# PRECOMMENCEMENT

# SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY | CLASS OF 2023



The mission of the Saint Louis University College for Public Health and Social Justice is to pursue health, well-being, and social justice for and with communities through nationally-renowned teaching and research, practical applications of knowledge, and authentic partnerships inspired by our Jesuit tradition and identity.

### ORDER OF EVENTS

#### ACADEMIC PROCESSION

#### MASTER OF CEREMONIES

**Kimberly R. Enard, Ph.D., M.B.A.** Associate Professor, Department of Health Management and Policy

NATIONAL ANTHEM

INVOCATION

**Michael Rozier, S.J., Ph.D.** Chair, Department of Health Management and Policy

WELCOME

Ellen K. Barnidge, Ph.D., M.P.H. Interim Dean

TERRY LEET TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD Presented by Kimberly R. Enard, Ph.D., M.B.A.

> STUDENT SPEAKERS Aubrey Zahuranec, M.H.A. Candidate

**FACULTY SPEAKERS** 

Lauren D. Arnold, Ph.D., M.P.H., C.P.H. Associate Professor, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics

# Presentation of the Graduates

Bernie Backer, Director of Graduate Admissions

Kate O'Brien, M.S., Senior Academic Advisor

Faculty mentors will accompany doctoral candidates. Department Chairs and Directors will perform the masters hooding.

CANDIDATES FOR DOCTORAL DEGREES

CANDIDATES FOR THE MASTER'S DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

CANDIDATES FOR BACHELOR'S DEGREES

BENEDICTION Michael Rozier, S.J., Ph.D.

#### Dear Graduates,

What a gift to be here with you to celebrate your precommencement in community with one another. We welcome your family and friends and their participation in this ceremony. We are grateful they can celebrate your achievements. We know not all of our loved ones or graduates are with us today. We keep those not with us in our hearts as we celebrate.

Today we honor a diverse and complementary group of scholars who have earned degrees in health management and policy, public health, biostatistics and epidemiology. The class of 2023 is graduating with degrees and certificates in 35 different concentration combinations.

The graduates include 95 undergraduates and 155 graduate students from more than 139 different cities in 31 states and more than 13 countries including Bangladesh, Cameroon, Canada, China, India, Kenya, Lebanon, Liberia, Nepal, Nigeria, Peru, Saudi Arabia and Somalia. You represent more than 29 different faith traditions and a broad range of educational backgrounds, having earned prior degrees at 82 universities in 57 areas of study.

We are thrilled to celebrate today's milestone in your lives. We are grateful to share this chapter of your life. Students like you — with outstanding intellectual ability, a concern for others, and a desire to do well by doing good exemplify what it means to be a Billiken. You join a group of alumni who are leading meaningful lives with impactful careers, boldly tackling the greatest challenges we face in health and society. We cannot wait to see the contributions you will make to our world.

Congratulations on your graduation!

Ellen Barnidge

Ellen K. Barnidge, Ph.D., M.P.H. Interim Dean, College for Public Health and Social Justice

The Saint Louis University College for Public Health and Social Justice is a mission-driven academic community where teaching, research and service foster the growth of a more just and equitable society at home and around the world. We are the only accredited school or college of public health among nearly 250 Catholic institutions of higher education in the United States. Guided by a vision of health through justice, for all and focused on finding innovative and collaborative solutions for complex health problems, the College offers nationally recognized programs in public health and health administration.

Ellen K. Barnidge, Ph.D., M.P.H., Interim Dean Michael Elliott, Ph.D., Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Enbal Shacham, Ph.D., M.Ed., Associate Dean of Research

#### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PUBLIC HEALTH STUDIES

Kelly Ann Ayres, M.S., M.S. Dissertation Title: Estimating the Reproduction Number for COVID-19: A Hidden Markov Model

**Allison Kay Kunerth, M.S., P.S.M.** *Dissertation Title:* Assessment of Factors Influencing the Utility of ESSENCE Data for Informing Public Health Decisions

Sunita Manu-Loum, M.P.H.

Dissertation Title: Mental Health Care Access and Service Utilization Among African Refugee Adolescents

#### Melody Irene Schaeffer, M.P.H.

Dissertation Title: Prevalence and Factors Associated with Burnout Among Mobile Health Clinic Staff in the United States

Yan Xie, M.P.H.

Dissertation Title: Comparative Effectiveness of Antihyperglycemic on Cardiovascular Disease: Emulation of Multi-Arms Target Trial

# Mintesnot Tenkir Teni, M.Sc.,

Dissertation Title: Assessing Multilevel Factors to Improve Uptake of Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptives (LARC) in Ethiopia

#### Zidong Zhang, M.P.H., M.S.

Dissertation Title: Early Integration of Palliative Care for Adult Patients with Heart Failure in the United States

#### Longwen Zhao, M.P.H., M.S.

Dissertation Title: Spatio - Temporal Statistical Models for the Spread of COVID-19 Across Counties in the Contiguous United States

## MASTER'S DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

#### MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

Asma Raoof Ahmed Abdulrahman Alali Sabah Alfatal Hiba Belal Al-Ramahi Samantha S. Arledge Brittney L. Baidy-Dortch Jessica Leonie Bekker Raveena Bhula Phillip Stephen Bolt Jenny Clayton Hannah Christine Delaney Mark Falvey Ian Michael Groover Carolina Andrea Guerrero Palomino William Henry Harad Shobnom B. Hasan Matthew Ryan Hill Marsha Celeste Hulse Carlie Christine Hunter Michael Ippolito Jermya Inez Jackson Julianna Cathleen Johnson Malynna Khamken Sana Khurram

Mendoabor Kruah

Brett Allen Louviere
Krista Marie Mathew
Moustapha Mouhammadoul Mbaye
Derika Angelique Moore
Shania Alice Nediyakalayil
Eligh Franklin Newcomb
Sydney Prow
Owais Qureini
Madeleine Grazyna Rector
Randall Robinson
Zoheb Roshan
Andrew David Runge
Krystina Elizabeth Salcik

\*\*\* summa cum laude (G.P.A. 3.9) \*\* magna cum laude (G.P.A. 3.7) \* cum laude (G.P.A. 3.5) Latin Honors are based on December 2022 cumulative GPA; final honors are recalculated based on final GPA and are indicated on transcript

This program does not constitute the official conferring of a degree.

Param Jasmin Sangani Amanda Katherine Schack Luke Richard Schaefer Amanda Lynn Schmidt Akanksha Shekar Iaden Danielle Silva Morgan L. Smith Mary Hannah Tallett Jola Toska Monisha Veerapaneni Luke Harold Walz Madeline Amber Warrington **Grant Jordan Weiner** Harper F. Wieldt Makenzie Leigh Woodford **Aubrey Zahuranec** 

#### MASTER OF HEALTH CARE MANAGEMENT

Eriannah Mone't Frenchie Anna Francesca Pierce Samantha R. Stewart

#### MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Kojo Agyeman-Prempeh Christianne Elizabeth Albers **Diego German Alegre Casey Elizabeth Allen** Anusha Ban Najlaa Kamal Bar Sabel Bass **Alexis Renee Bingham** Hope Elizabeth Bingham **Elizabeth Rose Bingheim Kneaira Rashon Bogues** Toni Marie Amatulli Bohnenkamp **Ri'enna Nicole Boyd Bridget Murphy Brown** Ryshaun La'Vaugn Brown Nicole Bryer

Hannah Grace Buncher Sophia Camille Cantwell Isabelle Embree Carbone Sara Chandini Megan E. Collins Jordyn Danielle Conley Kailee Inez Doak Alexis Marie Elliott Sarah Elizabeth Ellis Thrinavani Ennamuri Adam Chase Gilmore **Dylan Gustafson** Jackson Kelly Hambrick Flannery Nancy Harman Sarah Nicole Heiland Jane Jing Hodell Anna Aurelia Huryn Kamilah Mahasin Ilyas Sree Deepthi Immanni Deja Nicole Jackson Kailyn Breanna Jacobs **Amy Elizabeth Keith** Heena Khan **Emily Anne Killian** Agatha Wanjiku Kinuthia Jayeesha Kothapalle Anna Kristina Kremer **Charlene Kvech** Yuting Lan Jessika Joy Lobb Elena Perette Dalleo Locascio Kaeli Lugo Alexis Gabriella Magwood Grace Alexandra Maliborski Nimisha Sunil Manjrekar Cheleia Arieon Marshall Madison Rosemarie Martin-Giacalone **Rebecca Mateer** Apurva Sonu Medhe

Mira Saleh Mohsen **Chido Dorothy Moyo** Catherine M. Mulligan Odiraa Ndudi Okala Sarah G. Page Pranali Ganesh Patel **Kyli Rahne Patterson** Audrey Thuy-My Pham Makailya Adeline Pickrell Spandana Poduru Thomas Phinehas Pratt Ashley Margaret Richard Rebecca Rivas-D'Amico **Jilliam Root** Shelly Rudin Sarah Ann Schlaefer Andrew Emerson Solsrud **Rylee C. Thies Molly Kaitlyn Torell** Lauren Therese Trewyn **Maia Frances Paulsen Trombley Michael Vega** Sushma Vemulapalli Erin Catherine Wheatley Ienesca Sheila William

#### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN BIOSTATISTICS AND HEALTH ANALYTICS

William Gabriel Drexler Timothy Chiagozikam Ezebuiro Lindsey Nicole Rutherford Tanner R. Thornton Sibelle Aurelie Yemele Kitio

#### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PUBLIC HEALTH

Randall C. Edgell

#### CERTIFICATE IN BIOSECURITY AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

**Ashley Claire Gomel** 

**Cameron J. Wisti** 

#### CERTIFICATE IN MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH

**Kneaira Rashon Bogues** 

Odiraa Ndudi Okala

#### CERTIFICATE IN QUALITY AND PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE

Samantha S. Arledge Matthew Ryan Hill Madeline Amber Warrington

### BACHELOR'S DEGREES

#### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOSTATISTICS

Asja Hamzic\*\* Catherine Le\*\*\* Rohan V. Parvathala\* Paul August Vaikutis\*

# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH MANAGEMENT

Teona C. Adams Shayan Keyan Ahadipour Irfan Akbani\*\* Mohemmed H. Al-Husseiny Mohammed Waleed Ashkar\*\* Ashutosh Shashank Atre\*\* Christian Jacob Buendia\*\* **Emily Lil Crawford\*\*** Darina Evgenyevna Dravina Neira Dzananovic\*\* Samantha Nicole Eaker\*\* Tyler Otto Fogarty\* Bryan Ho\*\* Jihwan Joel Hwang\*\*\* **Emily Catherine Jasper\*\* Claire Therese Jenness** Hana Korajkic\*\*\* Siva Krothapalli\*\*\* Sai Vaishali Lingutla\* **Camille D. Luckett** Sarah Grace Merda\*\* Andrea Elizabeth Miller\*\*\* **Tracey Breyand Miller** Sudeepti Nareddy\* Philip Grant Needham\* Sonny J. Osowski\*\*\*

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Through their hard work and dedication, these students have served in leadership roles for chartered student organizations within the CPHSJ. Thank you for living out the mission of the College for Public Health and Social Justice through your service and leadership.

FUTURE LEADERS OF HEALTH MANAGEMENT AND POLICY

**Irfan Akbani** President, 2022-23 Treasurer, 2021-22

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Samantha Nicole Eaker Treasurer, 2022-23 Outreach, 2021-22 Representative, 2020-21

Akanksha Shekar Chief Operating Officer, 2020-21 Chief Communications Officer-External, 2019-20

**Rahul Raghava Tallam** *Co-Communications Officer-External, 2022-23 Outreach, 2021-22* 

Mary Hannah Tallett Secretary, 2021-22

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Kneaira Rashon Bogues Social and Service Chair, 2022-23

Sophia Camille Cantwell President, 2023-23

Amy Elizabeth Keith Communications Chair, 2022-23

**Cheleia Arieon Marshall** Secretary, 2022-23

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**Amela Sijecic** VP of National Public Health Week, 2022-23

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**Mintesnot Tenkir Teni** *Research and Student Development Chair, 2020-21* 

**Longwen Zhao** Research and Student Development Chair, 2019-20

#### ROTARACT

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