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Salus at Drexel University Hosts 2024 White Coat Ceremony

A rite of passage for aspiring healthcare professionals, the White Coat Ceremony welcomes first-year students to Salus at Drexel University.

Elkins Park, Pa. - Salus at Drexel University will host its 2024 White Coat Ceremonies on Wednesday, August 14, 2024 where 336 first-year students will receive their white coats for the start of the new semester and their healthcare journey, a total of more than 390 students will enter this fall.

In the medical and healthcare professions, the White Coat Ceremony represents the transition from student to professional in training as first-year students receive their white coat – a symbol of the profession. All students in the University's clinical programs, including optometry, audiology, physician assistant studies, occupational therapy, speech-language pathology, and orthotics and prosthetics degree programs, receive a white coat.

WHO: Special remarks will be given by Dr. Michael H. Mittelman, president of Salus at Drexel University.

First-year students at Salus at Drexel University

WHAT: Salus at Drexel hosts a White Coat Ceremony for students to mark the start of the school year and the transition from student to professional in training.

WHERE: Hafter Student Community Center, Salus at Drexel University (rear of campus, near Breyer Drive)
50 Breyer Drive, Elkins Park, Pennsylvania, 19027

WHEN: Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2024; the White Coat Ceremonies will be divided into three sessions:

9:30 - 10:30 a.m: Occupational Therapy, Physician Assistant Studies and Orthotics & Prosthetics programs

11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m: Speech-Language Pathology, Optometry Traditional (alpha A through L) and Global, Interprofessional, and Specialized Programming programs

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m: Audiology, Advanced Placement Optometry, Optometry Traditional (alpha L through Z), and the Optometry Accelerated Scholars programs

About Salus at Drexel University

Salus University was established in 2008 by the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, which celebrates its 105th anniversary this year. A diversified, globally recognized, professional academic center of learning, Salus has merged with Drexel University, pending approval by the United States Department of Education, specialized accreditors, and additional third parties. The Pennsylvania College of Optometry will become a stand-alone college at Drexel University and the balance of Salus at Drexel's academic programs will be included within Drexel's College of Nursing and Health Professions. For more information, please visit salus.edu/drexel-integration.