

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
Sacramento, CA

4TH ANNUAL
BLACK MEDICAL
STUDENT
GRADUATION

15 May 2026 • 5:30 PM
The Guild Theater

EVENT FLOW

WELCOME

Chelsea Adwere-Boatwaa & Demond Rodgers
Class of 2027

PROCESSIONAL

Graduates & Dr. Kayla Alexander

LIBATION CEREMONY

Dr. Ebony Miles
Chief Strategy Officer, UC Davis

BLACK NATIONAL ANTHEM

Dr. Aseem Kelly
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STUDENT SPEAKER

Dr. Sofanit Shiferaw
Class of 2026

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Ruth Shim
Director of Cultural Psychiatry, UC Davis

SENIOR AWARDS

Dr. Warren Strudwick Dr. Katrina Peters
Physicians Medical Forum National Medical Association

Dr. Al Brooks Dr. Stacie Walton
Physicians Medical Forum Capital Medical Society

PRESENTATION OF THE GRADUATES

Dr. Elise Harris
Associate Physician of Internal Medicine, UC Davis

Dr. Marcia Faustin
*Associate Clinical Professor of Family & Sports
Medicine, UC Davis*

CLOSING

Chelsea Adwere-Boatwaa & Demond Rodgers
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THE NEW DOCS

CLASS OF 2026

Cica Akpovi, MD	Family Medicine
Kaili Rochelle Barnes, MD	OBGYN
Masani Coley, MD	OBGYN
Rebeka Dejenie, MD	General Surgery
Lucas Johnson, MD	Family Medicine
Michael Juma, MD	Emergency Medicine
Aseem Kelly, MD	Psychiatry
Araiye Medlock, MD	General Surgery
Oyinlola Monifa Sawyerr, MD	Psychiatry
Sofanit Shiferaw, MD	Pediatrics
Zena L. Simmons, MD	Internal Medicine
Aliyah Walker, MD	Orthopaedic Surgery
Briahni Walker, MD	Internal Medicine
Aidan Waugh, MD	Family Medicine
Julian Wilson, MD	Internal Medicine

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