Commencement Ceremony

College of Graduate Health Studies
Class of 2020

May 29, 2020
COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

College of Graduate Health Studies

Class of 2020
President’s Message

Class of 2020 graduates, family, friends, and guests,

Welcome to College of Graduate Health Studies’ 2020 graduation ceremony. Today’s graduates earned their degrees through endless hours of challenging study, critical assessment, and a variety of clinic experiences.

On behalf of the University’s Board of Trustees, faculty, and staff, congratulations to each and every graduate on successfully achieving this life-changing milestone. While we celebrate your accomplishments through a virtual commencement this year, there is nothing virtual about the pride and admiration A.T. Still University, your families, and friends have for you. Eight months ago, no one heard of COVID-19, now it is almost all we hear about. Graduates, thank you for your perseverance, understanding, and compassion during the past six months. It would have been easy to give up, blame others, and complain. Instead, you made history. You rose above the distractions, supported others, volunteered, and completed the remainder of your educational requirements. Our communities, nation, and world thank you and humbly welcome your positive perspective, knowledge, and skills.

Founded in 1892 by Andrew Taylor Still, DO, as the American School of Osteopathy in Kirksville, Missouri, ATSU has grown to become a leading comprehensive health professions university with an additional residential campus in Mesa, Arizona. Dr. Still’s influence on healthcare and health professions education continues nationally and internationally.

Dr. Still sought to instill in students an appreciation for the autonomic nervous system’s influence on disease prevention and healing. Dr. Still believed our best chance for health and wellness required restoring the body’s structure and function using medications and surgery only when absolutely needed. Today, this seems essential and intuitive; however, in the late 1800s and early 1900s, his beliefs were met with disbelief and skepticism. Thankfully, Dr. Still’s philosophy continues as a foundational premise for all ATSU graduates to build upon throughout their careers.

Today, you will hear from leaders in health delivery and education, including College of Graduate Health Studies Dean Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA; ATSU Senior Vice President–Academic Affairs Norman Gevitz, PhD; and Gary M. Wiltz, MD, chair of ATSU’s Board of Trustees and CEO of Teche Action Clinic in southwest Louisiana. ATSU is grateful for their contributions.

Once again, congratulations graduates, and thank you, family members, friends, and guests, for your support.

Yours in service,

Craig M. Phelps, DO, ’84
President, A.T. Still University of Health Sciences
DEAN’S MESSAGE

During these unprecedented times for our university, cities, states, and country, we take this occasion to celebrate you—your hard work, perseverance, and dedication to pursue and complete your graduate program. You have succeeded! Enjoy this special day dedicated to you. Please take time to thank and celebrate with all of those who have helped you through this journey, including your family, friends, classmates, and College of Graduate Health Studies faculty and staff.

While your graduate education may have come to an end, your application of that new knowledge is just beginning. It is now time for you to take that new found knowledge and put it to good use. Take what you have learned and make a difference in your workplace, your life, and the lives of others.

Even though you leave us as a student, you are forever a part of the CGHS family. Please stay in contact. We would love to share the excitement of your many accomplishments.

Congratulations to the class of 2020!

Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA, ’12
Dean and Professor, College of Graduate Health Studies
A.T. Still University’s Mission

A.T. Still University of Health Sciences serves as a learning-centered university dedicated to preparing highly competent professionals through innovative academic programs with a commitment to continue its osteopathic heritage and focus on whole person healthcare, scholarship, community health, interprofessional education, diversity, and underserved populations.

A.T. Still University’s History

A.T. Still University of Health Sciences, established by Andrew Taylor Still, DO, in 1892, began as the founding college of osteopathic medicine. ATSU has grown from a single-discipline school on one campus in Kirksville, Missouri, to a multidiscipline health sciences university with six schools offering 23 health profession degrees on campuses in Kirksville, Missouri; Mesa, Arizona; and online.

ATSU instills within students the compassion, experience, and knowledge required to address the whole person and shape healthcare in communities where needs are greatest. Inspired to influence whole person healthcare, ATSU graduates improve individual and community health while leading with a selfless passion.
Commencement Speaker Biography

Gary M. Wiltz, MD

Gary M. Wiltz, MD, chair of A.T. Still University of Health Sciences’ Board of Trustees, is CEO of Teche Action Clinic, a network of 13 federally qualified community health centers (FQHCs) in southwest Louisiana. He was appointed CEO in May 2003 after serving as medical director since his arrival at Teche Action Clinic in 1982, as part of an obligated service to the National Health Service Corps (NHSC).

A native of New Orleans, Dr. Wiltz received his medical education at Tulane University School of Medicine and became a board-certified internist. He started his career at Teche Action Clinic, initially intending to fulfill his three-year obligation to NHSC and then return to his hometown to complete a nephrology fellowship at Tulane. However, his three-year NHSC commitment turned into a lifetime of service to people in the city of Franklin and state of Louisiana.

When Dr. Wiltz arrived at Teche Action Clinic, he inherited a clinic in a tenuous position. It had been without a doctor for six months and was at risk of being defunded and closed. Unless Teche Action Clinic turned its operations around, the seasonal migrant sugar cane workers, which the clinic was funded to take care of, would be forced to seek care 50-100 miles away. Dr. Wiltz realized this clinic and serving the underserved was his divine calling. Over the next 34 years, he helped to build what has been acknowledged as one of the nation’s premiere FQHCs. Teche Action Clinic has proudly grown from a staff of eight and an operating budget of $100,000 to employing 200 people with an operating budget of $20 million. Currently, the clinic serves more than 25,000 patients at 13 sites with one mobile unit.

In addition to his role at Teche Action Clinic, Dr. Wiltz serves as an assistant clinical professor of internal medicine at Tulane and Louisiana State University Schools of Medicine. He joined ATSU’s Board of Trustees in 2013 and was appointed board chair in 2018. Dr. Wiltz is past chair of the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC), which represents more than 9,000 clinics serving 28 million people nationwide. He has served as chair of the Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) of Louisiana and president of the Southwest AHEC; chair of the Louisiana Primary Care Association; and board member and chair of the National Advisory Council for NHSC. He also served on Health Care Transition Teams of former Louisiana Govs. Mike Foster and Kathleen Blanco and served as co-chair of the Health Care Transition Team of Gov. John Bel Edwards.

Among his many honors, Dr. Wiltz received NACHC’s 2018 John Gilbert Award, which recognizes people who have demonstrated a high level of excellence in the community healthcare field; was named Medical Director of the Year 1994-95 by the Louisiana Primary Care Association; and was selected as one of 10 national recipients of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s prestigious Community Health Leadership Award in 1996.
President’s Medallion Distinguished Service Award

The President’s Medallion Distinguished Service Award recognizes a community member for outstanding service and support to A.T. Still University of Health Sciences. Bestowed solely at the discretion of the University president, this award is ATSU’s only overarching award and is given to individuals who have positively impacted programs, students, faculty, and staff.

The President’s Medallion serves as a sign of vested authority in the University’s president. Its origin dates to the medallions worn by bishops and abbots as an official insignia of their defense of truth and dogma. Today’s American universities are derived from monastic and cathedral schools of Europe. The medallion design features the University seal with the perimeter of the medallion displaying the University’s name and date of its founding, 1892. The center shows a replica of the statue of Dr. A.T. Still, founder of the first osteopathic medical school.

2020 President’s Medallion Distinguished Service Award Recipient

Bonnie Bowles

For outstanding service to healthcare, the osteopathic profession, A.T. Still University, and Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine

Bonnie Bowles served the Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (MAOPS) for 28 years. Originally joining MAOPS as a meeting planner, she was promoted to associate executive director before becoming executive director. After her retirement, she served three additional years as director of MAOPS’ government relations.

Throughout her career with MAOPS, Bowles was committed to osteopathic medicine’s legislative and regulatory advocacy efforts. Bowles spent much of her time educating politicians and the public about osteopathic medicine. She traveled to colleges and residency programs across the state to provide information to students and residents about their professional association and advocacy efforts provided on their behalf. She initiated the DOc-A-Day program, where students and physicians visit the Capitol to educate legislators on healthcare issues and advocate for the osteopathic profession. Her efforts led to Missouri becoming the first state to pass legislation to require hospitals and other institutions to recognize osteopathic physicians’ degree and licensure.

During her years as executive director of MAOPS, she served as president of the Association of Osteopathic State Executive Directors and was the longest-serving board member of Missouri Patient Care Review Foundation. Her dedication to MAOPS earned her the organization’s Distinguished Service Award in 2011.

Past Recipients

2019
Thomas Curtin, MD
National Association of Community Health Centers

2018
Irvin Silverstein, DDS, MSEd
ORDER OF CEREMONY

Processional
“Pomp and Circumstance, Op. 39” by Sir Edward Elgar

Greeting
Norman Gevitz, PhD
Senior Vice President–Academic Affairs
A.T. Still University of Health Sciences

Commencement
George Blue Spruce, DDS, MPH
Assistant Dean and Assistant Professor
Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health

Blessing
“God Bless America”
Mai-Ly Duong, DMD, MPH, MEd, ’12
Associate Professor
Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health

Dean’s Welcome
Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA, ’12
and Presentation of
Dean and Professor
Commencement Speaker

Board of Trustees
Gary M. Wiltz, MD
Welcome and Chair, Board of Trustees
Commencement Address
A.T. Still University of Health Sciences

Presentation of
Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA
Candidates for Degree
Master of Health Administration

Conferring of Degree
Craig M. Phelps, DO, ’84
President
A.T. Still University of Health Sciences

Presentation of
Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA
Candidates for Degree
Master of Public Health

Conferring of Degree
Craig M. Phelps, DO

Presentation of
Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA
Candidates for Degree
Master of Science
in Kinesiology

Conferring of Degree
Craig M. Phelps, DO

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Presentation of Candidates for Degree
Doctor of Education in Health Professions
Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA

Conferring of Degree
Craig M. Phelps, DO

Presentation of Candidates for Degree
Doctor of Health Education
Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA

Conferring of Degree
Craig M. Phelps, DO

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Doctor of Health Education
Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA

Conferring of Degree
Craig M. Phelps, DO

Presentation of Candidates for Degree
Doctor of Health Administration
Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA

Conferring of Degree
Craig M. Phelps, DO

Presentation of Candidates for Degree
Doctor of Health Sciences
Don Altman, DDS, DHSc, EdD, MPH, MBA, MA

Conferring of Degree
Craig M. Phelps, DO

President’s Closing Remarks
Craig M. Phelps, DO

Recessional
“ Summon the Heroes” by John Williams

*Student participation in the commencement ceremony does not necessarily indicate completion of a degree program. The student must meet all University requirements before a degree is conferred.*
MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

The Master of Health Administration program at A.T. Still University is committed to healthcare management that emphasizes patient-centered care, based on our 125 years of experience in holistic health and our concern for the total patient. This program provides the core skills of business management in the context of the healthcare environment and provides students with knowledge and skills for a career in which they can make a better world by making a difference.

Candidates for Master of Health Administration

Zamra Amjid †
Alex J. Blackford
Amanda R. Butler
Daniel E. Ciminise *†
Kristin R. Compton *†
Jeromy Cronin *†
Brandy D. Davis †
Nicholas D. Germano *†
Tyson M. Grgurich †
Joshua J. Hoyt †
Aubrie J. Johnson *†

Seth T. Lagerhausen
Ayanna R. McGee †
Ryan M. Newman †
Ronna D. Owens †
Christian J. Park
Shaili Patel *†
Jeni Rogers *†
Monica Ross *†
Dana Schwartzberg †
Kacie J. Scott *†
Diamond M. Smith

* Student achieved a 4.0 GPA | † Member of Upsilon Phi Delta honor society
MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH

The Master of Public Health program prepares graduates to be leaders in the public health field. The focus of this program is to advance public health, promote individual and community health and well-being, and serve underrepresented populations in efforts to decrease health disparities locally, nationally, and globally. This master’s program is designed around a competency-based curriculum that closely aligns to high professional standards and incorporates applied and experiential learning activities. Our students graduate with the skills and knowledge necessary to excel in a wide range of public health professions, ready to facilitate change and promote health in all communities.

Candidates for Master of Public Health

Govend A. Ahmed
Katie E. Ashley *
Waldo N. Henriquez Barraza
Cory C. Batram
Terri L. Bell *†
Amy R. Billizon †
Lori N. Brookhouse
Janine N. Burkhardt *†
Komal K. Chattha *
Legofi Crawford
Jessica A. Daley *†
Bryan D. Dillon *†
Joseph Dumbuya *†
Travis B. Eagen *
Geraldine Edrei *
David M. Escobar
Jacob A. Fling *
Tiffany M. Foy *
Dwayne R. Gentry †
Crystal Herrington †
Shariefka M. Hillman
Haifaa M. Ibrahim †
Janelle I. Ibsen
Stephanie Joe
Jennifer V. Johnson
Meghan E. Jones
Afshan Khawaja *
Christine N. Leilabadi *†
Jason LeJander
Paul G. Lukavsky †
Rachel C. Lynn *†
Brenae Maddix
Erin E. Maruska *
Yarenni G. Mendoza †
Briana J. Miller
Sean A. Morin
Afraa A. Murriky †
Christopher F. Nano †

* Student achieved a 4.0 GPA  |  † Dental emphasis
Candidates for Master of Public Health, continued

Leann J. Napoleon
Robyn T. Naron *
Tahira S. Nash †
Sara S. Obid-Tomeh
Olawumi O. Okunade *
Alisa M. Orosco
Shreya N. Palyekar †
Ishaan S. Panjwani
Edna E. Victorio Pena *
Hillary K. Phillips
Keela N. Potter
Rocetia L. Robinson †
Maria Rodriguez *
Brigit M. Ryan
Jean R. Sanon †

Derek K. Smith †
Erik J. Smith **†
Shanel S. Solomon †
Lataza S. Stephens
Rachel R. Stewart **†
Vijayeswari Suram **†
Megan M. Thompson
Bryant C. Ukaigwe †
Fadra M. Whyte †
Sally S. William **†
Emily A. Winter
Pa C. Xiong
Matthew T. Zaborowski **†
Brooklyn M. Zumwalt-Buckhoy *

* Student achieved a 4.0 GPA  |  † Dental emphasis
**Master of Science in Kinesiology**

The Master of Science in Kinesiology program at A.T. Still University is a post-professional degree program designed to enable fitness, health, and wellness professionals with developing comprehensive knowledge of human movement science, functional anatomy, physiology, kinesiology, behavior change, functional assessment, and exercise program design. The key knowledge, skills, and attitudes learned aim to develop leadership in advanced human movement services.

**Candidates for Master of Science in Kinesiology**

Trevor G. Addison *
Obaidullah F. Ahmad
Katie E. Anderson
Colby T. Aragon
Jillian M. Ayson
Brandon T. Bailey *
Dylan T. Bailey
Angila D. Berni
Jordan N. Blake
Mathew Bonneau *
Hayley Bowden
Ashley N. Brezovsky *
Matthew Cabangun
Tara E. Collings
Sean C. Connors
Kathryn R. Conti
Philip A. Crochen
Cavin T. Currin
James Daniels
Kathleen Dobersztyn
Erin E. Egelhoff
Hayley N. Eglash *
Megan Evans *
Cameron S. Fraser *
Marcus R. Galvan *
Ernest J. Gamble *
Jeffrey George
Kathleen M. Gillespie
Alexander J. Gonzalez
Lisa Gorski *
Kaylin A. Gosack *
Walter M. Grandez
Bryonna M. Hall
Laurel D. Harris
Amber N. Hege
Caleb J. Heilman
Timothy J. Hildebrand
Taylor L. Hinds *
Larsen D. Holyoak
Ashley A. Janczewski *
Jacob Johnson *
Sam Karnya

* Student achieved a 4.0 GPA
Candidates for Master of Science in Kinesiology, continued

- Evan T. Kirk *
- Kathrine Kitzinger *
- Kelly N. Klotz
- Naomi R. Komisarjevsky *
- Aubrie A. Krause *
- Luvjot S. Kular *
- Liad Levi-Sadowsky *
- Frank Loffredo *
- Isabella R. Lopez *
- Dante Machado *
- Amy B. Mausser
- Stephen M. Maytan *
- Kladaisa McLaurin
- Sharon D. Michels *
- Sarah E. Moss
- Charles G. Moye
- Joel P. Muhlbach
- Thu Nguyen
- Thomas W. Oswald *
- Prince P. Padilla *
- Betty J. Pollock *
- Kyle Porter *
- Surabordin Prachumsri *
- Bruce V. Pruiett *
- Whitney A. Reese
- Adam W. Rusiewicz *
- James F. Russell *
- Michael J. Ryan *
- Michelle L. Sanchez
- Alyson N. Seibert
- Sean E. Shewman
- Matthew T. Shoun
- Paige Y. Smith
- Arash R. Valizadeh Soofiani
- Sara J. Steckman
- Tara Stross
- Atsuhiko Takei *
- Brandon M. Terrazas
- Areulior V. Thompson
- Stacy C. Tomlinson *
- Ashley L. Valenzuela
- Shaweta Vasudeva *
- Matthew J. Ward *
- Sarah M. White
- Jodi M. Wiley *
- Benjamin B. Williams
- Charles J. Young

* Student achieved a 4.0 GPA
Doctor of Education in Health Professions

The Doctor of Education in Health Professions program positions students for career success in the discipline of higher education curriculum and instruction with a focus on the education of healthcare professionals. This program is designed for practicing clinicians, healthcare educators, leaders, and directors who want to pursue their passion to teach. Students graduate with competence not only in teaching but in conducting educational research as well.

Candidates for Doctor of Education in Health Professions

Aaron G. Addison
Christopher T. Arick
Jillian T. Austin
Brandy A. Brooks
Laurie S. Coburn *
Sandra M. Coleman
Patricia J. Daskalos *
Amy C. Day
Kelley Deitemeyer
Paul E. Ganss
Tracy L. Glentz *
Risa B. Handman *
Kelly D. Haptonstall
Megan B. Haynes *
Carla J. Heffner *
Crystal D. Hendron *
John R. Imundi
Pamela V. Kays *
Lauren Kinser
Angela C. Kiselyk
Cynthia D. Lamon
Lucia A. Lopez *
Jennifer McCarthy *
Christina F. Melvin
Denise Mills *
Melissa J. Rivera
Wendy Schuh *
Amanda Selby *
Leslie C. Sloan
Michael E. Strickland
Erin E. Toth
Erin M. VanderBunt *
Lisa M. Welch *
Lisa G. Yazel *
Shannon N. Youngblood-Toler

* Student achieved a 4.0 GPA
DOCTOR OF HEALTH EDUCATION

The Doctor of Health Education program positions students for career success in the discipline of public health that is health education. Through this program, students examine the current state of health education and their individual roles and responsibilities within it. Students graduate with competence in the skills purported to be essential among health education specialists according to job analysis studies. With an advanced degree, graduates are prepared to apply their knowledge in developing, implementing, and evaluating health education in multiple contexts.

Candidates for Doctor of Health Education

Lynne Armstead *
Rita Austin
Richard Barnabus-Tumutende
Antoinette Coward
Patty Cross *
Veronica C.S. Foster *
Levi R. Garrett
Brittany L. Helmbrecht
Tanya Hills
Lesli R. McQuiston Lopez *
Tonya Price
Janyce Prier
Jennifer Sample
Tyler J. Thimson *
Erica G. Thomas
Chelsea N. Tibbetts

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DOCTOR OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

The Doctor of Health Administration program prepares health professionals to become innovative senior leaders and problem solvers within the healthcare industry. By blending the theoretical with the practical, the degree provides students with the holistic knowledge needed to improve and influence healthcare organizations. The program is designed to seamlessly integrate advanced business education that provides working healthcare professionals with advanced business strategies, innovative leadership insight, and understanding of research-based decision-making.

Candidates for Doctor of Health Administration

Angela Claytor  
Laurie Latvis *†  
Kryn McClain †  
Larry K. McReynolds †  
Heather M. Moore *†  
Bright Opoku-Amoabeng *†  
Annette L. Palm *†  
Lionel Player Jr. †  
Rosanna Thai  
Michael Thomas †  
Matthew J. Yarnell †

* Student achieved a 4.0 GPA  |  † Member of Upsilon Phi Delta honor society
DOCTOR OF HEALTH SCIENCES

The Doctor of Health Sciences program is a post-professional degree program designed for master’s- or doctorate-prepared healthcare professionals. The program provides healthcare professionals with knowledge and skills to excel in project management, decision-making, organizational management, establishing evidence-based standards, and gaining competencies for applying research to professional practice.

Candidates for Doctor of Health Sciences

Shiho Ando *
Annette Baker *
Britta C. Bernal *
Kyle Brashear *
Robert L. Brown
Brandon M. Chatfield
Angalar C. Chi
Chelauna N. Cosby
Rebecca L. Cupp *
Freeman Davis III
Mark A. DeHaro
Dawn M. DeYoung *
Darlla D. Duniphin
William H. Edmonds
Rebecca A. Fein *
Jobson Fourron
Lindsay B. Garr
Christopher Gizzi *
Elizabeth Glasser
Daniel Tamez Gonzalez *
Victor Grazette
Jennifer J. Grover
Cameron Halfacre
Tiffany Halfacre
Leonard Hardy
Brian Helander
Dorkesha Hill
Brittany A. Hout
Kalena K. Jones
Fedora Jones-Taylor
Kerrie J. Jordan *
Danielle N. Kronmuller-Harvey *
Emmanuelle Laguerre
David M. Larson *
Lisa A. Lavoie *
Jessica Lee *
Fallon E. Lotson *
Clair Lunt *
Maurice D. Masdeu
Larry L. Masterson *
Lianne P. Matthews *
Gary McKinney *

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Air Force
Rebecca L. Cupp
Freeman Davis III
Christopher Gizzi
Crystal Herrington
Kacie J. Scott
LaDina Ward
James L. White

Army
Annette Baker
Amanda R. Butler
William H. Edmonds
Jeffrey George
Joshua J. Hoyt
Maurice D. Masdeu
Gary McKinney
Ryan M. Newman
Salvador Ortiz III
Travis B. Osborne
Brian W. Stark
Michael Thomas

Coast Guard
Sam Karnya

Marine Corps
Cameron S. Fraser
Marcus R. Galvan

Navy
Sandra M. Coleman
Jerome Cronin
Victor Grazette
Brittany A. Hout
Bright Opoku-Amoabeng

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Dean, Arizona School of Health Sciences

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Dean, Missouri School of Dentistry & Oral Health

Jeffrey Morgan, DO, MA, FACOI, CS  
Dean, School of Osteopathic Medicine in Arizona

Robert M. Trombly, DDS, JD  
Dean, Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health

Margaret Wilson, DO, ’82  
Dean, Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine
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# Academic Regalia

The origins of academic regalia date back to the start of higher education in the 12th century. Today, master’s- and doctorate-level graduates are presented with hoods during the commencement ceremony. The hood serves as the most symbolic part of the academic regalia representing the graduate’s level of degree, field of discipline, and institution. The master’s hood is 3 feet, 6 inches long and has a 3-inch-wide velvet trim. The doctorate hood is longer at 4 feet in length and has a 5-inch-wide velvet trim. The color of the velvet trim declares the major field of learning. Colors lining the hood are visible from the back and identify the university granting the degree.

**ATSU hood lining** ........ Light blue

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“I learned the lesson and it was the most valuable lesson of my life, that one’s brain is his only reliance. It is a judge that will give a carefully studied opinion to me.”

A.T. Still, DO
“I am simply trying to teach you what you are; to get you to realize your right to health, and when you see the cures wrought here, after all other means have failed, you can but know that the foundation of my work is laid on Nature’s rock.”

A.T. Still, DO
“In conclusion, I want to say that I extend my love to all persons who by word or act have encouraged the unfolding of the science of osteopathy. . . . I thank you one and all from the inner depths of my soul and I wish each of you Godspeed.”

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