

Graduating Distinction Track Students Honored

UA College of Medicine – Tucson Class of 2017 students who completed the Integrative Medicine Distinction Track were recognized at a luncheon.

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Tucson, Ariz. – Graduates from the University of Arizona College of Medicine – Tucson who successfully completed a distinction track during medical school recently were honored at a luncheon hosted by the University of Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine (UACIM).

Among those in attendance were 13 graduates who completed the Integrative Medicine Distinction Track (IMDT) developed by the UACIM. The track features online modules covering fundamental aspects of integrative health care and allows medical students to study and explore independently. Students in the Class of 2017 who completed the IMDT include **Stefanie Brichta**, **Ellie Conser**, **Blake Gibson**, **Laurel Kittrell**, **Coya Lindberg**, **Thomas Lotina**, **Marci Macaraeg**, **Elyse Muratore**, **Wendy Reeve**, **Atlantis Russ**, **Jodi Solway** and **Prita Tandyasraya**.

"These students have made a commitment to enhance their working knowledge of integrative medicine while in the midst of a rigorous medical school curriculum," noted **Randy Horwitz**, **MD**, **PhD**, director of the



Dr. Patricia Lebensohn (middle row, third from left), director of the UACIM Integrative Medicine in Residency, with Integrative Medicine Distinction Track 2017 graduates.

Integrative Medicine Distinction Track and UACIM medical director. "They have the intellect, drive and passion to become the next generation of caring, compassionate and skilled physicians. We are thrilled at their accomplishments; they are assets to the field of integrative medicine."

UACIM Executive Director **Victoria Maizes**, **MD**, lauded the accomplishments, "We are so proud of our distinction track students in integrative medicine. They pursued their passion to enhance the health of their patients by completing a robust set of requirements to graduate with this honor."

The IMDT is just one of many online educational offerings developed by UACIM, including the flagship Fellowship in Integrative Medicine.

For more information about the Integrative Medicine Distinction Track, visit <u>www.azcim.org/imdt</u>

About the University of Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine

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About the University of Arizona Health Sciences

The University of Arizona Health Sciences is the statewide leader in biomedical research and health professions training. The UA Health Sciences includes the UA Colleges of Medicine (Phoenix and Tucson), Nursing, Pharmacy and Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health, with main campus locations in Tucson and the growing Phoenix Biomedical Campus in downtown Phoenix. From these vantage points, the UA Health Sciences reaches across the state of Arizona and the greater Southwest to provide cutting-edge health education, research, patient care and community outreach services. A major economic engine, the UA Health Sciences employs almost 5,000 people, has nearly 1,000 faculty members and garners more than \$126 million in research grants and contracts annually. For more information: <u>http://uahs.arizona.edu</u>. Follow us: <u>Facebook | Twitter | YouTube | LinkedIn</u>

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