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### Inspiration + Motivation

"Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end." -Seneca

"The future is always uncertain, but we who celebrate all of your achievements, we are certain of one thing: You will not let us down." -Tom Hanks

"Whatever you choose for a career path, remember the struggles along the way are only meant to shape your purpose." -Chadwick Boseman

"Go into the world and do well. But more importantly, go into the world and do good." -Minor Myers, Jr.

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# Public Health Memos

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### **A New Chapter Awaits!**

Whether you are saying goodbye to the semester or the program, a new chapter is right around the corner! We hope this semester has brought all of our PUBH students' sweet friendships, incredible memories, and the knowledge and skills needed to make the world better a better place!

### **Graduation Festivities!**

# **Graduation Celebration!**

## For 2023 Spring and Summer Graduates!

Thursday, May 18th at the Black Cultural Center 1:00-4:00 pm

# **Graduate Hooding** Saturday, May 20th 7:00 pm Thompson-Boling Arena

### Congrats To the Following Spring and Summer 2023 Grads!

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Your hard work has paid off!

Amanda Andrews- CHE Mayah Bloch- CHE (first ever DE program graduate!) Channie Cretsinger- HPM Mariah Dee- VPH Emma Dunavin- HPM Alex Gardner- CHE Meredith Horton-CHE Travis Hudson- EPI Zoya Kamil- HPM Monica Lee- VPH Sara Lyon- EPI Rebeca Nieves- EPI Liam Nolan- HPM Uche Nwogwugwu- CHE Priscilla Pineda- EPI Tamara Roba- VPH Erin Sweeney- EPI **Bonnie Valerio- HPM** Katie Warwick- EPI Zach Wildman- VPH Ashlyn Schwartz- Ph.D.

### **Quotes From Our Graduates!**

"Throughout my time in the MPH program, I have had the opportunity to not only explore new areas within public health but find my passion for epidemiology and built lasting connections with people that I have met along the way. I was able to participate in research and gain valuable skills that I have been able to apply in both my current position at TDH and throughout my journey in Public Health. I have been able to find so much mentorship within the program that I plan to take with me into my future career in Public Health. This program has given me the tools and skill sets needed to be the best Public Health professional I can be." -Pricilla Pineda

"Throughout my time in the program, I have had the opportunity to explore new topics and participate in research while also gaining valuable skills I can apply in future careers. I believe that the knowledge and skills learned will help me better serve future patients as I move into the healthcare field." -Katie Warwick "I'm not fully sure what I expected coming into this program, but I am leaving this program with a strong passion for public health. The program has opened my eyes to all the different applications of public health, and I have felt so supported by my professors and peers throughout my time here and feel fully confident to take on the next steps." -Meredith Horton

"As my time in the MPH program is quickly coming to an end, I realize that these past two years have provided me with invaluable experiences that I will hold dearly for a lifetime. From learning practical knowledge, providing career experiences, and finding lifelong friends, this program creates a safe space where you can find your path under the guidance of exceptional faculty. Moving forward, I am confident of my ability to achieve great changes within public health using what I have learned throughout my studies!" -Rebeca Nieves

"The MPH program has helped me grow both professionally and personally. Everyone in the program is amazing! The faculty and staff truly care about the students and want to help us succeed. We are honestly like a family in this department which has been a truly unique experience and wonderful experience unlike any other that I have encountered in academia. I'm definitely going to miss everyone as I graduate and continue moving forward." -Sara Lyon

## **Congrats To Our PUBH Faculty!**

Congratulations to Drs. Russomanno, Jabson Tree, and Ehrlich for their wins at the annual CEHHS Faculty and Staff Awards!

Dr. Russomanno was awarded with the Dean's Award for NTT Faculty Focus on Student Success, Dr. Jabson Tree was awarded with the Faculty Mentoring Award, and Dr. Ehrlich was awarded the CEHHS Board of Advisors Faculty Support Award

for Excellence in Teaching!

These awards were much deserved!

