"Pomp and Circumstance" processional ............... Class of 2024 with faculty & staff

Welcome and introduction of Dr. Eva Aagaard ................. Philip Payne, PhD
Janet and Bernard Becker Professor
Associate Dean for Health Information and Data Science
Director, Institute for Informatics, Data Science and Biostatistics (I^DB)

Opening remarks .................................................. Eva Aagaard, MD
Senior Associate Dean
Vice Chancellor for Medical Education

Introduction Dr. Matifadza Hlatshwayo Davis .................. Philip Payne, PhD

Keynote speaker ................................................. Matifadza Hlatshwayo Davis, MD, MPH
Director, Health for the City of St. Louis

Introduction student remarks .................................. Philip Payne, PhD

Student remarks ...................................................... Jordan Michener
Applied Health Behavior Research

Conferral of degrees.............................................. Eva Aagaard, MD

AHBR program opening remarks, conferral of degrees ........ Amy McQueen, PhD
Professor of Medicine
Director, Graduate Programs Applied Health Behavior Research

MSBMI/MSBDS program opening remarks ...................... Philip Payne, PhD

MSBMI program conferral of degrees .......................... Po-Yin Yen, PhD
Associate Professor of Medicine
Co-Director, Biomedical Informatics Education Programs

MSBDS program conferral of degrees ........................... Lei Liu, PhD
Professor of Biostatistics
Associate Director, Biostatistics Education Programs
MSCI program opening remarks
and conferral of degrees ........................................... David Warren, MD, MPH
Professor of Medicine
Director, Master of Science in Clinical Investigation

TL1 program opening remarks, conferral of degrees ..... Jay Piccirillo, MD, FACS, CPI
Professor of Otolaryngology
Director, TL1 Predoctoral and Postdoctoral Program

MSGC program opening remarks, conferral of degrees . Rachael Bradshaw, MS, CGC
Program Director

MPHS program opening remarks ......................... Bettina Drake, PhD, MPH
Professor of Surgery, Public Health Sciences
Course Director, MPHS

MPHS program conferral of degrees ....................... Graham Colditz, MD, DrPH
Deputy Director, Public Health
Director, Master of Population Health Sciences

MSMP program opening remarks, conferral of degrees .... Michael Altman, PhD
Associate Professor, Radiation Oncology
Director of Education

Presentation of course instructors, mentor & student awards ..... Philip Payne, PhD

Closing remarks ......................................................... Eva Aagaard, MD

“Pomp and Circumstance” recessional ................. Class of 2024 with faculty and staff
Dr. Matifadza (Mati) Hlatshwayo Davis, MD, MPH, was appointed Director of Health for the City of St. Louis in 2021. She is an internationally recognized infectious diseases physician and an expert on public health and health equity.

Dr. Hlatshwayo Davis earned her medical degree from the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine and a Master’s in Public Health from Case Western Reserve University. She then completed her internal medicine residency at University Hospitals Case Medical Center. Dr. Hlatshwayo Davis went on to complete her Infectious Diseases fellowship, sub-specializing in HIV and STIs, at the Washington University School of Medicine, also completing a one-year dedicated non-ACGME HIV fellowship and a two-year dedicated Sexually Transmitted Infection fellowship. In September 2023, she was elected as a Fellow of the Infectious Disease Society of America (FIDSA), an honor that recognizes individuals who have achieved professional excellence and provided significant service to the profession of infectious diseases.

Prior to her appointment as Director of Health, Dr. Hlatshwayo Davis previously served as a Clinical Instructor, Associate Program Director of the Division of Infectious Diseases fellowship program, and in the Office of Inclusion and Diversity leadership at the Washington University of St. Louis School of Medicine. She was also an infectious diseases physician at the John Cochran VA Medical Center, where she was the Lead HIV Clinician, Graduate Medical Education Coordinator, and Outpatient Parenteral Antibiotic Therapy supervisor.

Recent highlights of her leadership as Director of Health include:

- Leading a nationally recognized COVID-19 response, which was lauded by President Biden in 2022
- Establishing the Health Department’s first Behavioral Health Bureau
- Implementing critical infrastructure and rebuilding the Fiscal Bureau with an innovative, first-ever partnership using an accounting firm; and
- From 2021 through 2023, hiring more than 121 new staff members (a City record for a department of this size)

Dr. Hlatshwayo Davis’ recent accolades include receiving the Infectious Disease Society of America (IDSA) Society Citation Award, a recognition of exemplary contributions in the field of infectious diseases. She also serves on the IDSA Board of Directors, is an Associate Editor for Disparities and Competent Care for IDSA, and is the Executive Producer and Co-host for IDSA’s “Let’s Talk” podcast. She has been invited to speak at more than 90 lectures, conferences, and organizations across the nation and has received more than 20 awards in recent years.
Presentation of degrees

Master of Science in Applied Health Behavior Research

Health Behavior Research is a multidisciplinary field that applies psychology, public health, behavioral medicine, communication science, and statistics to promote health and prevent disease.

Fall 2023 Graduates

David Timm
Rachel Middleton

Spring 2024 Graduates

Jordan Michener
Maya Skolnik
Melanie DuBois

Summer 2024 Graduate

Hexin Luo

Fall 2023 Graduate Certificate in Applied Health Behavior Research

Sara Kukuljan
Master of Science in Biomedical Informatics

The interdisciplinary Master of Science and certificate programs in Biomedical Informatics provide students with a competency-based training in core biomedical informatics theories and methods to address the fundamental shift health and life sciences are experiencing toward transdisciplinary, integrative, and data-intensive approaches to research.

Spring 2024 Graduates

  Sean Brown
  Zirui Chen
  Chad Storer
  Tina Tang

Summer 2024 Graduates

  Derek Harford
  Mei Xia

Spring 2024 Graduate Certificate in Biomedical Informatics

  Alex Plattner
Master of Science in Biostatistics and Data Science

The Master of Science and certificate programs in Biostatistics and Data Science offer core data science learning in statistical and computational methodologies along with practical training in data analysis of cutting-edge biomedical and genomics research.

Spring 2024 Graduate

Yifei Xu
Master of Science in Clinical Investigation

The Master of Science and certificate programs in Clinical Investigation provide scholars with the core competencies in clinical research and investigation, including study design, research implementation, statistical analysis, scientific communication, literature critique, leadership, Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) and rigor and reproducibility, as well as opportunities for community engagement relevant to MDs, PhDs, and doctoral students from diverse disciplines. Many graduates also participate in the Mentored Training Program in Clinical Investigation (MTPCI) which includes additional mentorship and specific training program for individuals who are interested in pursuing careers in Clinical and Translational Science.

Spring 2024 Certificate in Clinical Investigation
  Omar Alomar
  Ali Osman

Spring 2024 Certificate in MTPCI
  Ginny Schulz

Fall 2023 Graduate
  Jordan Varghese*

Spring 2024 Graduates
  Haiyan Liu*
  Parth Shah
  William Strober*
  Samuel Windham*
  Dean Adkins**
  Amanda Faust**
  Keshav Jayaraman**
  Audrey Keleman**
  Bryce Montane**
  Adeesh Parvathaneni**

Summer 2024 Graduates
  Lakshmi Gokanapudy-Hahn*
  Stephanie Diggs**
  Victoria de Leon**

*Also participating in MTPCI program
**Also participating in TL1 program
TL1 Predoctoral Clinical Research Program

The TL1 Predoctoral and Postdoctoral Clinical Research Program at Washington University provides career development for medical and allied healthcare students through didactic coursework, mentored training, work-in-progress research discussions, journal clubs, and conferences.

Spring 2024 Graduates

Dean Adkins*
Amanda Faust*
Keshav Jayaraman*
Audrey Keleman*
Bryce Montane*
Adeesh Parvathaneni*
James Rudloff
Vera Thornton

Summer 2024 Graduate

Stephanie Diggs*
Victoria de Leon*

*also earning MSCI degree
Master of Science in Genetic Counseling

The Program in Genetic Counseling is an innovative, 21-month Master of Science program that will prepare graduates to become certified genetic counselors. The program is composed of medical genetic- and counseling-focused curriculum, clinical rotations, and a research project.

Spring 2024 Graduates

Paige Ekert
Zoe Katz
Lydia Pack
Alexandra Widman
Master of Population Health Sciences

The Master of Population Health Sciences program provides students with a strong foundation and hands-on experience in designing and conducting research in clinical outcomes and population health and moving clinical research findings to applications that will improve patient care and treatment.

Spring 2024 Graduates

Rachel Butler
Ahmed Eltahir
Ariana Naaseh
Oluseye Oduyale
Franklin Olumba
Vikram Pothuri
Sabrina Prime
Drishti Sinha
Steven Tohmasi
Samantha Zambuto
Catherine Zivanov
Master of Science in Medical Physics

This CAMPEP-accredited program provides for students to learn fundamental concepts and techniques in the field of medical physics. Students are exposed to a wide array of diagnostic medical imaging, radiation therapy, nuclear medicine, and radiation safety approaches and techniques.

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**Fall 2023 Post PhD Certificate in Medical Physics**

- Nadia Benabdallah
- Wesley Tucker

**Spring 2024 Graduates**

- Hannah Sechaga
- Andrew Wood
- Haydon Windsor

**Spring 2024 Post PhD Certificate in Medical Physics**

- Jonathan Haefner
AHBR Awards

Mentor of the Year
Mark Fiala, PhD, MSW

Course Instructor of the Year
Melissa Chapnick, MPH

Outstanding Citizenship Award
Angie Trammel

Biostatistics & Biomedical Informatics Awards

Mentors of the Year
Adam Wilcox, PhD, FACMI
David H. Gutmann MD, PhD

Course Instructor of the Year
Zach Abrams, PhD

Outstanding Citizenship Award
Jingyi Zhang
MSCI Awards

*Mentor of the Year*
Christopher Dy, MD, MPH

*Course Director of the Year*
Dorina Kallogjeri, MD, MPH

*Outstanding Citizenship Award*
Hannah Szlyk, PhD

Medical Physics Awards

*Educator of the Year*
Michael Altman, PhD