



Roseman University of Health Sciences


CLASS OF 2026 COMMENCEMENT



FRIDAY, THE 15TH OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-SIX
ONE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

Abravanel Hall, 123 W S Temple Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84101

THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY



PRELUDE	The String Quartet <i>Brandenburg Concerto #1 First Movement, Johann Sebastian Bach</i> <i>Eine Kleine Nachtmusik First Movement, W. A. Mozart</i> <i>Andante from Piano Concerto No. 21, W. A. Mozart</i> <i>Entrance from the Queen of Sheba, George F. Handel</i> <i>Andante from the Water Music, George F. Handel</i> <i>Gavotte from Suite #3, Johann Sebastian Bach</i>
PROCESSIONAL	The String Quartet <i>Pomp and Circumstance, Edward Elgar/Arr. Paul Sterrett</i>
UNIVERSITY MARSHAL	Dr. Victor Venegas, <i>Assistant Professor, College of Nursing</i>
NATIONAL ANTHEM	The String Quartet
OPENING PROCLAMATION & INTRODUCTIONS	Dr. Renee Coffman, <i>President & Co-Founder</i>
GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Mr. Mark Howard, <i>Treasurer, Board of Trustees</i>
INTRODUCTION OF THE COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER	Dr. Jeremy Wells, <i>Chancellor, South Jordan, Utah Campus</i>
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	The Honorable Evan Vickers, <i>Utah State Senate</i>
PRESENTATION OF BSN GRADUATING CLASS	Dr. Jamie York, <i>Associate Dean, Academic and Student Affairs College of Nursing</i>
CONFERRING OF THE BSN DEGREE	Dr. Renee Coffman, <i>President & Co-Founder</i>
INTRODUCTION OF BSN GRADUATES ..	Dr. Bethany Hayward, <i>Assistant Professor and Skills Lab Coordinator</i>
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF MSNFP GRADUATING CLASS	Dr. Jamie York, <i>Associate Dean, Academic and Student Affairs College of Nursing</i>
ADMINISTRATION OF NURSING OATH	Prof. Racheal Holley, <i>Assistant Professor, College of Nursing</i>
PRESENTATION OF MBS GRADUATING CLASS	Dr. Jeffery Talbot, <i>Vice President for Research Dean, College of Graduate Studies</i>
CONFERRING OF THE MBS DEGREE	Dr. Renee Coffman, <i>President & Co-Founder</i>
INTRODUCTION OF THE MBS GRADUATES	Dr. Kamran Awan, <i>Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and MBS Program Director, College of Graduate Studies</i>

PRESENTATION OF

MSPS GRADUATING CLASS..... Dr. Jeffery Talbot, *Vice President for Research
Dean, College of Graduate Studies*

CONFERRING OF THE MSPS DEGREE.... Dr. Renee Coffman, *President & Co-Founder*

INTRODUCTION OF MSPS GRADUATES.. Dr. Casey Sayre, *Assistant Dean for Research, College of Pharmacy
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PHARMD GRADUATING CLASS..... Dr. Larry Fannin, *Dean, College of Pharmacy*

CONFERRING OF PHARMD DEGREE Dr. Renee Coffman, *President & Co-Founder*

INTRODUCTION OF

PHARMD GRADUATES..... Dr. Tyler Rose, *Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Science
College of Pharmacy*

HOODING OF PHARMD GRADUATES.... Dr. Erin Johanson, *Director of Experiential Education
and Professor, College of Pharmacy*

Dr. Danielle Gundrum, *Director of Student Affairs
and Associate Professor, College of Pharmacy*

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PHARMACY OATH..... Dr. Braden Adamson, *Associate Professor, College of Pharmacy*

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DMD GRADUATING CLASS Dr. Frank Licari, *Dean, College of Dental Medicine*

CONFERRING OF DMD DEGREE..... Dr. Renee Coffman, *President & Co-Founder*

INTRODUCTION OF DMD GRADUATES.. Dr. Rachel Tomco Novak, *Associate Dean for Enrollment
& Student Success, Dental Medicine*

HOODING OF DMD GRADUATES Dr. Ryan Jones, *Assistant Dean for Patient Care
& Clinical Outcomes, College of Dental Medicine*

Dr. Jon Fairbanks, *Assistant Dean for Clinical Education
& Student Advancement, College of Dental Medicine*

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DENTISTS' PLEDGE Dr. Jon Fairbanks, *Assistant Dean for Clinical Education
& Student Advancement, College of Dental Medicine*

GRADUATE COMMENTARY Dr. Kaitlyn Hinton, *College of Pharmacy, Class of 2026*

CLOSING REMARKS..... Dr. Renee Coffman, *President & Co-Founder*

RECESSIONAL..... The String Quartet
*Hornpipe from the Water Music & La Rejouissance
from the Fireworks Music, Both by George F. Handel*

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Yasmin Khaled Zamel
Jason Randy Zarge
Ibrahim Achraf Zeitoun

As final action cannot always be taken for candidates by the time the program is printed, the list of candidates is tentative only. Therefore participation in the commencement ceremony does not necessarily indicate successful completion of a degree program. Roseman University of Health Sciences reserves the right to withdraw or add names.

NURSING OATH

In full knowledge of the obligations I am undertaking, I promise to practice professional nursing with all my skill and the understanding I possess, without regard to race, creed, color, politics, or social status of those entrusted to my care, sparing no effort to preserve quality of life, alleviate suffering, and to promote health, as affirmed by the person.

I will respect at all times the dignity and beliefs of the patients under my care, holding in confidence all personal information entrusted to me, and refraining from any action which may endanger life or health.

I will endeavor to keep my professional knowledge and skills at the highest level, and to give support and cooperation to all members of the healthcare team.

I will do my utmost to honor the International Code of Ethics applied to nursing, and to uphold the integrity of the profession.

OATH OF A PHARMACIST

I promise to devote myself to a lifetime of service to others through the profession of pharmacy. In fulfilling this vow:

- I will consider the welfare of humanity and relief of suffering my primary concerns.
- I will promote inclusion and belonging, respect differences in all individuals, and address health disparities to advance health equity for all people.
- I will apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal outcomes for all patients.
- I will respect and protect all personal and health information entrusted to me.
- I will accept the responsibility to improve my professional knowledge, expertise, and self-awareness.
- I will hold myself and my colleagues to the highest principles of our profession's moral, ethical and legal conduct.
- I will embrace and advocate changes that improve patient care.
- I will utilize my knowledge, skills, experiences, and values to prepare the next generation of pharmacists.

I take these vows voluntarily with the full realization of the responsibility with which I am entrusted by the public.



DENTISTS' PLEDGE

I, (state your name), as a member of the Dental Profession, will keep this pledge and these stipulations.

I understand and accept that my primary responsibility is to my patients, and I shall dedicate myself to render to the best of my ability, the highest standard of oral health care, and to maintain a relationship of respect and confidence.

Therefore, let all come to me safe in the knowledge that their total health and well-being are my first considerations.

I shall accept the responsibility that, as a professional, my competence rests on continuing the attainment of knowledge and skill in the arts and sciences of dentistry.

I acknowledge my obligation to support and sustain the honor and integrity of the profession, and to conduct myself in all endeavors such that I shall merit the respect of patients, colleagues, and my community.

I further commit myself to the betterment of my community for the benefit of all society.

I shall faithfully observe the principles of ethics and code of professional conduct set forth by the profession.

All this I pledge with pride in my commitment to the profession and the public which it serves.

ABOUT OUR KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Senator Evan Vickers was born in Panguitch Utah and raised in Beaver, graduating from Beaver High School in 1972. He earned a degree in pharmacy from the University of Utah in 1977 and has spent his professional life as a pharmacist and small business owner. He owns and operates Bulloch Drug and Township Pharmacy, along with four other retail stores in Cedar City.

Sen. Evan Vickers represents District 28, covering Beaver, Iron, Juab, Millard, and Washington counties. He was first elected to public office in 1987, serving on the Cedar City Council until 1999. In 2009, he was elected to the Utah House of Representatives and joined the Senate in 2012. He served as Senate majority leader from 2019 to 2025.

Senator Vickers currently serves as Chair of the Senate Business and Labor Committee, Chair of the General Government Appropriations Subcommittee, and as a member of the Government Operations and Political Subdivisions Committee, the Legislative Expense Oversight Committee, and the Joint Legislative Policy Committee on Behavioral Health. He previously chaired the Senate Health and Human Services Committee and the Higher Education Appropriations Committee, where he provided oversight, budgeting, and direction for Utah's colleges and universities.

Evan and his wife, Chris, have been married for 50 years and have lived in Cedar City for more than four and a half decades. Together they have five children and are the proud grandparents of 15 grandchildren. Senator Vickers is an avid outdoorsman who enjoys golfing, fishing, hunting, and camping.

HISTORICAL OVERVIEW OF ROSEMAN UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Roseman University of Health Sciences began as the Nevada College of Pharmacy, an idea from one man, Dr. Harry Rosenberg. Dr. Rosenberg's idea was that pharmacy education should be and could be better, more effective, and capable of producing highly competent graduates, who would be sought-after by employers regardless of the job market. His belief in this idea was so strong that he moved from California in August 1999, and with \$15,000, one-third of which was his own, rented a 900 square foot office in the Painter's Union Building on Whitney Mesa Avenue in Henderson to begin the planning and development of what was to become one of the most innovative, creative, and cost-effective Colleges of Pharmacy in the nation.

It was a bold move. There hadn't been a new college of pharmacy started in over 50 years that was not part of an already existing institution. Many doubted that it would even be possible, and with good reason. To assist in this endeavor, however, Dr. Rosenberg enlisted the support of the Nevada pharmacy community, contacting leaders in pharmacy organizations, chain pharmacy managers, hospital pharmacy directors, pharmacists leading home health companies, and the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy. These individuals volunteered to become the nucleus of what would evolve to become the Nevada College of Pharmacy Board of Trustees, and they are still valued members of the Board today.

A curriculum was developed that emphasized a student-centered, active learning environment where students were participating in experiential education from the very beginning of the program. Rather than semesters or quarters, the curriculum was organized into blocks that allowed students to take one course at a time. Students would be in class from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, allowing them ample time to concentrate and focus on achieving the desired outcomes. It would also provide opportunities for students to be active participants in the learning process by facilitating the incorporation of a variety of learning activities other than the traditional lecture format. Moreover, the early pharmacy practice experiences were designed to enhance and support the didactic curriculum by allowing students to actually see, feel, and understand what was presented in the classroom in an actual pharmacy setting. Additionally, by restructuring the curriculum in the block format, Dr. Rosenberg realized that the curriculum could be accomplished in three years, rather than the traditional four, making the College of Pharmacy one of the most affordable private Colleges of Pharmacy in the nation. This became the model for all future degree programs.

The inaugural class of the Nevada College of Pharmacy was recruited in the fall of 2000 and those 38 students graduated in November 2003. A new facility with 30,000 square feet located on the corner of Eastern Avenue and Russell Road was rented in January 2002 to accommodate the rapidly growing College community. The Nevada College of Pharmacy called this space “home” until November 2003, when it moved into its permanent location, a 100,000 square foot building at 11 Sunset Way in Henderson. Ironically, this facility is only one block away from the College’s original 900 square foot space in the Painter’s Union Building. The College of Pharmacy (COP) extended its Pharm.D. program to South Jordan, Utah in fall of 2006. It is housed in a 119,000 square foot facility in the River Park Complex. Today, the College has over 1,000 students enrolled. The College of Pharmacy is providing continuing education programs for Nevada and Utah pharmacists and is actively involved in the pharmacy community. The College of Pharmacy is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.

In 2004, the Board of Trustees approved changing the name of the institution to the University of Southern Nevada (USN) to reflect the intent to expand degree offerings. That year also saw the development of the Master of Business Administration (MBA) program. The inaugural MBA class started in fall 2005 and graduated in June 2006. The MBA program was accredited by the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE). In FY 2018-2019, the University initiated a Task Force review of the MBA program, considering many factors, including current pathways, its relevance to today’s joint-program Roseman students, challenges in delivering the curriculum, declining enrollment and completion trends, and macro trends in the higher education landscape. In the end, the University decided to discontinue the MBA program and started working on a teach out to end June 2022.

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program was implemented in 2006 in the Nevada campus. The College of Nursing (CON) started classes in April 2006 and graduated its inaugural class in October 2007. It has full approval from the Nevada State Board of Nursing, and is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). The College of Nursing admitted its first class in the Accelerated BSN (ABSN) program in Nevada in October 2010. The BSN program admitted its first class in the Utah campus in January 2010 and ABSN in 2015. The program in Utah has full approval from the Utah State Board of Nursing and is accredited by CCNE. In 2020, the College of Nursing established Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner program. The program admitted its first class in January 2021. In 2024, the College gained accreditation from Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA) to offer a Doctor of Nursing Practice in Nurse Anesthesia (DNPNA) beginning in July 2024.

The College of Dental Medicine (CODM) was approved by the University’s Board of Trustees in August 2007. In January 2009, the Commission on Dental Accreditation granted accreditation to the CODM’s Advanced Education in Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics (AEODO)/MBA Residency Program. On February 2, 2009 the CODM matriculated nine Residents into the inaugural Class of 2011. In October 2009, the University announced plans to expand the College of Dental Medicine to the South Jordan, Utah campus to offer a Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) degree. The College admitted the first class in fall 2011. An additional 125,000 square foot facility for the program was constructed adjacent to the campus at River Park and opened in December 2012. This program has been granted Accreditation from the Commission on Dental Accreditation. In 2023, the DMD program was granted approval to transition to a three-year program.

In January 2011, the University’s Board of Trustees voted unanimously to change the name of the institution to Roseman University of Health Sciences. The new name reflects the university’s desire to change to a non-geographic branding as it continues its expansion. More importantly, it better reflects the university’s mission as “a leader in transforming health care education.” The name became effective on July 1, 2011.

In 2013, the University completed a merger with the Nevada Cancer Institute Foundation, securing the 184,000 square foot Engelstad Cancer Research Building to bolster its medical research programs. In April 2014, the University purchased the adjacent 143,000 square foot Flagship Building of the former Nevada Cancer Institute. Combined, the two buildings make up what is now Roseman University's Summerlin campus, home to the University's College of Medicine, which was approved for development by the Board of Trustees in December 2013.

In June 2018, Roseman University and Cure 4 The Kids Foundation formally agreed to a partnership to create a one-of-a-kind collaboration in the State of Nevada with Cure 4 The Kids becoming an independent division of Roseman University of Health Sciences and moved its administrative and clinical operations to the Summerlin campus.

In 2021, after two years of planning, Roseman University established a College of Graduate Studies. Its initial program offerings include a Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences (MBS) and a Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences (MSPS). In 2024, a focus on Data Science and Health Informatics was added as an option to the MSPS program.

In 2024, the College of Nursing began offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice in Nurse Anesthesia (DNPNA) and the Doctor of Nursing Practice – Family Nurse Practitioner (DNPFP) in 2025.

In February 2025, the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) awarded Roseman University College of Medicine Preliminary Accreditation to begin offering the Doctor of Medicine (MD) program at the Summerlin campus. The program enrolled its charter class of 64 students in July 2025.

Also, in February 2025, Roseman University announced the creation of a College of Veterinary Medicine, to be based at the Henderson campus. The proposed program is pursuing accreditation through the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Council on Education (COE).

Roseman University of Health Sciences is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU). As Roseman continues to grow, it will remain true to the ideas and ideals of its founder, Dr. Harry Rosenberg. For more information please visit our website at www.roseman.edu.



ACADEMIC REGALIA (COSTUME)

The black caps and gowns worn by the students and faculty in the academic procession are of ancient origin. They have been the traditional costume of the scholar since medieval times and probably represent an adaptation of the ecclesiastical dress since many of the scholars of the period were members of the monastic orders. American academic costume had its origins in the 12th-13th century European universities when gowns distinguished doctor's, master's and bachelor's from other segments of the population.

In 1895, an intercollegiate commission adopted a uniform code for academic dress which has since been adopted by the majority of colleges and universities in the United States. Each of the three academic degrees-bachelor, master, doctor-has its own distinctive gown and hood.

THE GOWN– The academic gown today symbolizes the democracy of scholarship because it covers any dress of rank or social standing underneath. The gown is usually black. The bachelor's gown is distinguished by its long point sleeve. The master's gown has a long, oblong sleeve, extending below the knee. In contrast, the doctor's gown has a full bell-shaped sleeve with three bars of velvet. The opening of this gown is faced with wide velvet bands. The velvet trim may be black or of a color indicating the general field of learning of the wearer, for example, olive green for pharmacy, apricot for nursing, drab for business and lilac for dentistry.

THE CAP– The academic cap is usually black and the material matches the gown. Mortar boards are generally recommended. The color of the tassel denotes the discipline.

THE HOOD– The most colorful and distinctive item of the academic costume is the hood which passes around the neck and extends down the back. The doctor’s hood is the largest of the hoods and the bachelor’s is the smallest. The bachelor’s hood is often omitted. The color of velvet edging indicates the field of learning. The hood is lined with the official color of the college/university. The color of the facing denotes the discipline represented by the degree. Colors associated with different degrees are: Arts, white; Business, drab; Dentistry, lilac; Economics, copper; Education, light blue; Engineering, orange; Fine Arts, brown; Hospital Administration, salmon; Journalism, crimson; Law, purple; Medicine, green; Music, pink; Nursing, apricot; Pharmacy, olive green; Philosophy, dark blue; Public Administration, peacock blue; Science, golden yellow; Social Service, citron; and Theology, scarlet.

PERMISSIBLE EXCEPTIONS– Only members of the governing body of a college or university, whatever their degrees, are entitled to wear doctor’s gowns (with black velvet), but their hoods may be only those of degrees actually held by the wearers or those especially prescribed for them by the institution. The chief marshal may wear a specially designed costume approved by the institution.

Adopted from: American University and Colleges, American Council on Education, 1997.



THE MACE

The mace is identified with the Office of the President and is carried in academic processions at commencement and convocation ceremonies. Historical maces date back to the 13th century when they were first carried as ceremonial symbols of royal authority at events attended by English Kings. The Marshal has the honor of serving as the macebearer at these events.

THE PRESIDENT’S MEDALLION

The President’s medallion is in the form of the University Seal and is made of solid sterling silver and held by a ribbon representing the University colors of burgundy and silver. The medallion represents the authority of the President as the highest dignitary in the institution.

INVOCATION/BENEDICTION

Dr. Lacy is the co-founder and the current Vice President of Executive Affairs at Roseman University of Health Sciences. In this capacity, Dr. Lacy fosters, develops, and maintains new opportunities for the university in the areas of business partnerships, foundational development, external programs development and outreach project design and coordination. Dr. Lacy is a Professor of Pharmacy Practice in the College of Pharmacy and Guest Professor in the College of Nursing.

Dr. Lacy is probably best known for his numerous presentations and publications, one of which, The Drug Information Handbook, has twice received the Doodie Award for Excellence in Medical Publishing.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Roseman University of Health Sciences pays tribute to the parents, spouses, significant others and friends of the members of the Class of 2026 for their support, dedication and sacrifice.



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