRCP1's Therapeutic Potential in the Spinocerebellar Ataxias
Mentor: Kenneth M. Scaglione, PhD
January 31, 2024



Christopher M. Estrella
Miami, FL
MS Florida International University
Genetic Counseling
Thesis: Exploring Trends in Biochemical Genetics Education in Genetic Counseling Programs and Opinions of Recent Graduates
Mentor: Erin Syverson, MS, CGC



Bindu P. Bhat
Biomedical Engineering*
Thesis: Comparison of a Patient-Specific Computed Tomography Organ Dose Software with Commercial Phantom-Based Tools
Mentor: Taly Gilat-Schmidt, PhD
January 5, 2024

**Joint Master of Science program with Marquette University*



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BS Northwestern University 2019
Genetic Counseling
Thesis: Exploring the Impact of Sibling's Disability on Genetic Counselors: A Qualitative Study
Mentor: Emily Singh, MS, CGC



Olivia N. Glaeser
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BS University of Missouri-Columbia 2022
Genetic Counseling
Thesis: Understanding the Paternal Experience of a MELAS Diagnosis with a Focus on Coping and Grief
Mentor: Amy L. White, MS, CGC



Haley E. Blackwell
Chapin, SC
BS Clemson University 2017
Genetic Counseling
Thesis: Impact of Gender-affirming Care Bans on Care for Variations of Sex Characteristics—Provider Perspectives
Mentor: Erin Syverson, MS, CGC



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Thesis: Conserved Gene Fusion ETV6/RUNX1 Displays Higher Immunogenicity Potential Than Patient-specific Missense Mutations Within the Context of HLA-A*02:01
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Oath of a Pharmacist

"I promise to devote myself to a lifetime of service to others through the profession of pharmacy. In fulfilling this vow: I will consider the welfare of humanity and relief of suffering my primary concerns. I will promote inclusion, embrace diversity, and advocate for justice to advance health equity. I will apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal outcomes for all patients. I will respect and protect all personal and health information entrusted to me. I will accept the responsibility to improve my professional knowledge, expertise, and self-awareness. I will hold myself and my colleagues to the highest principles of our profession's moral, ethical and legal conduct. I will embrace and advocate changes that improve patient care. I will utilize my knowledge, skills, experiences, and values to prepare the next generation of pharmacists. I take these vows voluntarily with the full realization of the responsibility with which I am entrusted by the public."

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Medical School Oath

"As a member of the medical profession: I pledge to dedicate myself to the service of humanity through the art and science of medicine; The health and well-being of my patients will be my first consideration; I will respect the autonomy and dignity of my patients; I will value the individuality of my patients and care for all of them to the best of my ability; I will safeguard the confidentiality of my patients; I will practice my profession with conscience and integrity and in accordance with medical standards; I will share my medical knowledge for the benefit of the community and the improvement of health care; I will give to my teachers, colleagues, and students the respect and gratitude that is their due; I will attend to my own health, well-being, and abilities so that I am able to provide the best care for my patients; I will engage in honest self-reflection upon my character, acknowledging both my strengths and limitations; I will not use my medical knowledge to violate human rights or civil liberties, even under threat. I make these promises solemnly, freely, and upon my honor."

-This oath, based on the Declaration of Geneva, was written in 2019 by MCW students Alexandra Cohn, Clara Bosco, Erica Woertz, Jamie Jasti, Maraika Robinson, Mohamed Khalil, and Sarah Brink

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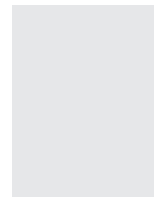
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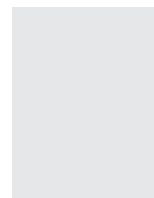
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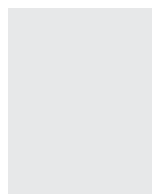
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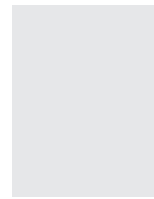
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