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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



Dear Graduates, Families and Friends of the ISP Class of 2021:

On this special Commencement Day, we celebrate the accomplishments of the Dental Class of 2021. To the graduates, their families and friends, let me offer my congratulations on this momentous occasion, and acknowledge the academic accomplishments and personal sacrifices it has taken to reach this goal.

Graduates, the faculty and staff of the University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine take great pride in the educational, research and clinical programs that have provided you with the knowledge and skills that you now possess as new dentists. While you are now distinguished alumni of our great school, your education is not over. As capable professionals, you are entering the dental profession at a time when both your skills and compassion are much in demand.

As you meet the new challenges of treating patients in your communities, please remember the underserved and less fortunate populations who also need your care. Commit to increasing access to oral health care and improving lives.

May the opportunities and privilege to treat others be a source of great professional and personal satisfaction for you.

Best wishes for a rewarding future,

Denise K. Kassebaum, DDS, M.S.
Dean of the School of Dental Medicine

ORDER OF EXERCISES

INTRODUCTION

Krithika Baskaran, DDS, BDS

*Associate Professor and Director, Advanced Standing International Student Program
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GREETING

Denise K. Kassebaum, DDS, MS

Dean, School of Dental Medicine

REMARKS

Vladyslav Virun, DDS, BDS

*Class President 2021, International Student Program
Class of 2021*

Abhay Dalal, DDS, BDS

*Former Class President 2021, International Student Program
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ADDRESS TO THE GRADUATES

Roderick Nairn, PhD

*Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic & Student Affairs
for the Anschutz Medical Campus
Commencement Speaker*

PRESENTATION OF DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY DEGREES

Krithika Baskaran, DDS, BDS

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PLACEMENT OF ACADEMIC HOODS

Kunjan Kakar, DDS, MS

Clinical Assistant Professor, Restorative Dentistry

Thomas Greany, DDS

*Clinical Associate Professor, Restorative Dentistry
Director, Academic Technology Initiatives*

OATH

Graduating Class

NORLIN CHARGE

Elizabeth Towne, DDS

*Former Director, Advanced Standing International Student Program
Commencement Speaker*

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



Roderick Nairn, PhD, was appointed executive vice chancellor for academic and student affairs at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, effective July 1, 2021. Prior to that, Dr. Nairn had served as provost and executive vice chancellor for academic and student affairs at the University of Colorado Denver | Anschutz Medical Campus since 2008. He is an immunologist by training and is a professor of biology, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, and professor of immunology, School of Medicine. Prior to joining CU, Dr. Nairn was executive vice president for academic affairs, dean, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, and professor of microbiology and immunology at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. As executive vice chancellor he has responsibility for faculty, academic, and student affairs on the Anschutz Medical Campus. He is originally from Scotland. His education and training were in Glasgow, London and New York. In addition to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, he has held positions at the University of Michigan and Creighton University.

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DENTAL PROFESSIONS OATH

DEAN: Today you stand before family, friends, faculty, and colleagues, ready to become dentists. In closing this ceremony, you now have the opportunity to articulate your commitment to the profession. The oath you have chosen sets forth ideals and principles to guide the work ahead of you.

CLASS: Now being admitted to the profession of dentistry, I pledge myself to the service of humanity, my patients, my community, and my profession. I will use my skills to serve all in need, with openness of spirit and without bias. The health and well-being of my patients will be my first consideration. I will hold in confidence all that my patients entrust to me. I will not subordinate the dignity of any person to monetary, scientific or political ends.

I recognize that I have responsibilities to my community, to promote its welfare and to speak out against injustice. The high regard of my profession is born of society's trust in its practitioners; I will strive to merit that trust.

I will promote the integrity of my profession with honest and respectful relations with other health professionals. I am indebted to those who have taught me its art and science and I recognize my responsibility, in turn, to contribute to the education of those who come after me. I will strive to advance my profession by seeking new knowledge and by reexamining the ideas and practices of the past.

I assume these responsibilities, knowing that their fulfillment depends upon my own good health. I ask that my colleagues be attentive to my well-being as I will be to theirs. I will seek to improve my practice by maintaining my skills and addressing my mistakes.

I take this oath freely and upon my honor.

Based on the Hippocratic Oath

THE NORLIN CHARGE



We now come to a most solemn moment in our proceedings — The Norlin Charge. In 1935 University of Colorado President George Norlin gave a charge that has been repeated at every university graduation since. It is one of our most honored traditions. Graduates, please stand and listen closely as I read the Norlin Charge.

It is tradition at this ceremony to read the charge that the late University President George Norlin addressed to the class of 1935. Dr. Norlin was a professor of Greek at CU from 1899 to 1942. For 23 of those years, he served as President of the University, and the library he helped plan during that time now bears his name.

While at CU, President Norlin was an eloquent champion of democracy and human equality during a time of serious threats to those principles across the nation and the world. In 1924, the governor of Colorado reportedly took daily orders from the KKK, which controlled the Legislature. One of those orders was that President Norlin was to rid the faculty of all Catholics and Jews. Norlin refused and the University received limited funds that year. In the early 1930's, President Norlin was an early and vocal critic of Hitler's Nazi regime.

He devoted his career to two great causes: the life of the mind and love of this university. His devotion is heard in this 1935 charge, which closes all CU graduations.

“You are now certified to the world at large as alumni of the university. She is your kindly mother and you her cherished sons and daughters.

This exercise denotes not your severance from her, but your union with her. Commencement does not mean, as many wrongly think, the breaking of ties and the beginning of life apart. Rather, it marks your initiation in the fullest sense into the fellowship of the university, as bearers of her torch, as centers of her influence, as promoters of her spirit.

The university is not the campus, not the buildings on the campus, not the faculties, not the students of any one time — not one of these or all of them. The university consists of all who come into and go forth from her halls, who are touched by her influence and who carry on her spirit. Wherever you go, the university goes with you. Wherever you are at work, there is the university at work.

What the university purposes to be, what it must always strive to be, is represented on its seal, which is stamped on your diplomas — a lamp in the hands of youth. If its light shines not in you and from you, how great is its darkness! But if it shines in you today, and in the thousands before you, who can measure its power?

With hope and faith, I welcome you into the fellowship. I bid you farewell only in the sense that I pray you may fare well. You go forth but not from us. We remain but not severed from you. God go with you and be with you and us.”



CONGRATULATIONS
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