COLLEGE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH
AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
PRECOMMENCEMENT
MAY 19
Based on our commitment of service to others, we improve health and well-being locally, nationally and internationally through unique interdisciplinary approaches that inspire students, generate knowledge and engage individuals and communities.
MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Dear Graduates,

I am so pleased that we get to come together and celebrate your pre-commencement in person. It was very disappointing to all when our pre-commencement was cancelled last year due to the pandemic. Oh what a difference a year makes. We have weathered the storm and look forward to smoother sailing in years to come.

I wish you could have invited all your family and friends to celebrate your amazing accomplishments and cheer from the balcony at Chaifetz Arena, but I know that they are watching at home and celebrating with you in spirit. The world has suddenly changed in ways that make you, your education and all the disciplines in the College more important than ever.

The College for Public Health & Social Justice is the only college in the country that brings together the diverse but complimentary fields of public health, social work, health management & policy, urban planning, applied behavior analysis, and criminology and criminal justice. We come together to address some of the most important challenges we face today as a society. COVID-19 has demonstrated this more clearly than ever. While the pandemic was frightening, we hope that you learned a thing or two along the way.

Today we celebrate a milestone in the lives of our graduates. Students like you – with outstanding intellectual ability, a concern for others and a desire for achievement – exemplify what it means to be a Billiken. It has been a pleasure to teach and learn from you.

Let me share a little information about our graduates. We have 127 undergraduates and 206 graduate students who make up the class of 2020 - 2021. They came to us from more than 160 different cities in 34 states and more than eleven countries including China, Egypt, Germany, Honduras, India, Nepal, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Taiwan, and Trinidad and Tobago. They represent more than 30 different faith traditions and a broad range of educational backgrounds, having earned prior degrees at 105 universities in 80+ areas of study. They are graduating with degrees and certificates in 52 different concentration combinations.

One of the best parts of my job is meeting alumni and learning about the amazing things they are doing. Graduates now join our family of nearly 10,000 alumni around the nation and world who fill leadership roles at major health corporations and serve in key positions at federal, state and local government agencies. Other alumni work to transform our inner cities, underserved rural areas, and our criminal justice system. While others assist in navigating drug abuse or help to address barriers to healthcare.

Class of 2020-2021, you join a group of people who are leading lives and careers that have a real impact, individuals who are boldly tackling the greatest challenges we face in health, wellbeing, and society. We know you will do amazing things. We are excited and proud to watch all that you accomplish!

Warm regards,

Thomas Burroughs, Ph.D.
Dean, College for Public Health and Social Justice
The Saint Louis University College for Public Health and Social Justice is the only academic unit of its kind, studying social, environmental and physical influences that together determine the health and well-being of people and communities. It also is the only accredited school or college of public health among nearly 250 Catholic institutions of higher education in the United States. Guided by a mission of social justice and focused on finding innovative and collaborative solutions for complex health problems, the College offers nationally recognized programs in public health, social work, health administration, applied behavior analysis, criminology and criminal justice, and urban planning.

COLLEGE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Saint Louis University’s College for Public Health and Social Justice tackles the greatest challenges to the health and well-being of our communities. We are 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.

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SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK 90TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY

The Saint Louis University School of Social Work was formed in 1930 and is currently housed within the College for Public Health and Social Justice. It has been continually accredited since 1933 and is currently accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

Built upon an unwavering commitment to social justice and serving the most oppressed and vulnerable populations, the School is a leader in integrating social work practice and education with faculty members who have made substantial contributions to the profession. Interactive teaching methods integrate community-based practice with classroom activities and discussions. Small class sizes facilitate an atmosphere of intellectual dialogue that fosters relationships between students and faculty.

Saint Louis University's School of Social Work is ranked in the top 20 percent of social work programs nationally by U.S. News & World Report. Over the past decade, the School of Social Work has expanded to include innovative and justice-focused academic and professional programs in Applied Behavior Analysis, Criminology & Criminal Justice, and Urban Planning & Development.

We spent 2020 engaged in a variety of safe ways to recognize the School’s many accomplishments over the past 90 years as well as crafting plans for our tenth decade. Our efforts recently culminated in a wonderful (virtual) anniversary program – including student scholarship recipients as our keynote speakers, exciting philanthropic announcements, and a wholly re-energized engagement with our alumni, students, staff, and faculty.
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
IN PUBLIC HEALTH STUDIES

Adaobi Aguh-Anakwe, MPH
Dissertation Title: Before the cradle: The social ecosystem of men’s preconception health and reproductive planning

Benjamin Charles Bowe, MPH
Dissertation Title: Identification of inpatient acute kidney injury phenotypes using large scale electronic medical records

Matthew Stephen Ellis, MPE
Dissertation Title: Associations of state policy environments and state advocacy organizations on pathways to transgender health outcomes

Xue Li, MPH
Dissertation Title: Determine the relationship between nonmedical opioid use and mental functioning

Mark Mueller, MS
Dissertation Title: Impact of warnings and guideline changes on physician behavior and outcomes

Kemba Cerrone Noel-London, MAT, ATC, CES
Dissertation Title: Tackling health equity through sports and sports medicine: The intersection of public health and allied health

Florida Ugonna Uzoaru, MS
Dissertation Title: Prevalence, access and health outcomes for children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) under Medicaid expansion and non-expansion

COLLEGE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL JUSTICE DEGREES

MASTER OF ARTS IN CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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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.

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