

**University of Minnesota
School of Public Health
Commencement Ceremony**

**June 13, 1997
7:30 p.m.**

**Northstar Ballroom
St. Paul Student Center**

ORDER OF EVENTS

Processional

Performed by Lester Block, DDS, MPH, Associate Professor,
Public Health Administration

Welcoming Remarks

Ami Claxton, Student Senate President

Speaking for the Academic Health Center

Frank B. Cerra, MD, Provost

Speaking for the School of Public Health

Edith D. Leyasmeyer, PhD, MPH, Dean

Award Presentations

Jacob E. Bearman Student Achievement Award by Marcus
Kjelsberg, PhD, Associate Dean for Administration, presenting to
Jennie Ma.

Harold R. Shipman Award by Donald Vesley, PhD, Major Chair,
Environmental Health, presenting to Nancy Rice.

James W. Wright Scholarship Award by Donald Vesley, PhD,
Major Chair, Environmental Health, presenting to Dana Stephens.

Lester Breslow Scholar Award by Russell Luepker, MD, Head,
Division of Epidemiology, presenting to Carolyn Rosenfeld and
Julie Thompson.

Robert ten Bensel Award in Maternal and Child Health by Joän
Patterson, PhD, Major Chair, Maternal and Child Health, presenting
to Matt Buhr-Vogl.

Betty J. Hallstrom Memorial Award by Joän Patterson, PhD, Major Chair, Maternal and Child Health, presenting to Carolyn Porta.

Minnesota Public Health Association Student Achievement Award by Joän Patterson, PhD, Major Chair, Maternal and Child Health, presenting to Michele Strachan.

Lee and Donna Stauffer Scholarship by Mila Aroskar, EdD, Major Chair, Public Health Administration, presenting to Ann Krajewski.

Ruth Stief Chair Award by Judith Brown, PhD, MPH, RD, Major Chair, Public Health Nutrition, recipient to be announced.

Delta Omega Society Membership by Leonard Schuman, MD, National President, Delta Omega, presenting to:

Michelle Adamiak

Karen Clifton

Alan Constantian

Steve Derosé

Jenni Gardner

Jennifer Go

Jill Johnson

Bonnie Martin

Nancy Rice

Nicole Vars McCullough

Guang Yang

Introduction of Commencement Speaker

Edith D. Leyasmeyer, PhD, MPH, Dean

Commencement Address

“Charting Your Course on a Shifting Sea:

Public Health Prepares for the 21st Century”

Anne Barry, JD, MPH, Commissioner of Health, Minnesota
Department of Health

Presentation of the Candidates for Degrees

Edith D. Leyasmeyer, PhD, MPH, Dean

James Boen, PhD, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Health Professions Covenant

Ami Claxton, Student Senate President

Conferring of Degrees

Robert Bergland, Regent, University of Minnesota

Commencement Reception

All graduates and their guests are invited to the reception immediately following the ceremony on the first floor of the St. Paul Student Center.

A special thank you to the School of Public Health Student Senate for their partial funding of the commencement reception.

School of Public Health University of Minnesota

Students who have or will have completed requirements for MHA, MPH, MS, or PhD degrees in School of Public Health in 1996-1997 are as follows:

Biostatistics

Karen Clifton, MS
Anna Gaichas, MS
Brian Harris, MS
Julie Heyd, MS
Zhen Huang, MS
Brent Johnson, MS
Changchun Li, MS
Zihui Lin, MS
Lin Liu, MS
Erika Rothe, MS
Mark Rothe, MS
Yingjia Shen, MS
Jon Snyder, MS
Aijun Song, MS
Brandon Sparks, MS
Cathy Sun, MS
Zengri Wang, MS
Guang Yang, MS
Yongyi Yu, MS
Dongmei Zhang, MS
Yan Zheng, MS

Eugene Huang, PhD
Minjung Kwak, PhD
Jennie Ma, PhD
Hong Xia, PhD

Community Health Education

Lynda Anderson, MPH
Lisa Frankamp, MPH
Jennifer Go, MPH
Nila Gouldin, MPH
David Grosvenor, MPH
Ruth Hampton, MPH
Shannon Kadow, MPH
Luanne Lindell-Paulson, MPH
Stacy Martin, MPH
Keith Mason, MPH
Dawna Phillips, MPH
Brigid Riley, MPH
Delight Satter, MPH
Michelle Scullard, MPH
Lisa Turnquist, MPH

Environmental Health

Elizabeth Anderson, MPH
Deborah Andrews, MPH
Geoffrey Bettsinger, MS
Pamela Chapman, MPH
Siobhan Dugan, MPH
Christopher Forslund, MPH
Vahid Grami, MPH
Deanna Harkins, MPH
Frances Hsia, MPH
Marla Kendig, MS
Steven Kerr, MS

Steven Kirkhorn, MPH
Yen-Fu Li, MS
Chen-Fang Lin, MPH
Judith Marchetti, MS
Neil Morton, MS
Anita Mujumdar, MPH
Elizabeth Norris, MPH
Kevin Randolph, MS
Nancy Rice, MPH
Sara Rosauer, MS
Laci Ruhl, MS
John Schumpert, MPH
Elizabeth Seeland, MPH
Dana Stephens, MS
Ruth Tripp, MPH
Shamir Tuchman, MPH
Gary Weiby, MS
Derik Weldon, MPH

Nicole Vars McCullough, PhD
Shana Morrell, PhD
Roger Pearson, PhD
Robert Skoglund, PhD

Epidemiology

Heather Connors, MPH
Richard Fairley, MPH
Marilyn Gyllstrom, MPH
Kim Kelly, MPH
Fangzi Liao, MPH
Thelma Madhok, MPH
Bonnie Martin, MPH
Katie Meyer, MPH
Pauline Mitby, MPH
Simon Rosser, MPH
Abbey Sidebottom, MPH

Maureen Sullivan, MPH
Julie Thompson, MPH
Albert Tsai, MPH
Craig Weinert, MPH
Mary Winnett, MPH
Blong Xiong, MPH

Ami Claxton, PhD
Emily Kahn, PhD
James Pankow, PhD

Healthcare Administration

Andrew Aronstam, MHA
Scott Ash, MHA
Susan Barrows, MHA
Jacob Bast, MHA
Susan Clow, MHA
Lynnette Collier, MHA
Monique Constant, MHA
J. Matthew Fay, MHA
Shelby Gathje, MHA
Dana Giggey, MHA
Raul Gorospe, MHA
Trent Green, MHA
Eric Hansen, MHA
Stephanie Harr, MHA
Wayne Hartley, MHA
Patricia Hartwig, MHA
Kathryn Holley, MHA
Linda Horn, MHA
Jacalyn Kawiecki, MHA
Linda Knodel, MHA
Gordon Kolodny, MHA
Judith Labeck, MHA
Hoi Che Lee, MHA
Kayleen Lee, MHA
Leah Lindgren, MHA

Mary Lou Mercer, MHA
Kristjan Oddsson, MHA
Erik Olson, MHA
Jennie Pantano, MHA
Eric Peterson, MHA
James Purdy, MHA
Timothy Quesnell, MHA
Jon Rauen, MHA
Joey Roel, MHA
Christopher Roth, MHA
Jim Sheets, MHA
Laura Silvagni, MHA
John Sweetland, MHA
Cindi Tarshis, MHA
Roxanne Thomas, MHA
Adam Thunell, MHA
Edward West, MHA
Karen Wisdom, MHA
Karen Yuille, MHA
Peter Yacukowicz, MHA

Health Services Administration

Susan Batchelder, MPH
D. J. Sam Chapman, MPH
Beth Daugherty, MPH
Nancy Just, MPH
Debora Katzenberger, MPH
Ginny Kaye, MPH
Barbara Lincoln, MPH
Mary Catherine Szabo, MPH
Dianne Wolden, MPH

Health Services Research and Policy

Louise Anderson, MS
Meg Brown, MS
Valerie Deneen, MS
Steve Derose, MS
Sheila Franco, MS
Tracy Sajady, MS

Health Services Research, Policy and Administration

Benjamin Chan, PhD
Qing Chen, PhD
Alan Constantian, PhD
Howard Degenholtz, PhD
Susan Farrell, PhD
Bruce Friedman, PhD
Mary Jane Heinen, PhD
Sarah Krein, PhD
Karen Quick, PhD
Ann Sales, PhD
Chunliu Zhan, PhD

Maternal and Child Health

Michelle Adamiak, MPH
Jim Amell, MPH
Joy Babuwe-Ngobi, MPH
Matt Buhr-Vogl, MPH
Paul Erickson, MPH
Laurie Hanson, MPH
Anne Harrington, MPH
Julia Joseph-DiCaprio, MPH
Tamara Joyce, MPH
Ann Kelly, MPH
Karen Kravits, MPH
Cristina Lammers, MPH
Mary Jo Mehelich, MPH
Mary Lynn Oglesbee, MPH
Julie Pena, MPH
Cindy Phillips, MPH
Carolyn Porta, MPH
Jennifer Schreier, MPH
Kim Spaulding, MPH
Susanne Stronski-Huwiler, MPH

Public Health Administration

John Baxter, MPH
Mariana Bukli, MPH
John Cody, MPH
Patricia Durand, MPH
Helene Freint, MPH
Jill Johnson, MPH
Ann Krajewski, MPH
Harry Krulewitch, MPH
Kim McCoy, MPH
Amita O'Rourke, MPH
Eric Peterson, MPH
Stephanie Schech, MPH
Jean Tracy, MPH
Mike Yu, MPH

Public Health Nutrition

Delone Abercrombie, MPH
Joan Bushman, MPH
Susan Diamond, MPH
Kathryn Dieperink, MPH
Jenni Gardner, MPH
Lisa Gemlo, MPH
Michelle Gribben, MPH
Annette Hendrickx Derouin, MPH
RoseAnna Holliday, MPH
Kenneth Johnson, MPH
Deborah Johnston Greenwaldt, MPH
Victoria Moody, MPH
Toni Toledo, MPH
Katherine White, MPH

AWARDS

The following is an acknowledgement of some of the awards given to current students in the School of Public Health in 1996-1997.

Richard G. Bond Scholarship given to an Environmental Health student.

This year's recipient is Anne Kukowski.

Herbert Bosch Award given to an Environmental Health student.

This year's recipient is Avula Sreenath.

Thomas W. and Mary Kay Hoban Scholarship given to a graduate student in nursing or nutrition.

This year's recipient is Katherine White.

Mary Johnson Memorial Scholarship Endowment given annually by the Alumni Society to students enrolled or accepted in the dual masters program in Nursing and Public Health.

This year's recipients are: Jill Briggs, Carolyn Porta and Gay Richards.

Dr. J. Arthur Myers Memorial Endowment for International Experience in Public Health given annually to two current students for obtaining international experience.

This year's recipients are: Kimberly Kelker and Bill Latimer.

School of Public Health Alumni Society Scholarship is awarded annually to a current student who has completed at least 50% of the required credits for a master's degree and who has a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.4. The award is based on the applicant's contributions to public health and demonstrated leadership.

This year's recipient is Douglas Edso.

A **Bush Medical Fellowship** has been awarded to Vivian Husnick, MD, a student in Public Health Administration.

University of Minnesota President's Award for Outstanding Leadership and Service is awarded annually to select graduate and undergraduate student leaders.

This year's recipients include Ami Claxton.

University of Minnesota Alumni Association Student Leadership Award is given to eight students from among the President's Award winners.

This year's recipients include Ami Claxton.

ACADEMIC DRESS

The academic costume worn today originated in the Middle Ages, when gowns and hoods kept scholars and clerics warm. The distinctive gown served to set the students apart from their fellow citizens, giving birth to the expression "town and gown." Until after the Civil War, students at most American universities wore caps and gowns daily. They varied in design until they were standardized by the American Intercollegiate Commission in 1894. At that time it was decided that all robes should be black: bachelor's gowns to be made of worsted material with pointed sleeves; master's gowns of silk with long, closed sleeves; doctor's gowns of silk with longer sleeves and faced with black velvet from hem to neck and back. They also carried three velvet bands around each sleeve above the elbow. Hoods are made of the same material as the gowns, the length varying with the degree. The lining of the hood identifies the university by its colors. The border of the hood indicates the academic discipline in which the degree is earned:

White: arts and letters, journalism
Scarlet: theology
Purple: law
Dark blue: philosophy
Yellow: science
Brown: architecture, fine arts
Pink: music
Lilac: dentistry
Orange: engineering
Olive: pharmacy
Light brown: business
Lemon yellow: library science
Light blue: education
Peacock blue: international affairs
Citron yellow: social work
Salmon: public health

The mortarboard cap is standard, though soft square-topped-caps are permissible. Recipients of doctorates may wear a gold tassel fastened to the middle point of the top of the cap; School of Public Health graduates wear salmon tassels.

Health Professions Covenant

As a health professional dedicated to enhancing the health care status and well-being of individuals and communities, I pledge collaboration with all of my health professional colleagues similarly committed, and promise to place patient and public interests above the perceived self-interests of my individual profession.