

MERCER UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

CLASS OF 2024

**DOCTORAL
HOODING
CEREMONY**

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MAY 2, 2024

Hooding Participants

MACON

Speaker | Keisha R. Callins, MD, MPH, *Professor of Obstetrician-Gynecologist*

Hooders | Allen Tindol, MD, *Associate Professor of Internal Medicine*
Ed Grimsley, MD, *Senior Associate Dean - Macon Campus*
Krista Mincey, DrPH, MPH, MCHES[®],
Associate Professor of Community Medicine

SAVANNAH

Speaker | Jeffrey M. Ignatoff, MD, *Associate Professor, Pathology and Clinical Sciences*

Hooders | David Baxter, MD, *Senior Associate Dean - Savannah Campus*
Joyce Gulle, MD, *Associate Professor of Pathology and Clinical Sciences*

COLUMBUS

Speaker | Grant Scarborough, MD, *Founder and CEO of MercyMed Columbus,*
Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine

Hooders | Joe Eikelberry, MD, *Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology*
James Majors, MD, *Assistant Professor of Surgery*

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Our Vision

The grand challenges of rural health are resolved through education, research, and community engagement.

Our Mission

To educate physicians and health professionals to meet the primary care and healthcare needs of rural medically underserved areas in Georgia.



Established in 1982, Mercer University School of Medicine's mission is to educate physicians and health professionals to meet the primary care and healthcare needs of rural medically underserved areas in Georgia.

We have three main campuses—in Macon, Savannah and Columbus—all united by this mission.



Student Distinctions

Honor Cords and Medallions

Cords and medallions are presented to students based on their academic achievement, military status, community service, or extracurricular involvements.

Academic Achievement	<i>Orange and Gold</i>
Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society	<i>Green and Gold</i>
Bears Excelling in the Area of Research.....	<i>Tan</i>
Bears Exploring Academic Medicine.....	<i>Red</i>
Certificate in Medical Ethics and Humanities	<i>White</i>
Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta Scholar	<i>Orange and Green</i>
COVID Service Award	<i>Purple</i>
Distinction in Service and to the Community.....	<i>Kelly Green</i>
Gold Humanism Honor Society.....	<i>Burgundy</i>
Military/Veteran.....	<i>Red, White, and Blue</i>
MUSM Student Ambassador.....	<i>Orange</i>
Nathan Deal Scholar	<i>Yellow</i>
The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi	<i>Royal Blue</i>
Primary Care Accelerated Track Scholar.....	<i>Gold Medallion</i>
Underrepresented in Medicine Ambassadors.....	<i>Orange and Black</i>

Doctor of Philosophy

Rural Health Sciences



The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Rural Health Sciences program at Mercer University School of Medicine is a multidisciplinary program that draws from medicine, psychology, sociology, epidemiology, statistics, communication, management, economics, and political science. In 2020, the program welcomed its first cohort, which went on to graduate in 2023. Ben West, PhD is the fourth graduate of the program.



Herman Ben West
Dissertation: Testing for Lead Exposure in Clay Target Shooting Teams
Advocate: Brad Lian, PhD, Associate Professor

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Macon Campus



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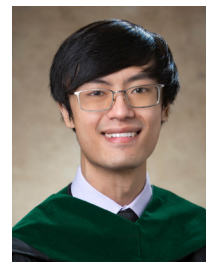
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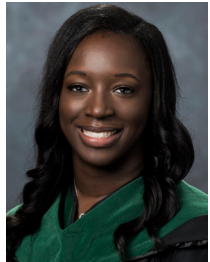
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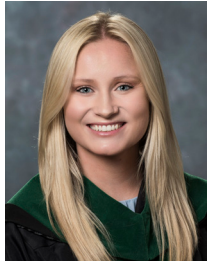
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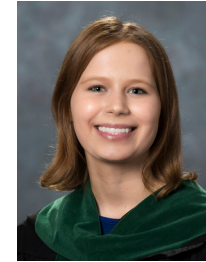
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After many years of hard work, Mercer University School of Medicine's graduates are on to the next phase in their careers and this is where their upcoming years in residency will be spent.

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