

*Pitt Med*

..... **P R O M I S E** .....

# INTENTIONALITY

**We intend for University of Pittsburgh  
School of Medicine students to be successful.  
This intention comes from a long tradition.**

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## *Pitt Med Promise*

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“You have come here to engage in the challenging and stimulating study of medicine. From the medical institutions in our country, you have selected ours to become your Alma Mater. The motives which impelled you individually to this choice were no doubt diverse.

Whatever may have influenced you, we indulge the fond hope that by reciprocal aid and action you may attain at least a degree of excellence in your studies which will satisfy the most exacting critics. Of the faculty, I feel safe in saying every member will take the keenest interest in your welfare and will ever strive to do all that is possible to make your progress satisfactory and rapid. It certainly gratifies me to be able to say that you will find all of my colleagues worthy of your respect and confidence.”

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*Excerpted from “From This Seed Our Glory,” by John Milton Duff, MD,  
delivered at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine in  
September 1886*

# WE PROMISE

**We promise that as a result of our partnership, you will:**

- develop an unrelenting quest for and commitment to learning;
- be committed to professionalism;
- become patient and family centered;
- be exceptionally clinically skilled and ready for residency;
- understand how to test knowledge through experience;
- be prepared to practice in a technically supported evidence-based innovative environment;
- be globally aware and understand how health care is delivered in other countries around the world;
- demonstrate the importance of being dedicated to service and having a generous spirit;
- be committed to diversity and inclusion treating all you encounter with dignity and respect;
- understand the role of medicine in ensuring social justice and meeting human needs;
- be able to work effectively with interprofessional teams; and
- have the opportunity to develop leadership skills.

**All you must do is intend to become an exceptional physician.**

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be exceptional physicians  
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