



HUDSON
COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH
The UNIVERSITY of OKLAHOMA HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

2020 - 2021

Scholarship Appreciation Ceremony



ADVISORY BOARD SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2011 by Advisory Board Members who saw the impact that scholarships have on students' lives and career development
- Members generously gave more than \$58,000 to establish this endowment, creating a legacy that will last in perpetuity.

ADVISORY BOARD SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Pawan Acharya

Doctor of Philosophy, Epidemiology, 2023

Pawan Acharya is a second-year student earning his Ph.D. in Epidemiology. His research interests include clinical epidemiology, ecological studies, health disparities, and local and global burden of disease. Previously, Pawan worked on health interventions to promote maternal and child health in rural Nepal. Pawan plans to join the academic sector as a faculty member after the completion of his doctorate degree.

AZIMI FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2017 by Mehdi Azimi, Ph.D.
- 1981 alumnus of the Hudson College of Public Health.
- Involved in the consultation practice of development, implementation and administration of public and environmental health and risk management through promotion and prevention for private companies, government agencies, health care facilities, hospitals and prison systems nationally and internationally.

AZIMI FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Marcio Bezerra

Doctor of Philosophy, Occupational and Environmental Health, 2020

Marcio Bezerra is a sixth-year doctoral candidate in the Department of Occupational and Environmental Health. He has bachelor degrees in military science and physical education and master's degrees in military sciences and public health. Marcio is studying exposures to welding fumes for his doctoral dissertation, and plans to become a professor after graduation. Marcio is honored to receive the Azimi Family Scholarship. He would like to thank the donors, his family and the Hudson College of Public Health faculty and staff for their support during his academic endeavors.

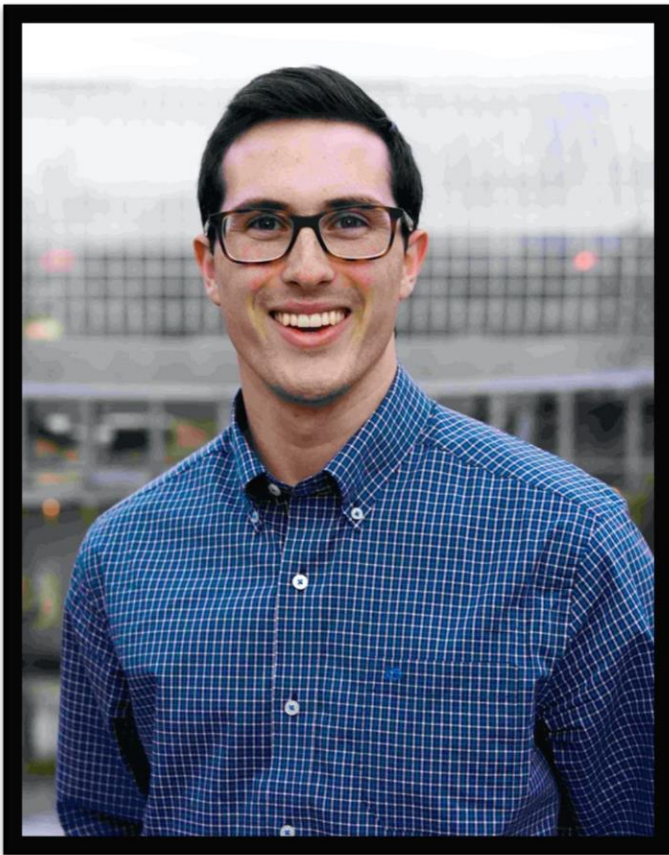
DR. ROD & SHIRLEY BRADLEY SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2018 by Dr. Shari Kinney, MPH, DrPH, in memory of her parents
- Dr. Rod Bradley practiced family medicine for 40 years
- Shirley Bradley was a registered nurse
- Together they initiated public health programs in the community such school immunizations and influenza vaccinations.

DR. ROD & SHIRLEY BRADLEY SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Tate Atkinson

Master of Public Health, Health Administration and Policy, 2021

Tate is a second year MPH student in the Department of Health Administration and Policy. He is currently studying the intersection of public health and public policy and interning in the Commissioner of Health's Office. Tate is an active student leader within the Unity Clinic, a student-led, team-based care clinic on the OUHSC Campus. He likes to spend his free time reading, staying active and visiting his family.

EDWARD N. BRANDT, JR. SCHOLARSHIP



1933 - 2007

- Established in 2004 to honor Edward N. Brandt, Jr., MD
- Professor Emeritus at OU Hudson College of Public Health and College of Medicine
- Executive Dean at OU College of Medicine
- Avid Sooner fan
- Served in leadership roles around the nation
- Appointed by President Ronald Reagan as Assistant Secretary of Health in the Department of Healthy and Human Services
- He was known as “Godfather of Women’s Health”

EDWARD N. BRANDT, JR. SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Ariana Bruner

Masters of Health Administration, Health Administration and Policy, 2021

Ariana Bruner is a second year MHA student. She is an active member on campus where she serves as the 2020-2021 HCOPHSA president, SGA Diversity Co-Chair, Unity Club Community Outreach Co-Chair, and Crimson Club member. In her spare time, Ariana enjoys traveling, making fancy meals, and running her small jewelry business, The Independent Youth. Ariana hopes to continue her journey in healthcare with an administrative role that will allow her to work towards making healthcare more diverse, inclusive, and equitable.

EDWARD N. BRANDT, JR. SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient

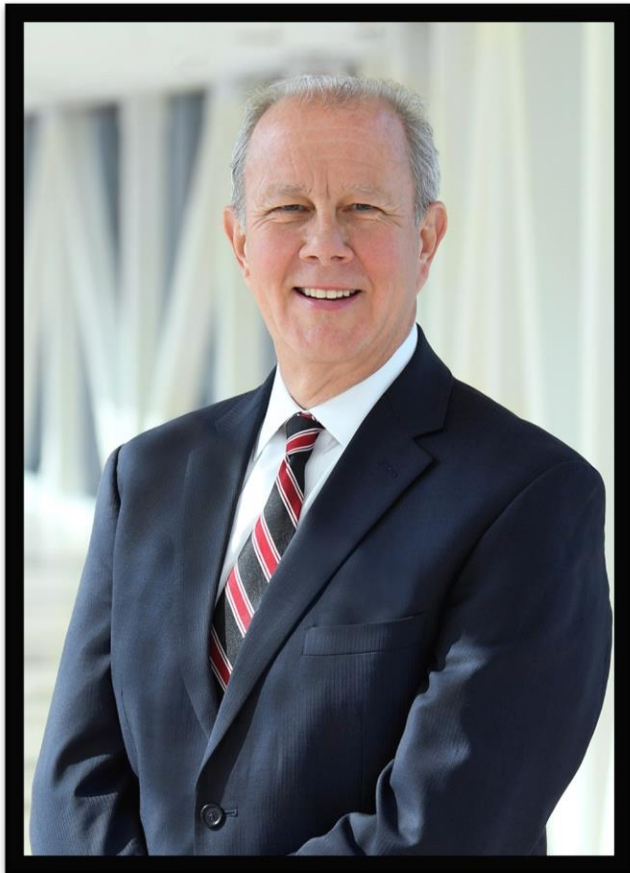


Rachel Kelley

Master of Public Health, Epidemiology, 2021

Rachel is an MPH student with a focus in Epidemiology. She is currently working for Dr. James George on the Oklahoma TTP Registry and with Dr. Deirdra Terrell on her K01 awarded grant to study the long-term effects of TTP, a rare blood disease, from the patient perspective. Rachel likes to stay involved at church and helps with their youth group, loves to read and listen to podcasts, and hopes to pursue medical school after completing her master's degree.

DALE W. BRATZLER SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2016 by Dr. Dale W. Bratzler
- 1996 MPH alumnus of the OU Hudson College of Public Health
- Chairman of the Department of Health Administration and Policy
- Chief Quality Officer, OU Enterprise
- Recently appointed as OU's Chief COVID Officer by OU President Joseph Harroz
- Created to support students pursuing a Master of Public Health degree meet their professional goals.

DALE W. BRATZLER SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Shelbi Legg

Master of Health Administration, Health Administration and Policy, 2021

Shelbi was born and raised in Mustang, Oklahoma and attended Oklahoma City University as a Clara Luper scholar. She graduated in 2016 with a degree in Cell and Molecular Biology. She has worked full-time as a medical assistant since she began working towards her MHA in the fall of 2018. After graduation, she plans to pursue a career in strategic planning or marketing. Shelbi is also looking forward to marrying OU MHA alumnus Joey Geresi in November 2021.

BURNS-SCHAIFF SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2016 by Dr. Robyn Burns-Schaiff and Dr. Tim Schaiff
- Met while earning their undergraduate degrees at University of Kansas
- Both earned doctoral degrees from University of Iowa
- Supports students interested in a practicum or research in the area of tobacco dependence cessation and/or tobacco prevention

BURNS-SCHAIFF SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Afsheen Hasan

Doctor of Philosophy, Epidemiology, 2022

Afsheen, a doctoral candidate in Epidemiology, is honored to receive the Burns-Schaiff Scholarship. As a graduate research assistant, she serves as research coordinator on two tobacco-related pilot studies. Her independent research focuses on tobacco-related health disparities. For her dissertation, she aims to understand the patterns of tobacco use by sexual and gender minority (SGM) youths. She plans to conduct a qualitative study among SGM young adults to identify key-contextual factors and adverse childhood experiences influencing their tobacco use behavior. In her spare time, Afsheen loves spending time with her family.

CALVEY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2004 to honor the Calvey Family
- Harry J. Calvey (deceased) worked in the oil and gas industry
- Mary Jane Calvey runs an environmental consulting firm, Real World Management and serves on the Advisory Board
- Kevin Calvey, JD, serves as an Oklahoma County Commissioner
- Mike Calvey runs a successful venture firm
- Cathy Calvey Chandler is a full-time mother and Occupational Therapist
- Beth Calvey Bohanon, DDS, practices in OKC

CALVEY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Olawale Dudubo

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Promotion Sciences, 2023

Olawale is a third-year doctoral student in the Department of Health Promotion Sciences. His research interests include health disparities, oral health inequalities, community health workers and the use of common risk factor approach in health promotion. He works as a Graduate Research Assistant at Oklahoma Public Health Training Center, where Dr. Kerstin Reinschmidt serves as his supervisor and mentor. Olawale is also father of two beautiful girls and husband to a beautifully brilliant lady.

RONALD L. COLEMAN SCHOLARSHIP



1934 - 2008

- Established in 2009 in memory of Ronald L. Coleman, Ph.D.
- OU faculty member for 37 years
- 15 years as Chairman of the Department of Occupational and Environmental Health
- Authored and published book chapters, prestigious scholarly journals and national presentations
- Recognized by OU for his outstanding teaching and commitment to students

RONALD L. COLEMAN SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Eneojo Onuche

Master of Science, Industrial Hygiene/Environmental Health Sciences, 2021

Eneojo is a full-time student in the Department of Occupational and Environmental Health. He has a background in chemistry and currently works as an Industrial Hygiene Associate. He chose to continue his education in the field of Industrial hygiene/environmental health sciences because of his passion for the profession. He is a Christian, a husband, and a father to a new baby girl. Outside of work and school, he enjoys spending time with family and friends, bike riding and playing tennis. His favorite quote is “Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you’ll land among the stars”.

CONOCO-PHILLIPS SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2011 by ConocoPhillips to support a student studying occupational and environmental health
- Primary goal of company is to operate a safe and efficient business that protects communities and environments
- Created to help advance public health education and target students whose career paths align with company's goal

CONOCO-PHILLIPS SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Rachel Miller

Master of Science, Industrial Hygiene/Environmental Health Sciences, 2021

Rachel Miller is grateful to receive the ConocoPhillips OEH Endowed Scholarship. As a current NIOSH trainee, she is working towards her master of science degree in industrial hygiene and environmental health. Rachel has a master of science in environmental geology and was previously a petroleum geologist. Her interests include industrial hygiene in the oilfield and geological health hazards. She teaches environmental science at Rose State College and loves spending time with her husband Brady, and three children, Madeline, Mathew, and Benjamin.

CONOCO-PHILLIPS SCHOLARSHIP

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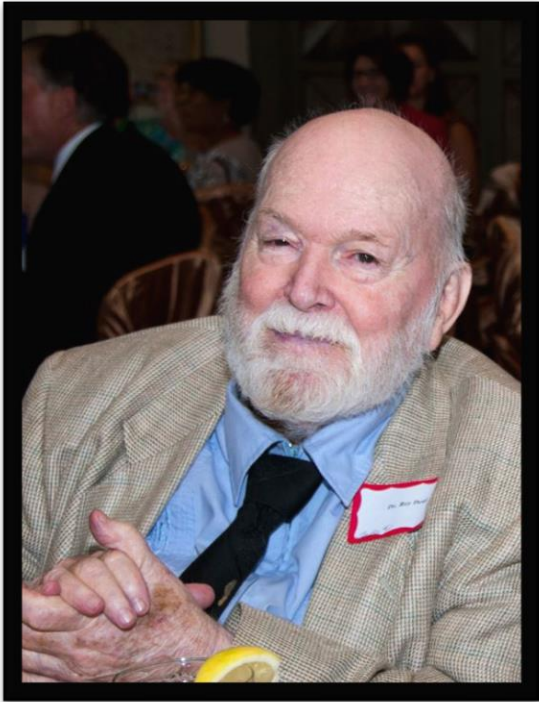


Courtney Noelle Redmond

Doctor of Philosophy, Industrial Hygiene/Environmental Health Sciences, 2023

Courtney came to Oklahoma in 2010 from California to join the Air Force Reserves and served for 8 years. During that time, she received a bachelor's degree in biology in 2018 and completed a master's degree in industrial hygiene/environmental health sciences in May 2020. She then decided to further her education by pursuing a doctorate degree. Her research interests include analyzing current respirator functionality and developing a lightweight respirator that can protect against Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs). She hopes to use her education to create safe working environments for individuals.

ROY D. DEAL, JR. SCHOLARSHIP



1919 - 2012

- Established in 2001 to honor Dr. Roy B. Deal, Jr.
- Earned three degrees from OU (BA in '47, MA in '48, PhD in '53)
- Professor in Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology
- World traveler
- Retired in 1985 with a distinguished career and awards too numerous to mention

ROY B. DEAL, JR. SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient

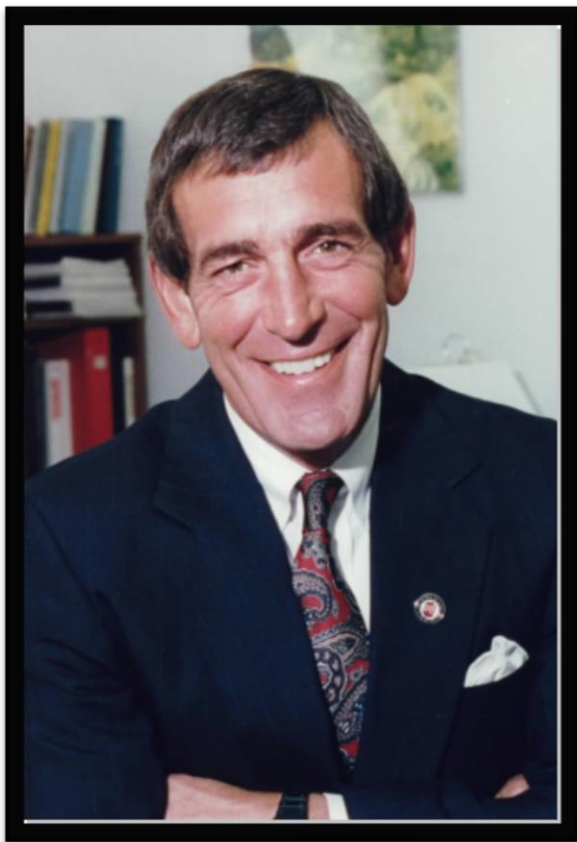


Spencer Hall

Master of Public Health, Biostatistics, 2021

Spencer earned his bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Oklahoma and is now pursuing a master's degree in biostatistics. He started a research assistantship for the Stephenson Cancer Center in January 2020 and plans to continue working in the area of cancer or chronic disease epidemiology and survival data analysis after graduation. Spencer served on the Student Counseling Services student advisory board in the 2019-2020 school year and is now the secretary for the Hudson CPH Student Association. He loves listening to and making music and playing board games with his family.

DAVID J. FALCONE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



1944 - 1996

- Established in 2001 to honor the memory of David J. Falcone, Ph.D.
- Regarded nationally and internationally for his expertise in gerontology and long-term care
- Associate editor for the *Journal of Health, Policy, Politics & Law*
- Recruited to OU in 1992 from Duke University
- Served as Chairman of the Department of Health Administration and Policy and as the Associate Director for Oklahoma Center on Aging
- Recognized as a role model who intellectually stimulated and inspired students, which earned him the OUHSC Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award (1996)

DAVID J. FALCONE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Adam Hassoun

Master of Health Administration, Health Administration and Policy, 2021

Adam's passions includes finding innovative strategic and operational solutions to problems in healthcare in order to provide improved quality and access to care. He hopes to be part of the leadership that leads to the improvement of Oklahoma's population. Eventually, he would love to start his own hospital in Syria and provide stability and care to a war-torn population.

ROSETTA FISHER STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2005 to honor Rosetta Fisher at her retirement
- Staff member in the Hudson College of Public Health for 27 years
- Received the Employee of Month Award, International & African-American Student Association Award, the Hudson College of Public Health Alumni Association Service Award, and Regents' Award for Superior Service

ROSETTA FISHER SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



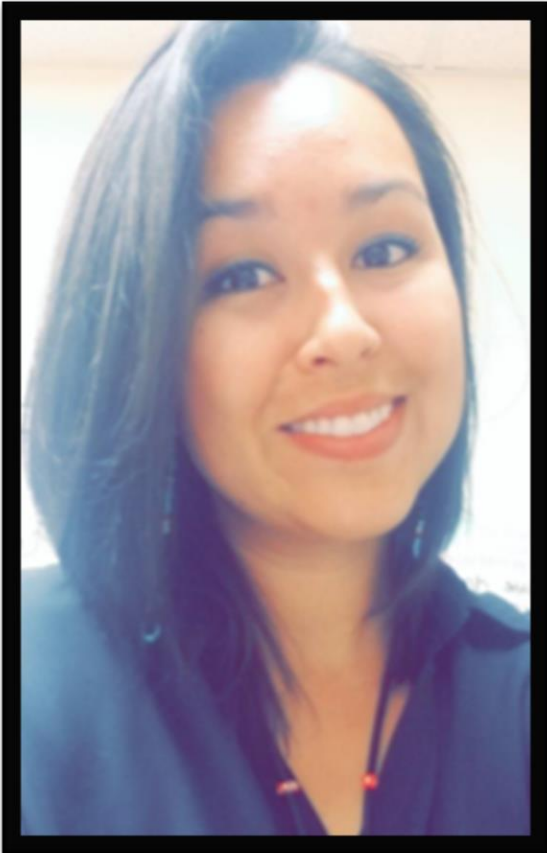
Araya Assfaw

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Promotion Sciences, Department of Health Promotion, 2023

Araya Dimtsu Assfaw is a third year doctoral student and Hudson Fellow in Public Health. He is honored to receive the Rosetta Fisher Student Scholarship. Originally from Ethiopia, Araya received his bachelor's degree in biology from Northwestern College (Iowa) and earned his MPH degree from Oregon State University in 2016. Araya is passionate about promoting and improving the health of vulnerable populations. Araya's research interest include improving quality of life to achieve better health outcomes for children and older adults.

ROSETTA FISHER SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



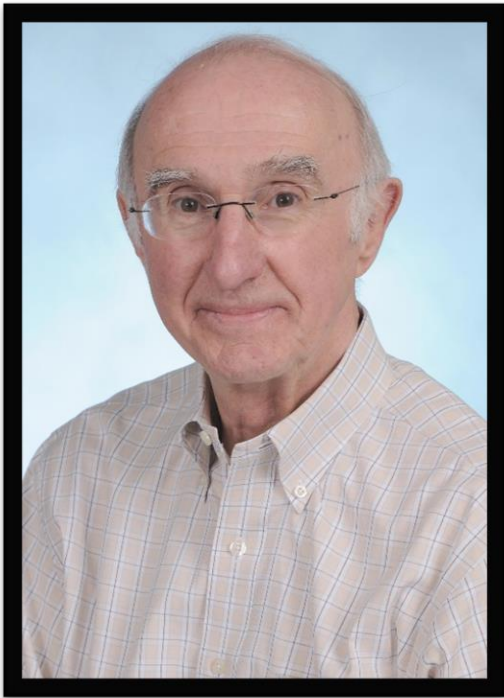
Cassandra Camp

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Promotion Sciences, 2021

Cassandra Dawn Camp is a fourth year doctoral candidate in Health Promotion Sciences and was recently named as a Hudson Fellow in Public Health. Cassandra is a citizen of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma and a descendant of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation from the Kaccv (panther/tiger) clan and the Mekusukey Band. Ms. Camp received her Master of Public Health in Health Promotion Sciences from the HCOPH in 2015. She now serves on the health advisory board for the Seminole Nation and the IHS Wewoka clinic. Her research interests include children's environmental health, built environment, and geospatial analysis.

JAMES N. GEORGE SCHOLARSHIP

IN BIOSTATISTICS AND EPIDEMIOLOGY



- Established in 2001 by Mujahid Rizvi, MD, a 2000 MPH alumnus, to honor his mentor, Dr. James George
- Professor in the Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology and the Department of Medicine
- Research and practice focuses on describing the demographics, clinical course, and outcomes of patients with immune thrombocytopenia, drug-induced thrombocytopenia, and thrombotic thrombocytopenia purpura.
- Active member of American Society of Hematology

JAMES N. GEORGE SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Silas Day

Master of Science, Epidemiology, 2020

Silas is a student in the Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology. He earned a bachelor's degree in anthropology and English literature and culture studies at the University of Oklahoma in 2015. Silas currently works in the Clinical Trials Office at the Stephenson Cancer Center as a Clinical Research Coordinator where he works on clinical trials in hematology, stem cell transplantation, and cellular therapeutics.

EDMUND H. GLEASON SCHOLARSHIP



1915 - 1986

- Established in 1998 to honor CMDR Edmund H. Gleason
- OU's first public health degree (1949)
- Used GI bill to earn degree in public health and sanitation
- Enforced public health and state ordinances on food safety
- Oversaw the implementation of a state-of-the-art sanitary landfill
- Distinguished military career as a public health officer in U.S. Navy for more than 30 years

EDMUND H. GLEASON SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Terence Gipson

Doctor of Philosophy, Health Promotion Sciences, 2021

Terence Gipson is a fourth-year doctoral candidate in the Department of Health Promotion Sciences. Terence received his Bachelor of Arts in International Affairs and a Master of Public Health in Health Administration from Michigan State University. His work spans critical issues in health disparities research across the life span ranging from health inequity in pediatric service delivery to the effects of social inequality on dementia care access.

CLAUDIA GRIFFITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2018 by friends, family and colleagues of the Griffith family
- 1994 MPH alumna
- Served as State Representative for House District 45
- Had a passion for improving our healthcare system and ensuring that more Oklahomans have access to quality medical care
- Passed away suddenly in July 2018

CLAUDIA GRIFFITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Andrew Schaff

Master of Public Health, Biostatistics and Epidemiology, 2021

Andrew Schaff is currently pursuing his MPH in Epidemiology while researching tobacco and vape retail practices as a GRA with Dr. Beebe. When not studying for exams and auditing gas stations Andrew enjoys spending his time playing board games with his fiancée, Caleigh. After graduating Andrew plans to find work as an infectious disease epidemiologist while his fiancée pursues her JD.

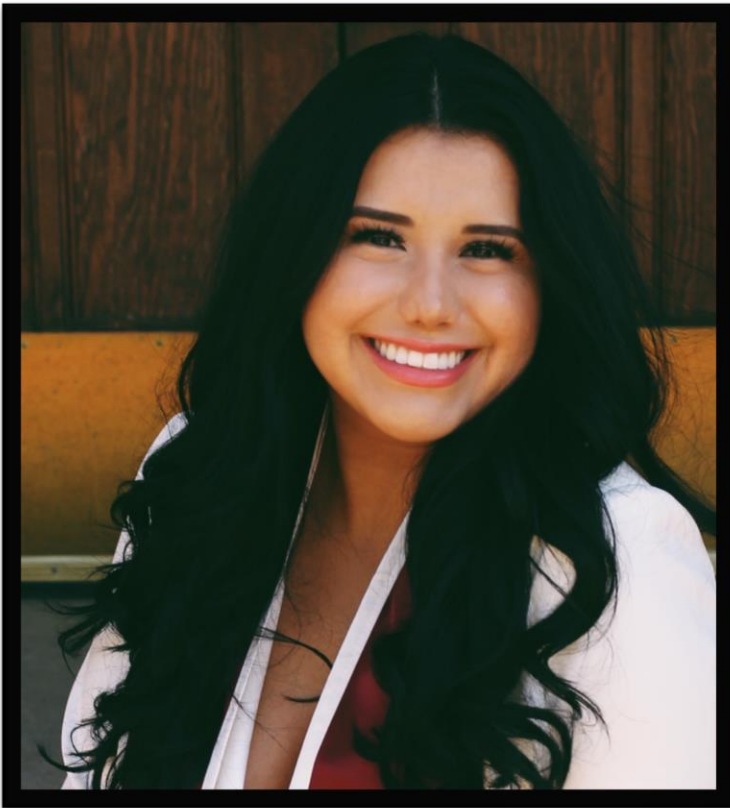
HENLEY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2013 by E. Scott, Susie, Regan and Shannon Henley
- Supports students pursuing and MPH or MHA degree
- 1981 alumnus of the Hudson College of Public Health
- President of Henley Associates, Inc
- Adjunct Professor in Department of Health Administration and Policy
- Member of Hudson College of Public Health Advisory Board

HENLEY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Abril Aguirre

Master of Health Administration, Health Administration and Policy, 2022

Abril was raised in Oklahoma and graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a bachelor's degree in community health and public & nonprofit administration. She is ecstatic to continue her studies at the Health Sciences Center and to pursue a master's degree in healthcare administration. During her time as a graduate student, Abril looks forward to working alongside OKC health professionals and giving back to her community. She enjoys cooking, watching good movies, and spending quality time with her five year old sister, Adelyn.

HUDSON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2013 by Dr. Leslie and Mr. Clifford Hudson
- Leslie earned her MPH in 1986 and PhD in Epidemiology in 1990
- Former adjunct professor in Biostatistics and Epidemiology
- Member of the Hudson College of Public Health Advisory Board
- Both have a long history of supporting OU
- In 2018, the college was renamed in their honor
- Scholarship assists students preparing for a community-based health practice

HUDSON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient

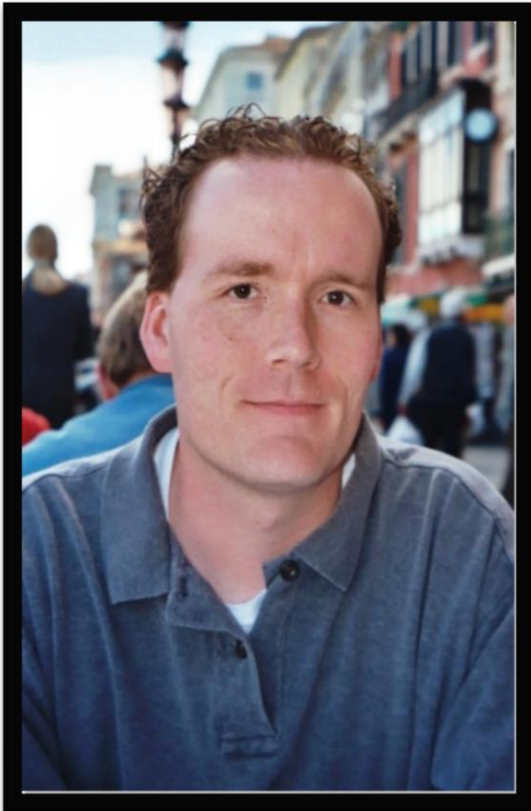


Ayesha Boureima Sambo

Master of Public Health, Epidemiology, 2020

Ayesha holds a bachelor degree in biology from the University of Oklahoma, and is currently a master of public health student in epidemiology. She is honored to be the recipient of the Hudson Family Scholarship. She currently works as a graduate research assistant on cancer-related projects. Her international background fuels her aspirations to pursue a career aimed at increasing our understanding of health disparities, reducing the burden of chronic and non-communicable diseases in vulnerable communities and to ensure health for all. Ayesha is also bilingual in French, and whenever she can, enjoys traveling, and learning about different cultures and cuisines.

BRENT HURD SCHOLARSHIP

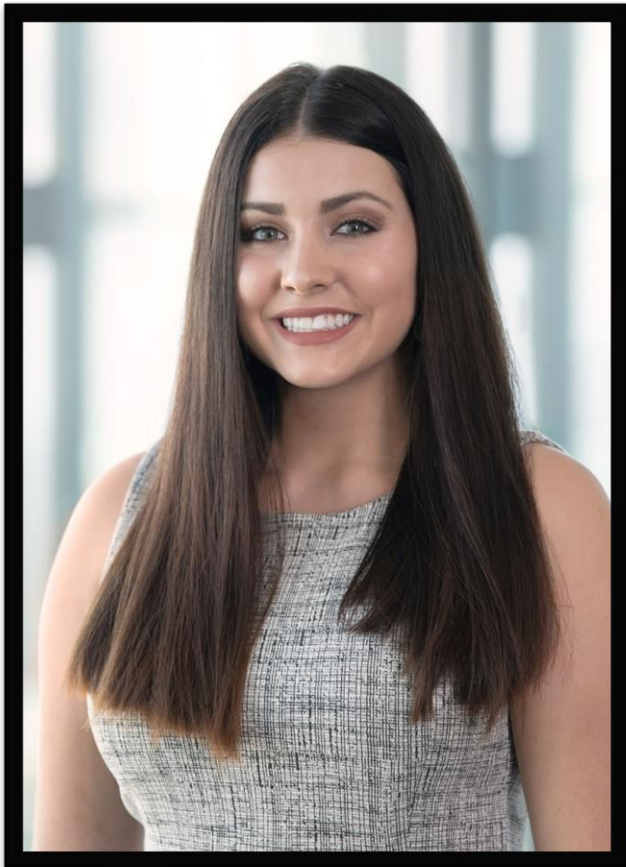


1973 - 2005

- Established in 2008 to honor the memory of Brent Hurd
- Earned his BA from University of Rochester
- Hosted a popular campus radio show
- Married his high school sweetheart, Denise Brien, in 1998
- Worked as research assistant at the Oklahoma State Department of Health
- Was in final year of master's degree in health administration when his life was cut short.

BRENT HURD SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Rachel Parke

Master of Health Administration, Health Administration and Policy, 2021

Rachel Parke is a second-year MHA student. She is an active member of the college and was elected by her peers to serve as the 2020-2021 ACHE Student Association Secretary and HCOPHSA Social & Hospitality Chair. Rachel is passionate about health education and recently received her Professional Pilates Certification in order to be a proactive force for the improvement of health in the OKC surrounding communities. Rachel hopes to continue her journey in healthcare with an administrative role that will allow her to provide an enhanced patient and provider experience.

JOHNSON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2016 by Dr. David and Mrs. Patsy Johnson
- Supports students pursuing a degree in Occupational and Environmental Health
- Both are long-time employees with a commitment to helping OU students succeed and meet their professional goals
- Mrs. Johnson retired in 2016 after 25 years of service at the College of Allied Health, Department of Nutritional Sciences
- Dr. Johnson served as Chairman of the Occupational and Environmental Health Department and Associate Dean in the Hudson College of Public Health
- Retired in May 2020 after 29 years of service

JOHNSON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Henry Amisah

Doctor of Philosophy, Occupational and Environmental Health, 2025

Henry is a new doctoral student, having enrolled in the Ph.D. program in occupational and environmental health this fall. His research interests are in worker exposures to combustible gases and volatile organic compounds. He moved here from Tennessee by way of Ghana, West Africa and he's still on the fence about Garth Brooks. After his Ph.D. program, he plans to become an educator in the field of occupational and environmental health and help educate communities most in need.

ROBERT W. KETNER SCHOLARSHIP



1925 - 1995

- Established in 1999 to honor the memory of Robert W. Ketner, PhD
- Earned his BA and PhD from OU
- Psychiatric social worker
- Faculty member in OU School of Social Work and Department of Health Promotion Sciences
- Inspired public health advocate
- Instrumental in keeping the college from being closed by the legislature in the early 1970s due to the severe budgetary crisis.

ROBERT W. KETNER SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Madison Rhodes

Health Administration and Policy, Master of Health Administration, 2021

Madison is currently working towards her MHA/JD dual degree and hopes to graduate in December 2021. She received her undergraduate degree in Business Administration from Mississippi State University. Madison hopes to have a career as General Counsel for a health group in the future in order to further serve her community by making a conducive environment for accessible healthcare.

ELISA T. LEE SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2010 to honor Elisa T. Lee, PhD
- George Lynn Cross Research Professor Emeritus
- Regents' Professor Emeritus in Biostatistics and Epidemiology
- Dean of the Hudson College of Public Health from 1994 - 2002
- Founder & Director of the Center for American Indian Health Research
- Experienced researcher and author of more than 250 technical papers
- Devoted to research and training to improve health and reduce health disparities in the American Indian population

ELISA T. LEE SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Lindsay Denson

Doctor of Philosophy, Epidemiology, 2022

In addition to being a doctoral student, Lindsay works in the Oklahoma Birth Defects Registry, which has provided numerous opportunities to use the skills she has learned in her program. Recently, she has had the opportunity to collaborate with the CDC and members of the National Birth Defects Prevention Network to contribute and publish several manuscripts, including a Morbid and Mortality Weekly Report. She looks forward to a continued career focused on improving the lives of women and families of Oklahoma through improved birth defect surveillance and research.

DAN J. MACER SCHOLARSHIP



1917 - 2001

- Established in 1997 to honor Dan J. Macer
- Retired as a Major in the U.S. Army in 1946
- Awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, and Distinguished Unit Badge
- Held senior executive positions in the VA and U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare and the VA in Oklahoma City
- Interim Dean of Hudson College of Public Health in 1980
- President of Dan J. Macer, Inc.

DAN J. MACER SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Wei-Jen Chen

Doctor of Philosophy, Epidemiology, 2021

Wei-Jen is a doctoral candidate in Epidemiology and Hudson Fellow in Public Health. He is honored to receive the Dan J. Macer scholarship. He holds a master's degree in public health from Taipei Medical University, Taiwan. Currently, he is working on his dissertation to understand the associations between environmental exposure mixtures, microbiome, and gestational diabetes. He is grateful for this scholarship support and believes it will assist him in achieving his future goals in public health.

DAN J. MACER SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Sameer Gopalani

Doctor of Philosophy, Epidemiology, 2021

Sameer is a doctoral candidate in Epidemiology and Hudson Fellow in Public Health. He is honored to receive the Dan J. Macer Scholarship. He is working on his dissertation to understand factors associated with HPV vaccination among Native American adolescents and adults. His overarching goal is to conduct translational research with a consequential approach to reduce the burden of HPV-associated cancers.

DAN J. MACER SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Osa Omoregie

Biostatistics & Epidemiology, PhD in Epidemiology, 2024

Osa is a second-year doctoral student in Epidemiology. She has a background in child health and earned her master of public health degree from Boston University School of Public Health. Her research interests include maternal and child health; chronic diseases; and health disparities. She plans to improve the health of vulnerable populations. During her leisure period, she loves reading, gardening, and painting. She is grateful to her family for their support.

OU GIVING DAY SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2017 to celebrate the gifts received from OU's Giving Day
- University's first-ever, 24-hour campus-wide campaign to raise funds directly to support student scholarships
- Thank you to alumni, donors and friends who helped us meet our goal

OU GIVING DAY SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Lacey Caywood

Master of Public Health, Interdisciplinary Public Health, 2021

Lacey Caywood has been a Tulsa resident since she was a child and plans to remain there post graduation. She currently works as a graduate research assistant with the OU-Tulsa Culinary Medicine Program. Previously, she worked at YWCA Tulsa as the Director of Health and Wellness. She also serves as the vice-president for League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Tulsa and has served on the board since 2018. She has a bachelor degree in health Ssciences from the University of Missouri. Her hobbies include knitting, board games, reading, and traveling.

OU GIVING DAY SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Emily Isbill

Master of Health Administration/Juris Doctor, Health Administration and Policy, 2021

Emily is finishing her last year of the MHA program after completing her law degree this past spring. She has focused on health law during her education with internships at Mercy Hospital, HHS – Office of the Inspector General, and a medical malpractice defense firm. Her future career goals include working as general counsel for an Oklahoma hospital. Emily is from Mustang, OK and is a fifth-generation Oklahoman. Her personal interests include reading nonfiction, playing volleyball, and volunteering in the community with local organizations.

OU GIVING DAY SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Amanda Llaneza

Doctor of Philosophy, Epidemiology, 2024

Amanda Llaneza is a doctoral student in Epidemiology. She focuses her research on rare chronic disorders and health disparities and works with Dr. Deirdra Terrell and Dr. Eliza Chakravarty. She has a passion for conducting research that serves community needs and improving health outcomes for minority populations. She enjoys reading, spending time with her family and tending to the garden she created in her apartment.

DIANE E. RIGGERT SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2016 by Dr. Aaron Boyd and Mrs. Tanja Krous Boyd to honor Tanja's mother, Diane E. Riggert, RN, BSN, MPH
- Supports a Registered Nurse pursuing a Master of Public Health degree
- Riggert is a 1990 alumna of the Hudson College of Public Health
- Manager of Occupational Health Services at Seattle Children's Hospital

DIANE E. RIGGERT SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Lindsay Mathai

Master of Public Health, Interdisciplinary Public Health, 2020

Lindsay holds a bachelor's degree in nursing and has many years of experience working in intensive care, apheresis, and oncology. Engaging the various disciplines of public health, her goal is to provide high quality care and promote wellness among the populations she serves. Lindsay is deeply grateful for the assistance the Diane E. Riggert Scholarship will provide during her pursuit of a master's degree. In her free time, she likes to travel, go on long walks or bike rides, and spend time with loved ones.

KATHLEEN A. SHAVER SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2020 by Kathleen A. Shaver
- 1994 alumna of the Department of Occupational and Environmental Health
- Held various teaching posts and environmental health jobs all over the United States driving responsible supply chain manufacturing practices for the automotive, chemicals, toys and electronics manufacturing
- Led several global initiatives dedicated to advancing voluntary codes of conduct and promoting ethical sourcing practices
- Director of Supplier Responsibility for Apple, Inc

KATHLEEN A. SHAVER SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Toluwanimi Oni

Doctor of Philosophy, Occupational and Environmental Health, 2023

Toluwanimi holds a bachelor's degree in physiology and a master's degree in environmental health from the University of Ibadan, Nigeria. He is currently a doctoral student and Graduate Research Assistant at the Environmental Health Analytical Core (EHAC) in the Department of Occupational and Environmental Health. He is proud to receive the newly established Kathleen A. Shaver scholarship. Toluwanimi hopes to become a university professor in the future and his research interests are focused on the health impacts of nicotine and electronic cigarette use as well as aerosol science. He loves to read, travel and play soccer.

JULIE A. STONER SCHOLARSHIP IN BIOSTATISTICS



- Established in 2020 to honor the memory of Dr. Julie Stoner
- Chair of Biostatistics and Epidemiology
- Associate Dean of Research and Professor of Biostatistics
- Presidential Professor and David Ross Boyd Professor
- Beloved colleague, friend and mentor
- Strengthened our partnerships with other OU Colleges, the Stephenson Cancer Center and Harold Hamm Diabetes Center
- Passed away in June 2020 after battle with cancer

JULIE A. STONER SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Lance Ford

Doctor of Philosophy, Biostatistics, 2021

Lance is a third-year PhD student in Biostatistics and Hudson Fellow in Public Health. Since being at OUHSC, Lance has collaborated on research projects in the college and across campus in areas such as neurology, rehabilitation sciences, geriatric medicine, and cancer prevention. He has co-authored multiple publications in World Neurosurgery, Critical Care, and Translational Stroke Research. When Lance isn't working from home, he's still at home, but trying new hobbies, going for walks, or catching up on a long list of reading and Coursera webinars.

J.C. WATTS FAMILY HEALTH & WELLNESS SCHOLARSHIP



- Established in 2015 in memory of J.C. Watts, Sr.
- Recruits and supports students who are studying the health and wellness of diverse populations.
- J.C. Watts, Jr. is a nationally recognized athlete who played on the OU football team.
- Named Orange Bowl MVP in 1980 and 1981
- Inducted into Orange Bowl Hall of Fame in 1992
- First African American U.S. House of Representative elected from Oklahoma
- Political consultant and advocate for autonomy in low-income families

J.C. WATTS FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Hudson College of Public Health Student Recipient



Shelby Crum

Master of Public Health, Health Promotion Sciences, 2021

Shelby is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation from rural Indiana. She moved to Oklahoma to pursue a career in tribal health after receiving her bachelor's degree from Butler University in Science, Technology & Society. She currently works for both the Quapaw Nation as an agricultural project coordinator and as a graduate research assistant for the ONIE Project. Her future plans are to continue working with tribal communities to reduce health disparities by promoting healthy eating habits, education, physical activity through sports.



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