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Week of May 16, 2022



## NEWS



### Two Distinguished Speakers to Share Wisdom with Class of 2022

The NYMC community is gearing up for the [163rd Commencement](#) under the tent on the Valhalla campus, the first in-person commencement ceremony in two years. **Sherlita Amler, M.D, M.S, R.N., Ed.S., C.E.M.**, Commissioner of Health in Westchester County will address the GSBMS and SHSP class of 2022 on

Tuesday, May 24, at 1:00 p.m., and **Albert Bourla, D.V.M., Ph.D.**, chair and chief executive officer of Pfizer will address the SOM on Thursday, May 26, at 1:00 p.m. Both distinguished experts played key roles during the COVID-19 pandemic. [Read more about the commencement speakers and view all information about commencement week.](#)

### Clinical Laboratory Sciences Master's Program Receives Full Accreditation

The Master of Science Clinical Laboratory Sciences program in the GSBMS was granted accreditation for five years by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences. The accreditation, awarded to the program for the first time, gives the program national recognition and affirms the program's high academic standards. [Read the full article.](#)



### Faculty Members Recognized as Healthcare Heroes by Westchester Magazine

NYMC faculty members were among 12 "2022 Healthcare Heroes" selected by [Westchester Magazine](#) for their valiant and dedicated efforts to health care in Westchester and beyond. Lori Solomon, M.D. '99, M.P.H. '09, Salomon Amar, D.D.S., Ph.D., and Gregory R. Veillette, M.D., were honored during the Ninth



Annual Healthcare Heroes luncheon on May 12, where they were celebrated for their vital work. [Read the full article on NYMC's Healthcare Heroes.](#)

### NYMC Students and Faculty Shine at TU Research Day

As part of TU's 50th Anniversary series of celebratory events, the first

Research Day for the entire TU community took place on May 3. The event recognized the best faculty research publications in 2019 and the best student posters presented at Research Day 2022. Ph.D. candidates in microbiology and immunology, **Michelle Carnazza**, left, and **Tara Jarboe** and M.D./Ph.D. candidate Sina Dadafarin won for best student posters while faculty members Julio Panza, M.D., professor of medicine and chief of the Division of Cardiology, and Sangmi Chung, Ph.D., associate professor of cell biology and anatomy, were recognized for their publications. [Read the full article on Touro Research Day.](#)



### **Department of Surgery Hosts 19th Annual Louis R.M. DelGuercio Distinguished Visiting Professorship and Research Day**

The Department of Surgery hosted the 19th Annual Louis R.M. DelGuercio Distinguished Visiting Professorship and Research Day on May 6, with keynote speaker Rifat Latifi, M.D., former chair of the Department of Surgery and now

Minister of Health for the Republic of Kosovo. During his address, Dr. Latifi shared his perspective on mitigating health disparities and transforming health care in Kosovo through centers of excellence. [Read the article and view the photos.](#)

### **NYMC and TU to Host COVID-19 Symposium on May 18**

The 19th COVID-19 Symposium in the series sponsored by NYMC and TU will take place on Wednesday, May 18, from noon to 1:30 p.m. The webinar will cover the public health career landscape; the benefits of a fourth dose of vaccine; disparities in vaccination rates; supply chain issues in the shipment of drugs; and safety concerns surrounding summer activities. Questions may be submitted to

[Covid19updates@touro.edu](mailto:Covid19updates@touro.edu). CME credits are available. [Register for the symposium.](#)



## **STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS**



### **Rebecca Nguyen, SOM Class of 2022, Looks Forward to Future as a Family Physician**

**Rebecca Nguyen**, SOM Class of 2022, has spent four years at NYMC where she has created bountiful fond memories, friendships and connections with faculty. Ms. Nguyen aspires to be a physician focused on family medicine after graduation. [Read the full Q&A with Ms. Nguyen.](#)

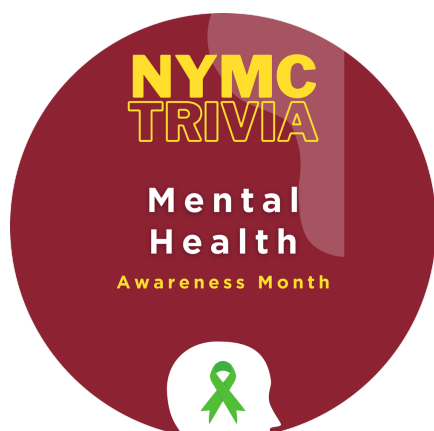
### **Marissa Mann, SLP Class of 2022, Wants to Be an Agent of Change in Her Patients' Lives**

**Marissa Mann**, SLP Class of 2022, became interested in SLP because it would give her a chance to be a health worker in a variety of different environments. Since deciding to study SLP at NYMC, Ms. Mann has taken

advantage of the diverse coursework and clinical studies offered by the College and has gained an appreciation for the profession and the benefits it can bring to patients' lives. [Read the full Q&A.](#)



## DID YOU KNOW



May is Mental Health Awareness Month. [Test your knowledge](#) about mental health on NYMC's Instagram.

## EVENTS ON THE NYMC CALENDAR

DATE	TIME	EVENT
<b>Tuesday, May 17</b>	12:15 p.m.	Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences Grand Rounds
	5:30 p.m.	Office of Student Mental Health and Wellness Yoga and Meditation
<b>Wednesday, May 18</b>	6:45 a.m.	Department of Anesthesiology Grand Rounds
	8:30 a.m.	Department of Surgery Grand Rounds
	12:00 p.m.	Department of Medicine Grand Rounds
	2:00 p.m.	Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy Seminar
<b>Friday, May 20</b>	9:30 a.m.	Department of Physiology Annual Research Symposium

Add an event to the NYMC calendar here.

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## HIGHLIGHTS



### [Class of 2022 Commencement](#)

**Tuesday, May 24 - Wednesday, May 26**  
In-person by invitation only and online.

## IN THE NEWS

### **NYMC Leadership News**

['Each an irreplaceable loss': U.S. hits 1 million COVID-19 deaths](#)

Spectrum News NY1 - 5/12/2022

[Scholars tipped to desert universities if US states ban abortion](#)

Robert W. Amler, M.D., M.B.A., dean of the School of Health Sciences and Practice and vice president of government affairs

Times Higher Education (log in required) - 5/9/2022  
Edward C. Halperin, M.D., M.A., chancellor and chief executive officer

[Touro Commemorates Yom HaShoah With Survivor Stories and Medical Ethics Lessons](#)

The Jewish Link - 5/12/2022  
Edward C. Halperin, M.D., M.A., chancellor and chief executive officer

### Faculty News

[How Menopause Changes Your Skin as You Age, According to Dermatologists](#)

Good Housekeeping - 5/11/2022  
Shoshana Marmon, M.D., Ph.D., clinical assistant professor of dermatology

[Parents struggle to find baby formula in Westchester stores amid national shortage](#)

News 12 New Jersey - 5/10/2022  
Rachael Biller, M.D., assistant professor of pediatrics

### Affiliate News

[Rome Health Gets County Funding for Maternity Department Renovations](#)

The Central New York Business Journal - 5/6/2022  
Rome Health

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