



COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

*Winter
Commencement
Ceremony*



2 p.m.

Saturday, December 14, 2019



André and Clara Mertens Theater
Arnold Bernhard Arts & Humanities Center
Bridgeport, Connecticut

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President's Message

Dear Graduates,

It is with great pleasure and pride that I welcome you to the College of Health Sciences Commencement ceremony.

Today is a special day. Today marks the conclusion of one journey and the beginning of another. As you walk across the stage to receive your degree, either a Master of Science in Acupuncture or a Doctor of Chiropractic, and recite your professional oath, remember that each of your unique experiences led you to this moment. For many of you, this achievement was undoubtedly hard-fought and hard-earned. The many miles you traveled to earn this degree are cause for both reflection and celebration.

From completing many clinical hours above and beyond your hours in the classroom, to attending class after a full and trying day of work or on the weekend, to finishing your coursework at the kitchen table after you put your children to bed, the ways in which you demonstrated your ability to adapt and persevere in pursuit of your degree warrants both praise and recognition.

By entering the healthcare field, you are pursuing a career in which a patient's dignity, quality of life, and quality of care are inherent in your daily work. As you move forward and take the next steps in your professional journey, do not forget or lose sight of how your path can inform your empathy and how you treat patients in your care. The University of Bridgeport has prepared you well with a comprehensive and applied education—one that will serve you, and others, no matter which direction you choose to travel.

Today, with degree in hand, you make the rightful passage from student to alum. On behalf of the entire University of Bridgeport community, we applaud and congratulate you on your graduation from the College of Health Sciences.

Sincerely yours,

Laura Mandua Trombley

Laura Skandera Trombley
President

Dean's Message

This continues to be a time of significant growth and advancement of the University of Bridgeport College of Health Sciences. Growth and development of our academic programs and clinical infrastructure and the increasing number of patients cared for at the *UB Clinics* (exceeding 18,000 annually in the on-campus Health Sciences Center, and thousands more seen by UB faculty, interns and residents in many off-campus clinical sites to include the VA Medical Center, regional hospitals and Federally Qualified Healthcare Centers). This would not have been possible without our incredible students, faculty and program administrators.

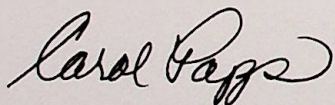
Today, we are proud to have Dr. Stephen Perle as our commencement speaker. As a tenured professor in the School of Chiropractic, he has taught a variety of courses including ethics, biomechanics, evidence-based practice, manipulation, and soft tissue treatment methods. Dr. Perle is President of the Faculty Council, Coordinator of UB China programs, and director of the UB-China Advanced Research Institute. He is a prolific author and speaks both regionally and nationally in the field of chiropractic. He has presented at numerous conferences in Israel, South Africa, England, Australia, France and China.

We are honored Dr. Perle is joining us and participating in our Commencement today as we gather to celebrate the 2019 graduates from the Acupuncture Institute and the School of Chiropractic. These newest of healthcare providers have shown tremendous dedication and perseverance during their studies and clinical training, and are now ready to help meet the significant challenges of today's healthcare environment.

Those family members and loved ones who supported today's graduates throughout their time in school were integral to each graduate's success and we celebrate you today as well.

On behalf of the Schools and Institutes of the University of Bridgeport, College of Health Sciences, I congratulate you and wish you the best of success.

Sincerely,



Carol Papp
Dean, College of Health Sciences

Commencement Speaker

STEPHEN M. PERLE, D.C., M.S.,
ICSC, FICC, FRCC(UK)

Commencement Speaker

Professor of Clinical Sciences

*School of Chiropractic
University of Bridgeport*



Dr. Perle joined the inaugural faculty of the University of Bridgeport School of Chiropractic in 1991. He is a Professor of Clinical Sciences, having taught a wide range of chiropractic courses as well as teaching undergraduate and graduate courses for other programs at the University. After graduation from Texas Chiropractic College in 1983 he practiced specializing in sports chiropractic in New York City until 1991. Dr. Perle currently serves as the Research Commission Chair and the North American Representative to the Executive Council of the *Fédération Internationale de Chiropratique du Sport* (FICS – International Federation of Sports Chiropractic). From FICS, he was recognized as a Internationally Certified Sports Chiropractor (ICSC). Dr. Perle is a Fellow of the International College of Chiropractic and the Royal College of Chiropractors (UK). Dr. Perle has published more than a half dozen textbook chapters and over 40 peer reviewed publications. He has been an associate editor of *Chiropractic & Manual Therapies*. He is a founding member of the Board of Directors of the Consortium of Evidence-Informed Practice Educators. In 2004, Dr. Perle was honored as the American Chiropractic Association's Academic of the Year and has twice received an ACA Presidential Leadership Award. He is the chairperson of ACA's Research Advisory Board. In 2018, Dr. Perle was the ACA's McAndrews Leadership Lecturer. Next semester he will be on sabbatical writing the 4th edition of the standard textbook *Chiropractic Technique: Principles and Procedures* to be published again by Mosby.

Program Participants

❖ THE GRAND MARSHAL

Stephen M. Perle, D.C.
School of Chiropractic

❖ THE DEGREE CANDIDATES

Acupuncture Institute
School of Chiropractic

❖ THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES FACULTY

❖ THE PLATFORM PARTY

President of the University
Laura Skandera Trombley, Ph.D.

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Stephen F. Healey, Ph.D.

Dean, College of Health Sciences
Carol Papp, D.N.P.

Associate Dean, College of Health Sciences
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Michael Ciolfi, D.C.

University Registrar
Carmen Rosa

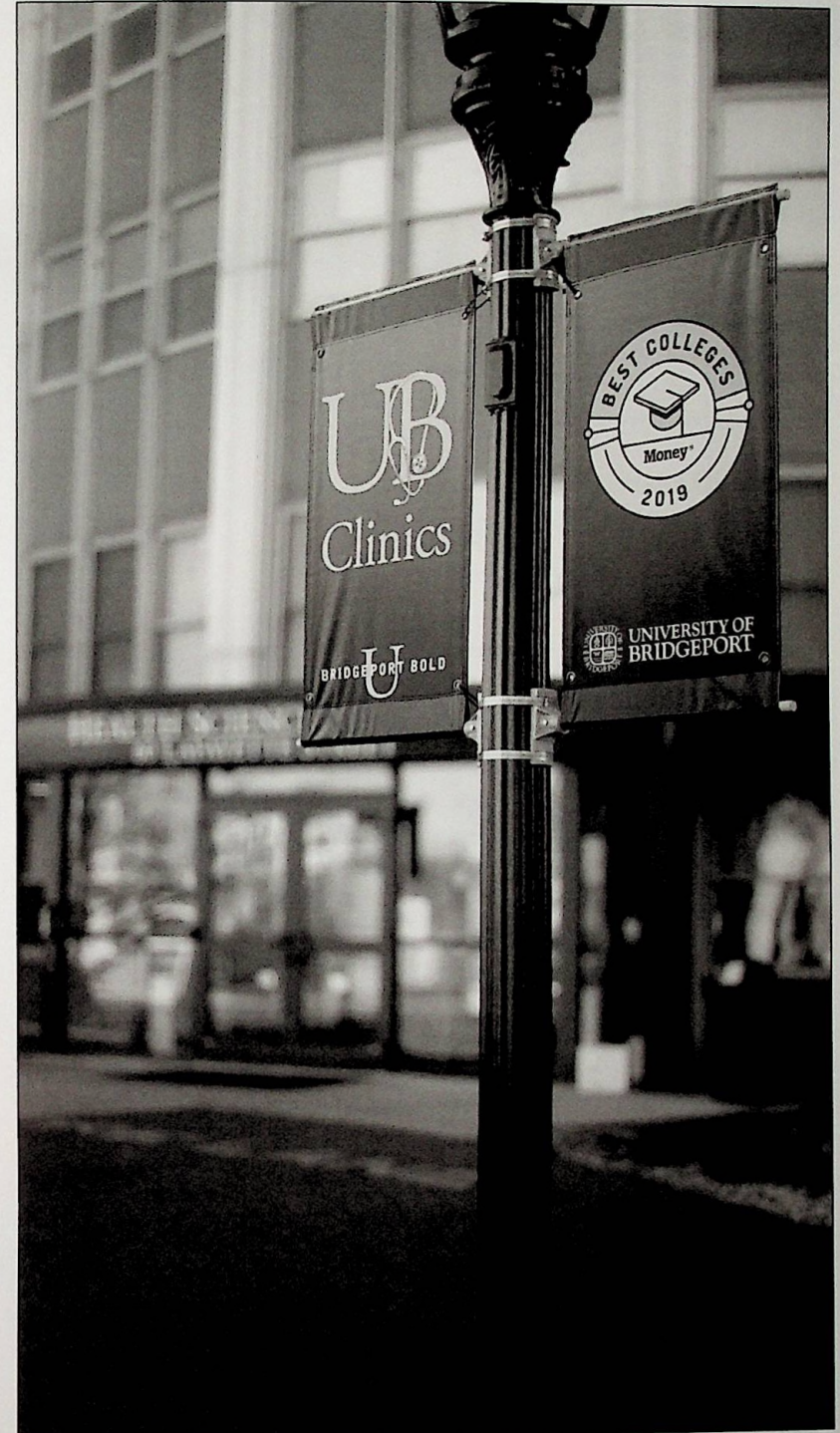
Academic Directors, Faculty and Administrators

David Brady, N.D.
Jennifer Brett, N.D.
Camie Lettieri
Marion Manski
Marcia Prenguber, N.D.
Paul Sherman, D.C.
Lauren Weindling

Commencement Speaker
Stephen M. Perle, D.C.

Mace Bearer
Matthew Funk, D.C.
School of Chiropractic

Pastor
Sister Betty Hill
Mount Aery Baptist Church



Order of Exercises

PRELUDE

Selections from *Water Music* George Friedrich Handel (1685-1759)

Prelude from *Te Deum* Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1643-1704)

THE PROCESSIONAL*

Pomp And Circumstance March in D, Op. 39 No. 1 Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Trio: "Land of Hope and Glory"

GRAND MARSHAL*

Stephen M. Perle, D.C.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM*

Jimi Charlotte Han

Accompanied by the brass ensemble

INVOCATION*

Sister Betty Hill, *Mount Aery Baptist Church*

WELCOME

President Laura Skandera Trombley, Ph.D.

THE STAGE PARTY

Presented by Provost F. Stephen Healey, Ph.D.

THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Stephen M. Perle, D.C.

PRESENTATION OF THE DEGREE CANDIDATES AND ADMINISTERING OF THE OATHS

Dean Carol Papp, D.N.P.

Acupuncture Institute

Master of Science in Acupuncture Degree

Presented by Director Jennifer Brett, N.D.

Names announced by Charles Ford

*Audience Stands

Order of Exercises

Acupuncturist Oath

Administered by Director Jennifer Brett, N.D.

School of Chiropractic

Doctor of Chiropractic Degree

Presented by Director Michael Ciolfi, D.C.

Names announced by Anthony Onorato, D.C.

Chiropractic Physician Oath

Administered by Emmett Hughes, D.C.

THE CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES

President Laura Skandera Trombley, Ph.D.

ALMA MATER*

Jimi Charlotte Han

Accompanied by the brass ensemble

Alma Mater, a toast to thee!

Pledge our honor, our loyalty.

Golden memories of days serene,

Golden seasons, familiar scenes,

From the ocean, far 'cross the land.

Our noble College will proudly stand.

Bonds will keep us forever true.

Alma Mater, Bridgeport U.

Lyrics by Al Dickason / Music by Harold Dart
Collaborated in 1953

THE RECESSIONAL

Trumpet Tune

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Brass Ensemble

Scott Cranston, *Trombone*; Garrett Mendez, *Bass Trombone*;

Richard Clymer, *Trumpet*; Steve Perrett, *Trumpet*

*Audience Stands

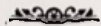
University Honors

HONORS IN COURSE

Graduation summa cum laude, magna cum laude or cum laude is determined on the basis of a student's cumulative quality point ratio, based on the first seven semesters. These honors are conferred by the cognizant faculty on those students who complete all graduation requirements as stated in the University regulations and meet the established standards.

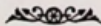
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Andrea Bruce
Suselene Kreibich
Robert Nencheck



MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Michael Kolotinsky
Christopher Wuttke
Karolina Zagaja



CUM LAUDE

Ashleigh Berg
Justin Davis
Kyung Joon Kim
Kali P. Olsen

Graduates

UNIVERSITY OF BRIDGEPORT ACUPUNCTURE INSTITUTE

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ACUPUNCTURE

Andrea Bruce
Michael Kolotinsky
Suselene Kreibich
Kali P. Olsen
Karolina Zagaja

ACUPUNCTURIST OATH

I solemnly promise to practice the profession of acupuncture and Traditional Chinese medicine, to utilize the methods of diagnosis and treatment as taught by my teachers, and to apply the methods of treatment which, according to my best judgment, I consider beneficial to the health of my patients.

I will honor my instructors and all who have developed and preserved the knowledge and art of Traditional Chinese medicine. I will strive to further my understanding of health and pass on this knowledge to others.

I will conduct my practice with integrity and free from prejudice.

I will at all times treat my patients with dignity and keep confidential all things revealed to me as a practitioner of the healing arts.

Before this gathering of witnesses, I hereby affirm that I will remain true to this oath.

Graduates

UNIVERSITY OF BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL OF CHIROPRACTIC

DOCTOR OF CHIROPRACTIC

Hasan Awan	David Karbowski	Michael Solla
Ashleigh Berg	Ian Keyser	Stefanie Tropea
Jasmine Bhoola	Kyung Joon Kim	Chung Sung Wright
Justin Davis	Brandon McLane	Christopher Wuttke
Michael Dispenziere	Robert Nencheck	Vincent Zappola
William Goff	Jaesung Park	
Alexis Kantor	Prescott Perry	

CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIAN OATH

I do hereby affirm before God and these assembled witnesses that I will keep this oath and stipulation.

To hold in esteem and respect those who taught me the Chiropractic healing art; to follow the methods of treatment which according to my ability and judgement I consider for the benefit of my patients; to abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous; to stand ready at all times to serve my fellow man without distinction of race, creed or color.

With purity I will pass my life and practice my art; I will at all times consider the patients under my care as of supreme importance; I will not spare myself in rendering them help which I have been taught to give by my Alma Mater; I will keep inviolate all things revealed to me as a physician.

While I continue to keep this oath unviolated, may it be granted to me to enjoy life and the practice of the Chiropractic healing art, respected by all people at all times.

*Adopted by the Council on Chiropractic Education
January 1972*

University Leadership

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Assistant Provost & Director, The Bridgeport Plan

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& MS-CH
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Adjunct Associate Professor

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Adjunct Associate Professor

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Adjunct Associate Professor

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Adjunct Clinical Professor

Joshua Shain
Assistant Clinical Professor

Jennifer Weiss
Adjunct Clinical Professor



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Assistant Professor

Kristine DeMarco, D.C.
Adjunct Assistant Professor

Douglas DeMassa, D.C.
Adjunct Assistant Professor

Mathew DiMond, D.C.
Assistant Professor

Martin Donnelly, D.C.
Adjunct Assistant Professor

Matthew Funk, D.C.
Associate Professor

Christopher Good, D.C.
Professor

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Adjunct Assistant Professor

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Adjunct Assistant Professor

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Associate Professor

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Adjunct Assistant Professor

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Clinical Education
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Adjunct Assistant Professor

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Professor

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Professor

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Adjunct Assistant Professor

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Adjunct Assistant Professor

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Associate Director of Academic
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Associate Professor

Margaret Tabor, D.C.
Adjunct Associate Professor

David Terfera, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Basic
Sciences

Diane Terlaga
Adjunct Instructor

Anthony Tortorella, D.C.
Adjunct Assistant Professor

Pamela Tunnell, D.C.
Associate Professor

Michele Widmeier, D.C.
Adjunct Assistant Professor

Frank Zolli, D.C.
Professor & Founding Dean



ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF BRIDGEPORT

The University of Bridgeport is one of America's unique institutions of higher learning. We are the home of the Purple Knights, located the City of Parks. Established in 1927, the University of Bridgeport has cared for students, their future, and the city for which we are named. Our front door is Long Island Sound, and the three-mile pristine, oceanfront Seaside Park is a place where local community members and students alike enjoy the natural splendor of coastal New England.

Our students come from across the United States and around the globe. Many join us from our surrounding Connecticut communities, New York, and New Jersey. Their backgrounds are as multifaceted as are their interests. University of Bridgeport students share a passion for discovery, exploration, and most importantly, put knowledge to practical use. They are bold and fearless—breaking boundaries and working across our rigorous and career-focused curriculum.

The University of Bridgeport is a national university with a commitment to cultivating and educating global leaders for the careers of tomorrow. The University's three colleges: the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Health Sciences, and the College of Engineering, Business, and Education are uniquely structured so that every student receives strong academic preparation and experiences small class sizes and learning environments designed to foster their greatest potential. *U.S. News & World Report* recognized the University of Bridgeport as 119th in its inaugural ranking of top performers for social mobility.

The University is a community that celebrates its global and diverse students and scholars—who hail from across the United States and around the globe. According to *U.S. News & World Report*, the University of Bridgeport is the 39th most ethnically diverse national university, and the #1 most diverse private institution in New England. Students benefit from the experiences of a global and rich campus environment that fosters engagement across differences and contributes to personal development. Activities such as intramurals, team sports, student government, Model U.N., choir, community service, and countless off-campus excursions, ensure that students have access to many opportunities that help them to find their place and voice in a community of supportive faculty and administrators.



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