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Commencement

2026

MARSHALL B. KETCHUM UNIVERSITY

School of PA Studies &
Doctor of Medical Science Program

Friday, November 6, 2026 | 10:00 A.M.

MARSHALL B. KETCHUM
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1904

A STORIED HISTORY

ABOUT MARSHALLL B. KETCHUM UNIVERSITY

In 1904, Dr. Marshall B. Ketchum, a pharmacist and physician began a school in Los Angeles, California with the humble mission of teaching students how to refract and fit glasses to help people see better. His commitment to compassion, innovation and excellence set the highest standards for the field. With a deep responsibility to students, patients and the community, the University's vital role in shaping the best and brightest minds in health care lives on.

In 2009, under the leadership of President Kevin L. Alexander, the campus responded to the changing face of health care with the decision to add other health care programs. To accommodate new programs, the University was established in 2013, and named after Marshall B. Ketchum. The result is a model institution immersing students in an interprofessional environment and expecting the highest quality of care and discovery from every student who passes through our doors.

Today, Marshall B. Ketchum University is leading a momentous change in health care education. Each student optometrist, PA or pharmacist has the ability and opportunity and work together to positively affect the lives of those seeking health care. In this way, our institution remains dedicated to providing only the highest level of education preparing students for the interprofessional delivery of health care.

To the PA and DMSc Class of 2026, welcome to your new opportunity to contribute as health care providers, alumni mentors and proud believers in the value of your Marshall B. Ketchum University education.

The future is expecting you.

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ORDER of EXERCISE

1 **PRELUDE**

2 **PROCESSIONAL**

Pomp and Circumstance
Sir Edward Elgar

3 **WELCOME**

Julie A. Schornack
President of the University, Presiding Official

4 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Benjamin Stein
Class of 2026 CAPA Representative

5 **INTRODUCTIONS AND CONGRATULATIONS**

President Julie A. Schornack

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6 **MESSAGE FROM THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR**

Daniel May, MD

7 **THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS**

Brett A. Bergman, MBA, MPA, PA-C, DFAAPA

8 **CLASS OF 2026 GRADUATE ADDRESS**

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9 **PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE MASTER OF MEDICAL SCIENCE DEGREE AND PA CERTIFICATE**

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10 **CONFERRING OF THE MASTER OF MEDICAL SCIENCE DEGREE AND THE PA CERTIFICATES**

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11 PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE DOCTORATE OF MEDICAL SCIENCE DEGREE

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12 CONFERRING OF THE DOCTORATE OF MEDICAL SCIENCE DEGREE

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13 ADMINISTRATION OF THE PA OATH

Amanda May, MMS, PA-C, '20

Class of 2026 graduates are requested to stand and recite the pledge by reading aloud. PAs in attendance today are invited to stand and take this opportunity to reaffirm "The PA Oath" together with today's PA degree recipients. The Oath is located on the back cover of today's program.

14 REMARKS TO GRADUATES

President Julie A. Schornack

15 RECESSIONAL

The Arrival of the Queen of Sheba
George Frideric Handel

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ACADEMIC REGALIA



The academic gowns that you see today represent a tradition that we inherited from the universities of the Middle Ages. Those institutions were founded by the church; and the students, being clerics, were obliged to wear their clerical gowns and caps at all times. Through the ages, these regalia were altered to accommodate both fashion and fancy.

In the United States, academic gowns are usually black, but the way they are worn and their cut distinguishes the wearer's academic degree. The bachelor's gown is worn closed; the master's and doctor's gown may be worn open or closed. Also, the sleeves of the gowns are shaped differently according to the level of degree: a bachelor's gown has long, pointed sleeves; a master's gown has oblong sleeves that are square in the back and have an arc cut away in the front; and a doctor's gown has bell-shaped sleeves. In addition, velvet panels and chevrons, either in black or the color representing the academic discipline, distinguish doctoral gowns.

The mortarboards or tams for all degree holders are black. The tassels attached to the mortarboards can be black, the color that the individual academic disciplines choose to represent their field, or in the case of faculty, gold. The hood is the most outstanding and colorful feature of the regalia. It is lined with the colors of the institution from which the wearers received their degrees. Its size and shape indicate the wearer's degree; and its collar is the color of the academic discipline.

Kelly green is the color used by PA. Optometry wears seafoam green. Pharmacy uses olive green. The colors are used for both the tassel and the velvet trim on the hood. The purple and gold satin lining of the hood represents the traditional colors of Marshall B. Ketchum University.

Along with the degree holder being identified by gown style and hood color, the holder is further identified by his place in the procession. Those having the highest faculty seniority are always positioned at the end of the processional.

UNIVERSITY MACE

Colleges and universities often employ a "mace" to connect the institution's customs with the best traditions of higher education dating to the first universities founded during the Middle Ages. A mace symbolizes authority, learning and scholarship, history, reputation and values. It suggests commemoration, elegance, honor, pageantry, purpose, quality, solemnity, stability and continuity.

HONORED GUEST

BRETT A. BERGMAN, MBA, MPA, PA-C, DFAAPA



Mr. Bergman is a physician assistant and healthcare executive who has dedicated his career to clinical excellence, leadership, and advocacy. He is currently the Senior Clinical Director for Advanced Practice Providers (APPs) at Kaiser Permanente Southern California. In this role, Brett oversees the strategic planning, development, and practice implementation of over 900 physician assistants, as well as nurse practitioners, nurse anesthetists, and nurse-midwives. He is particularly focused on how health systems can best optimize their workforce while navigating the intricate regulatory environment that governs modern medicine.

Mr. Bergman graduated from Loma Linda University's Physician Assistant program in 2013. While at Loma Linda University, he was dual-enrolled and completed his Post-baccalaureate Certificate in Bioethics. He then completed his MBA in 2021, with an emphasis in Healthcare Management, and is now in his final year of law school. Brett is a frequent guest lecturer at numerous physician assistant programs on clinical ethics and professional practice, and he produces rigorous scholarship on issues at the intersection of medicine and the law. He has been recognized as a Distinguished Fellow of the American Academy of PAs (2025), Alumnus of the Year for Loma Linda University (2025), and an Honorary Inductee into the Pi Alpha National Honor Society for PAs (2020).

His aptitude for health law and policy is further demonstrated by his tenure as President and official spokesperson for the California Academy of PAs (CAPA). In this leadership capacity, he navigated the modernization of California's statutory practice act (Sen. Bill 697, 2019) and led stakeholder discussions with the Physician Assistant Board regarding complex regulatory proposals. During the COVID-19 pandemic, he advocated for multiple executive orders that removed regulatory barriers, ensuring the physician assistant workforce could respond effectively to the public health crisis.

Mr. Bergman currently lives in Orange County with his wife, who is a neonatal ICU nurse, and their three children. In his spare time, he loves spending time outdoors with his family and volunteers as a Ski Patroller.

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PA PROFESSIONAL OATH

I PLEDGE TO PERFORM THE FOLLOWING DUTIES WITH HONESTY, INTEGRITY, AND DEDICATION, REMEMBERING ALWAYS THAT MY PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY IS TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND DIGNITY OF ALL HUMAN BEINGS:

I recognize and promote the value of diversity and I will treat equally all persons who seek my care.

I will uphold the tenets of patient autonomy, beneficence, non-maleficence, justice, and the principle of informed consent.

I will hold in confidence the information shared with me in the course of practicing medicine, except where I am authorized to impart such knowledge.

I will be diligent in understanding both my personal capabilities and my limitations, striving always to improve my practice of medicine.

I will actively seek to expand my intellectual knowledge and skills, keeping abreast of advances in medical art and science.

I will work with other members of the health care team to assure compassionate and effective care of patients.

I will uphold and enhance community values and use the knowledge and experience acquired as a PA to contribute to an improved community.

I will respect my professional relationship with physicians and other members of the healthcare team.

I recognize my duty to perpetuate knowledge within the profession.

THESE DUTIES ARE PLEDGED WITH SINCERITY AND ON MY HONOR.