



CLASS OF 2019 PROFILE OF GRADUATES

MD, PHD, NA, PA

Albany Medical College offers a broad and balanced curriculum for our diverse body of students. It is our pleasure to highlight these select graduates of the Class of 2019 who shared something significant they learned about themselves while at Albany Medical College:

QUINCY B. BROWN, MD '19



HOMETOWN: NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y.

DEGREE PURSUED: DOCTOR OF MEDICINE

WHAT'S NEXT?: INTERNAL MEDICINE RESIDENCY AT BROWN UNIVERSITY, AND POSSIBLY A FELLOWSHIP IN PULMONARY/CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE.

I've learned that I have a passion for teaching. Albany Medical College promotes a collegial environment that encourages all, regardless of level of training/education, to serve as teachers and learners at the same time. I've benefitted much from this, and plan to be involved in education throughout my career.

BRENNAN D. GERLACH, PHD '19



HOMETOWN: FISHKILL, N.Y.

DEGREE PURSUED: DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR PHYSIOLOGY

WHAT'S NEXT?: POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IRVING MEDICAL CENTER, NEW YORK, N.Y.

Over the past six years at Albany Medical College, I have come to recognize and appreciate that with science it is okay not having all the answers. This level of acceptance of the unknown helps push you to ask questions that are "outside the box," which eventually can lead to big discoveries. Perseverance is key to science and made easier when you surround yourself with an excellent community of colleagues and collaborators that make the whole experience worth it.

EMILY L. HESS, MS, PA '19



HOMETOWN: CLIFTON PARK, N.Y.

DEGREE PURSUED: MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES

WHAT'S NEXT?: I WILL BE STARTING MY CAREER AS A FAMILY MEDICINE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT IN SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y.

My time at Albany Med has taught me many invaluable lessons. I discovered the best way to grow and learn is to go outside my comfort zone and jump feet first into every opportunity. Doing so has given me the knowledge and confidence necessary to be an effective provider. I also learned the importance of a strong support system and not being afraid to ask for help. And—with enough enthusiasm and passion—I can accomplish anything I put my mind to. I found a career that I love and am so grateful for my Albany Med education that allows me to pursue my passion.

CATHERINA L. STEVENS, MS, NA '19



HOMETOWN: ROTTERDAM, N.Y.

DEGREE PURSUED: MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSE ANESTHESIOLOGY

WHAT'S NEXT?: COMPLETING MY RESIDENCY IN FALL 2019, STARTING MY NEW CAREER AND SPENDING QUALITY TIME WITH MY FAMILY.

Albany Medical College has given me a tremendous opportunity for growth. The outstanding faculty challenged me to do my best, and I now realize I am far more determined than I ever thought I could be. I am truly appreciative of the educators and mentors whose commitment to my education have guided and sustained me in my journey.