

Grateful at

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I am grateful for...

Jill Schroth – For always complimenting my outfits, which is especially flattering because she has the best clothes and sense of style!
- M3

Dr. Shubhra Shetty – Dr. Shetty demonstrates the combination of compassion and knowledge that patients seek in a physician and I am very grateful to have her as a mentor.
- M3

Gina Osif – Gina knows everything! More than that, she always makes time to share her knowledge. She never lets a question or interruption seem like an inconvenience and for that, I am grateful! #alwaysaskgina
- Staff

Alice Thompson and Stephen Jaqua – For being the most unexpected but most valuable players in the Garden Club. Words can't express how much we appreciate you.
- M2

Oyeniye Zoe-EniOlorunfe Akinleye (Jedidiah) – He was the glue that bound the library together. Best wishes for his MCAT!
- M2

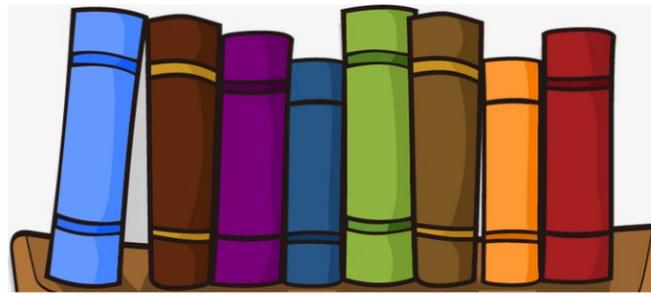
Dr. Shubhra Shetty – Dr. Shetty exemplifies the knowledge, clinical skill, empathy, compassion, patience and humor that I hope to possess as a full-fledged physician. She is a great teacher, mentor and leader and I'm grateful on behalf of our school for her continued dedication to student learning.
- M3

Bill Reuther – Bill doesn't just know how to fix everything and where everything is stored, he treats everyone with warmth and has a way of getting people to lighten up and smile when he's around.
- Staff

Jill Taggart – You are the best and I don't know what we are going to do without you!
- M3

Dr. Preeyanka Najar – For teaching me so much during my OB-GYN rotation and for showing me some helpful websites with practice questions and learning resources.
- M3

According to various studies on medical education, nearly all medical students will experience some form of distress, burnout or depression throughout their training. Although some days can be really difficult, there are so many wonderful people at our school who are doing really exciting, positive things for our Geisinger Commonwealth community. *Grateful at Geisinger Commonwealth* was founded in order to highlight these rays of sunshine in our medical school lives and to brighten each of our days by focusing on the good things happening here at Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine!



Megan Logenbrener – For coordinating our schedules and always being available to answer questions and give helpful advice.
- M3

Dr. Rakauskas, Dr. Caleb Washabaugh, Dr. Aedome Girma, and Dr. Ryan Moore and all the staff at GBH 4-North – For taking me under their wings and making my first rotation so enjoyable.
- Nate Hoff, M3

Amelia Mackarey – I really appreciate all the hard work she puts in to promote Grateful at Geisinger and help bring our community closer!
- M3

Dan Laub – I ran into him in the GMC cafeteria the other day and he told me a story about an interaction that he had with a patient that really moved him and also really helped the patient. I'm grateful that you were able to be there for that patient and that I was able to hear about the story -- you inspire me!
- M3

Nate Hoff – For taking time out of his day to set up both Epic and TigerText for me. I'm lucky to have a patient, tech-savvy friend like you!
- M3

Megan Lombardi – She is so positive and awesome! She answers all of my questions and gives me tips on how to survive third-year rotations. She's been so helpful and supportive these past couple months. I am so lucky that I can reach out to her for advice.
- M3

Shradha Chhabria – She was AMAZING in supporting me before my first test 😊
- Anita Shah, M1

Linda Learn – For dealing with me throughout the entire application process! Thank you!
- Jee Moon, M4

John Piserchio – For transcribing every class and saving everyone hours of static-y Tegrity!
- Class of 2022

Anthony Morada and Adam Howell – For keeping my phone alive during exam week when my charger broke.
- M2

Dr. Lucchesi – She's not just an excellent teacher, she's a New Englander! From all of us from the region, it means more than we can express that someone who exemplifies everything that is wonderful about the region is a part of the community here.
- M1

Dr. Tanja Adonizio – Dr. Adonizio is so supportive of each of us as students. Whenever any of us goes to her with different initiatives or ideas, she is so helpful and responsive. If I'm upset about something, I always feel comfortable emailing her or asking to meet with her because I know that she is going to make me feel better. She is also such an intelligent, strong professional and an awesome female physician role-model. Thank you, Dr. Adonizio!
- M3

Dr. Brytanie Marshall – She gave a really interesting and informative presentation on birth control during one of the OB-GYN Resident Education sessions and I learned so much from her. Thank you!
- M3

M3 classmates who rotate through Geisinger Medical Center in Danville – It's such a happy surprise when I'm rounding with the residents or walking through the cafeteria line and I run into folks from other campuses! Nice to see your lovely faces enjoying the best campus ☺
- M3

Yoseph Aldras – For being a good audience and letting me vent!!
- M3

Dr. Gehred Wetzel – Dr. Wetzel is a master-class physician and exceptional educator. He has an amazing ability to communicate medical concepts with sensitivity and tact to patients and students alike. It is a privilege to learn from him and work with him helping women and take part in the miracle of birth.
- M3

Assad Hayat – Assad is a true friend and all around great fellow. He is always willing to lend an ear, give directions or make an accommodation in his schedule. It is a pleasure to work with him, get dinner, watch movies and shows and even pray with him.
- M3

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