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DOCTORAL HOODING CEREMONY  
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# DOCTORAL HOODING CEREMONY

## ORDER OF EXERCISES

### **Academic Procession**

The audience is requested to remain seated during the procession.

### **Welcome**

**Russell Pinizzotto**, Interim Provost

### **Student Speaker**

**Ariana Bourque**, Doctor of Physical Therapy Candidate

### **Faculty Speaker**

**Kyong Eun Oh**, Associate Professor and Co-Director of Doctoral Program, Library and Information Science

### **Presentation of Doctoral Hoods**

**Justin Beebe**, Associate Professor and Chair, Physical Therapy

**Tanya Cohn**, Associate Teaching Professor and Director of Doctor of Nursing Practice Program, Nursing

**Benjamin Cole**, Associate Professor, Political Science and International Relations and Associate Dean, Curriculum and Academic Programs

**Gretchen Dittrich**, Associate Professor of Practice, Chair, and Director of the Master's Program, Behavior Analysis

**Michelle Putnam**, Professor, Jennifer Eckert '08 School of Social Work Chair, and Director of Doctoral Program, Social Work

**Rong Tang**, Professor and Co-Director of Doctoral Program, Library and Information Science

**Dolores Wolongevicz**, Associate Professor of Practice and Director of the Health Professions Education Program, Health Professions Education

### **Degree Reader**

**Russell Pinizzotto**, Interim Provost

### **Marshals**

**Naresh Agarwal**, Associate Professor and Director of Information Science & Technology Concentration, Library and Information Science

**Abbie Frost**, Associate Professor, Social Work

**Richard Voos '90LS**, Associate Provost for Planning, Assessment, and Accreditation

# CANDIDATES FOR THE DOCTORAL DEGREES

## The College of Natural, Behavioral, and Health Sciences

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

#### *Behavior Analysis*

Jescah A. Apamo-Gannon, B.Ed., *University of Nairobi, Kenya*, M.S.Ed., *Simmons University*

**Dissertation Title:** *Cultural Consideration Graduate Training for Future Behavior Analysts: Functional Behavior Assessment Interviewing Skills*

**Committee:** Noelle Neault, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LABA (Chair); Ron Allen, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LABA; Darren Graves, Ph.D.

Sarah E. Frampton, B.A., *University of California, M.A., California State University*

**Dissertation Title:** *Effects of Training Note-Taking On the Demonstration of Equivalence Relations*

**Committee:** Judah B. Axe, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LABA (Chair); Kylan Turner, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LBA; Caio Miguel, Ph.D., BCBA-D

Melanie McCarthy-Pepin, B.A., M.S., *Jacksonville State University*

**Dissertation Title:** *Effects of Visual Imagining Training and Visual Prompts on Intraverbal Categorization with Children with Autism*

**Committee:** Judah B. Axe, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LABA (Chair); Ron Allen, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LABA; April N. Kisamore, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LBA

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

#### *Health Professions Education*

Aleshia Carlsen-Bryan, B.A., *Colby-Sawyer College, M.A., Assumption College*

**Dissertation Title:** *A Descriptive Analysis of Primary Care Providers' Educational Preparedness and Attitudes towards Women with Chronic Pelvic Pain*

**Committee:** Anne-Marie Barron, Ph.D., RN, PMHCNS-BC, FAAN (Chair); Robert Goldman, Ph.D.; Linda Griffith, Ph.D. (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

Patrice Lamour, B.A., *University of Massachusetts, M.S.W., CAGS, Simmons College*

**Dissertation Title:** *The Perceptions of Masters Social Work Providers Concerning What They Were Taught in Their Master of Social Work Programs about Cultural Competency*

**Committee:** LaDonna Christian, Ph.D, MSN APHN-BC (Chair); Gloria Harris Cater, Ph.D., FNP, Mdiv; Gayl Crump Swaby, Ed.D, MSW, BSW

Izabela C. Leahy

**Dissertation Title:** *Exploring the Mentoring Experiences among Pediatric Physicians – Mentors in an Academic Medical Center*

**Committee:** Dolores M. Wolongevicz, Ph.D., RD, LDN, RN, DNSC, PNP-BC (Chair); Michele DeGrazia, Ph.D., RN, NNP-BC, FAAN (Harvard Medical School); Patricia A. Hickey, Ph.D., MBA, RN, NEA-B (Harvard Medical School)

## **DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE**

Jinaya SeMone Beatty, B.S., *Villa Julie College*

**Capstone Project:** *"I Have Been Rescued, Now What?": A Qualitative Descriptive Study to Explore the Unmet Primary Health Care Needs of Sex Trafficking Survivors in Baltimore*

**Advisor:** Pat Rissmiller, DNSc, MSN, RN, PNP-BC

Kristina Bolling, B.S.N., *Excelsior College*

**Capstone Project:** *Improving RN Triage of COVID-19 Type Symptoms in the Outpatient Setting*

**Advisor:** Tanya Cohn, Ph.D., MSN, MEd, RN

Sarah E. Bradshaw, B.S., *Stonehill College*

**Capstone Project:** *Validation of the Diabetes Distress Scale in a Cambodian American (Khmer Speaking) Patient Population in a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)*

**Advisor:** Tanya Cohn, Ph.D., MSN, MEd, RN

Charla Lambert Denman, B.S.N., *Baylor University*

**Capstone Project:** *Use of Standardized Testing to Predict NCLEX-RN Success for Associate Degree Nursing Students in a Concept-Based Curriculum*

**Advisor:** Tanya Cohn, Ph.D., MSN, MEd, RN

Cecilia Rosalie Motschenbacher, B.A., *Pacific Lutheran University*

**Capstone Project:** *Integration of an APP-Led Supportive and Palliative Oncology Care Program: A Quality Improvement Project*

**Advisor:** Tanya Cohn, Ph.D., MSN, MEd, RN

Melissa Elizabeth Radcliffe, B.S., *Westminster College*

**Capstone Project:** *Implementing the Evidence-Based Guidelines for Tobacco Screening in a Small Family Practice Specializing in Opioid Use Disorders: A Quality Improvement Project*

**Advisor:** Pat Rissmiller, DNSc, MSN, RN, PNP-BC

Jessica Nicole Rochefort, B.S.N., *Ferris State University*

**Capstone Project:** *Barriers to Rural Specialty Care in Schoolcraft County, Michigan*

**Advisor:** Tanya Cohn, Ph.D., MSN, MEd, RN

Jami Lynn Ryan, B.S.N., *Ohio University*

**Capstone Project:** *A Quality Improvement Project to Improve Medical Error Reporting in the Outpatient Setting*

**Advisor:** Pat Rissmiller, DNSc, MSN, RN, PNP-BC

Katherine H. Townsend, B.A., *Hope College*

**Capstone Project:** *Sleep like a Baby: A QI Project to Educate Nurses about SUID Prevention*

**Advisor:** Tanya Cohn, Ph.D., MSN, MEd, RN

## **DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**

Alexandra Y. Berg-Pappert, B.S., *Simmons University*

**Project Title:** *Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis: Can Star Excursion and Y-balance Test Detect Chronic Ankle Instability?*

**DPT Project Advisor(s):** Amitabh Dashottar, PT, Ph.D.

Mary Blackwell, B.S., *Simmons University*

**Project Title:** *Changes in Physical Activity and Mental Health in Individuals with Parkinson Disease during COVID-19*

**DPT Project Advisor(s):** Stacey A. Maguire, PT, DPT, CAGS

Ariana Ann Bourque, B.A., *Bowdoin College*

**Project Title:** *Examining the Relationship between Health-Related Quality of Life and Participation in Golf*

**DPT Project Advisor(s):** Mark Dynan, PT, DPT, OCS

Emily Ila Boyden, B.S., *Montana State University*

**Project Title:** *The COVID-19 Response: Prone Team Organization and the Role of the Physical Therapist*

**DPT Project Advisor(s):** Jenna Stuebe Powers, PT, DPT, CCS

Brendan Burns, B.S., *Bridgewater State University*

**Project Title:** *Examining the Relationship between Health-Related Quality of Life and Participation in Golf*

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Thomas John Casey, B.S., *Springfield College*

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Nathan Clarke, B.S., *Plymouth State University*

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**DPT Project Advisor(s):** Jenna Stuebe Powers, PT, DPT, CCS

Rachel A. Cullington, B.A., *Smith College*

**Project Title:** *Effectiveness of Cognitive Behavioral Therapies and Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction for Fibromyalgia: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis*

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Samuel Woodson English, B.A., <i>Colorado College</i>	<b>Project Title:</b> <i>Effectiveness of Cognitive Behavioral Therapies and Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction for Fibromyalgia: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis</i> <b>DPT Project Advisor(s):</b> Justin A. Beebe, PT, Ph.D.
Cheyenne J. Fauvel-Decrombecque, B.S., <i>Simmons University</i>	<b>Project Title:</b> <i>The COVID-19 Response: Proning Team Organization and the Role of the Physical Therapist</i> <b>DPT Project Advisor(s):</b> Jenna Stuebe Powers, PT, DPT, CCS
Julia C. Goins, B.S., <i>University of Delaware</i>	<b>Project Title:</b> <i>Effectiveness of Cognitive Behavioral Therapies and Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction for Fibromyalgia: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis</i> <b>DPT Project Advisor(s):</b> Justin A. Beebe, PT, Ph.D.
Gabriella Grezzi, B.S., <i>Simmons University</i>	<b>Project Title:</b> <i>The Impact of Kinesiophobia on Patients with Cancer-Related Chronic Pain: A Systematic Review</i> <b>DPT Project Advisor(s):</b> Justin A. Beebe, PT, Ph.D.
Brooklynn S. L. Gumby, B.S., <i>University of Kansas</i>	<b>Project Title:</b> <i>Association between ADHD Medication and Brain Injury in Children</i> <b>DPT Project Advisor(s):</b> Devashish Tiwari, Ph.D., DPT, MPT, NCS
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Emily Lucia Josephson, B.S., <i>Simmons University</i>	<b>Project Title:</b> <i>Association between ADHD Medication and Brain Injury in Children</i> <b>DPT Project Advisor(s):</b> Devashish Tiwari, Ph.D., DPT, MPT, NCS
Amanda Nicole Kasper, B.S., <i>Simmons University</i>	<b>Project Title:</b> <i>The COVID-19 Response: Proning Team Organization and the Role of the Physical Therapist</i> <b>DPT Project Advisor(s):</b> Jenna Stuebe Powers, PT, DPT, CCS
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## The College of Organizational, Computational, and Information Sciences

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

#### Library and Information Science

Farraj Alsaedi, B.A., *The Public Authority for Applied Education and Training, Kuwait*;  
M.A., *Hull University, UK*;  
M.S., *Simmons University*

**Dissertation Title:** *Information Sharing for Academic Purposes: A Mixed-Methods Investigation into the Use of Social Networking Tools for Learning among Undergraduate Students at Kuwait University*  
**Committee:** Kyong Eun Oh, Ph.D. (Advisor); Naresh Agarwal, Ph.D.; Rong Tang, Ph.D.; Trevor Male, Ph.D.

Kate McGowen Wing, B.A., *Bates College*,  
Ed.M., *Smith College*,  
M.L.I.S., *University of South Carolina*

**Dissertation Title:** *Learning on the Fly: How High School Educated Public Library Directors in Maine Engage in Self-Directed Learning to Resolve Information Needs*  
**Committee:** Laura Saunders, Ph.D. (Advisor); Lisa Hussey, Ph.D.; Rachel Williams, Ph.D.; Johnnie Hamilton-Mason, Ph.D.

## The College of Social Sciences, Policy, and Practice

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

#### Educational Leadership

Erica Margaret Cole, B.A., *Smith College*,  
M.A.T., *Simmons College*,  
CAGS, *University of Massachusetts*

**Dissertation Title:** *Sense of Belonging and Race: What Is the Impact of NCLB and ESSA in Improving Students' Sense of Belonging to Schools?*  
**Committee:** Benjamin R. Cole, Ph.D. (Chair); Christine Evans, M.Ed.; Kristin Nelson, Ph.D. (University of Delaware)

Natalie Katherine West, B.A., *Simmons College*,  
M.S., *Northeastern University*

**Dissertation Title:** *Another Hurdle to Jump: An Analysis of Collegiate Athletics Impact on First-Generation Female Students' Academic Performance*  
**Committee:** Benjamin R. Cole, Ph.D. (Chair); Leanne Doherty, Ph.D.; Anthony Fabrizio, DBA (Curry College)

## **DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**

### **Social Work**

Nathan Q. Brewer, B.A., *Oberlin College*,  
M.S.W., *Simmons University*

**Dissertation Title:** *Intimate Partner Violence among Gender and Sexual Minority Youth: The Role of Structural, Familial, Intrapersonal, and Consensual Forms of Violence*

**Committee:** Kristie A. Thomas, Ph.D. (Chair); Jennifer Putney, Ph.D.; Kimberly O'Brien, Ph.D. (Harvard Medical School); Xavier Guadalupe-Diaz, Ph.D. (Framingham State University)

Janet Ann Suleski, B.A., *Salem State College*,  
M.S.W., *Simmons College*

**Dissertation Title:** *Exploring Approaches to Parenting Coordination: Toward a Theoretical Model*

**Committee:** Michelle Putnam, Ph.D. (Chair); Jennifer Eckert '08SW; Peter Maramaldi, Ph.D., MPH, LCSW; Dana Prescott, Ph.D., LMSW, JD

Mbita Mbao, B.S.W., *Bowling Green State University*,  
M.S.W., *Rhode Island College*

**Dissertation Title:** *The Influence of a Behavioral Health Intervention on Increasing Perceived Self-Efficacy of Care Managers Working with Older Adults with Behavioral Health Needs.*

**Committee:** Johnnie Hamilton-Mason, Ph.D. (Chair); Joanna Almeida, Ph.D.; Bronwyn Keefe, Ph.D. (Boston University)

