**2024-2025 Duke Scholars in Endocrinology, Metabolism, and Cardiovascular Disease**Beverly deSouza
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Matthew Hirschey
**Department:** Integrated Toxicology & Environmental Health

Aigin Heydari
Postdoctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Ravi Karra
**Department:** Cell and Molecular Biology

Sarah Little
Postdoctoral Associate

**Mentor:** Daniel Schmitt
**Department:** Trinity College of Arts & Sciences, Evolutionary Anthropology

Hailey Napier
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Craig Lowe
**Department:**  Cell and Molecular Biology

Annelise Poss
Postdoctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Deborah Muoio
**Department:** School of Medicine, Molecular Physiology Institute

Jia Wen
Postdoctoral Associate
**Mentor:** John Rawls
**Department:** Molecular Genetics & Microbiology

**2023-2024 Duke Scholars in Endocrinology, Metabolism, and Cardiovascular Disease**
Taylor Anglen
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Charles Gersbach
**Department:** Cell Biology

Ammara Aqeel
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Lawrence David
**Department:** Molecular Genetics & Microbiology

Ilaria Merutka
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Nishad Jayasundara
**Department:** Nicholas School of the Environment, Integrated Toxicology & Environmental Health

Srishti Sadhir
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Trinity College of Arts & Sciences, Evolutionary Anthropology
**Department:** Herman Pontzer

Kevin Shores
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** George Truskey
**Department:** Pratt School of Engineering, Biomedical Engineering

**2022-2023 Duke Scholars in Endocrinology, Metabolism, and Cardiovascular Disease**
Rohan Bhattacharya
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Samira Musah
**Department:** Pratt School of Engineering, Biomedical Engineering

Apoorva Iyengar
PhD Candidate
**Mentor: Timothy Reddy**
**Department:** Biostatistics & Bioinformatics

Ke Zoe Shan
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Huanghe Yang
**Department:** Biochemistry

Parul Sirohi
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Ashutosh Chilkoti
**Department:** Pratt School of Engineering, Biomedical Engineering

Xirui Song
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Bruce Sullenger
**Department:** Pharmacology & Cancer Biology

 **2021-2022 Duke Scholars in Endocrinology, Metabolism, and Cardiovascular Disease**
Dilara Anbarci
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Blanche Capel
**Department:** Cell Biology

Emmanuela Bonglack
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Micah Luftig
**Department:** Molecular Genetics & Microbiology

Tong Chen
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Karl-Dimiter Bissig
**Department:** Pediatrics

Marissa Guttenberg
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Robert Tighe
**Department:** Pulmonary & Critical Care/Environment

Madeline Hemmingsen
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Karl-Dimiter Bissig
**Department:** Genetics & Genomics

Wenxin Tong
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Mark A. Herman
**Department:** Endocrinology

In 2018, the Cardiovascular Disease, Nutrition & Metabolism and the Endocrine & Bone scholars program were joined to form the Duke Scholars in Endocrine and Cardiometabolic Disease program. The track became Duke Scholars in Endocrinology, Metabolism, and Cardiovascular Disease (DSEC)

No DSMM program in 2020-2021 per Covid-19 pandemic.

### 2019-2020 Duke Scholars in Cardiovascular Medicine

Kaitlin Kiernan

PhD Candidate

**Mentor:** Nancie MacIver

**Department:** Pediatrics

Diana Li

Postdoctoral Associate

**Mentor:** Jatin Roper

**Department:** Department of Medicine, Gastroenterology Division

Yihan Liao

PhD Candidate

**Mentor:** Matthew J. Hilton

**Department:** Orthopaedic Surgery

Matthew Ruis

PhD Candidate

**Mentor:** Heather Stapleton

**Department:** Nicholas School of the Environment

Fei Sun

PhD Candidate

**Mentor:** Kenneth Poss

**Department:** Cell Biology

Alexis Waddail, PhD (Ceasrine)

Postdoctoral Associate

**Mentor:** Staci Bilbo

**Department:** Psychology & Neuroscience

### 2018-2019 Duke Scholars in Cardiovascular Medicine

Wei Duan
PostDoc
**Mentor:** Dennis Abraham
**Department:** Cardiology

Jason Long
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Matthew Hilton
**Department:**Orthopaedics

​Nora Spencer Peterson
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Donald Fox
**Department:** Pharmacology & Cancer Biology

Hongyuan (Hazel) Zhang
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Ben Alman
**Department:**Orthopaedics

### 2017-2018 Duke Scholars in Cardiovascular Medicine

​Vaibhav Kakkad
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:**Gregg Trahey
**Department:** Biomedical Engineering

Taylor Orr
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Chris Kontos
**Department:** Pharmacology and Molecular Cancer Biology

Brandon Schickling
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Francis Miller
**Department:** Cardiology

### 2016-2017 Duke Scholars in Cardiovascular Medicine

Hasan Abbas
PhD Candidate
**Mentor**: [Christopher Kontos](http://people.duke.edu/~cdkontos/Kontos_Lab/Contact_Us.html)
**Department**: Pharmacology and Cancer Biology

Ruwan Gunaratne
PhD Candidate
**Mentor**: [Bruce Sullenger](http://sciences.surgery.duke.edu/research/institutes-and-labs/cardiovascular-biology)
**Department**: Pharmacology and Cancer Biology/MSTP

MengMeng Xu
PhD Candidate
**Mentor**: [Chris Counter](http://cmb.duke.edu/research/faculty/chris-counter)
**Department**: Pharmacology and Cancer Biology/MSTP

### 2015-2016 Duke Scholars in Cardiovascular Medicine

Sarah E. Wetzel-Strong
PostDoc
**Mentor**: [Douglas Marchuk](http://cmb.duke.edu/research/faculty/douglas-marchuk)
**Department**:  MGM

Adejoke Ojewole
PhD Candidate
**Mentor**:  [Bruce Donald](http://www.cs.duke.edu/people/faculty/?csid=1611)
**Department**:  Computational Biology and Bioinformatics

Angelo C. Moreno
PhD Candidate
**Mentor**:  [Bruce Sullenger](http://cmb.duke.edu/research/faculty/bruce-sullenger)
**Department**:  MGM

### 2014-2015 Duke Scholars in Cardiovascular Medicine

Akshay Bareja
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor**: Victor Dzau
**Department**: Cardiology

Aaron Goldman
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Kenneth Poss
**Department**: Cell Biology

Maryam Vejdani-Jahromi
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:**Patrick Wolfe
**Department**: Biomedical Engineering

Kathleen Hershberger
PhD Candidate
**Mentor**: Matthew Hirschey
**Department**: Pharmacology

### 2013-2014 Duke Scholars in Cardiovascular Medicine

Wen-Yee Choi
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Kenneth Poss
**Department:** Cell Biology

Erin Elizabeth Soule
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Bruce Sullenger
**Department:** Pharmacology and Cancer Biology

Anna Luise Keyte
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Mary Hutson
**Department:** Pediatrics

David Gerard Ousterout, Jr.
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Charles A Gersbach
**Department:** Biomedical Engineering

Hikmat Nassralla Daghestani
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Virginia Kraus
**Department:** Medicine, Rheumatology & Immunology

### 2012-2013 Duke Scholars in Cardiovascular Medicine

Josh Doherty
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Gregg Trahey
**Department:** Biomedical Engineering

Brett Byram
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Gregg Trahey
**Department:** Biomedical Engineering

Hao Tang
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Doug Marchuk
**Department:** Molecular Genetics & Microbiology

Chris Grigsby
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Kam Leong
**Department:** Biomedical Engineering

Peter Hollender
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Gregg Trahey
**Department:** Biomedical Engineering

Dave McDonald
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Doug Marchuk
**Department:** Molecular Genetics & Microbiology

### ****2018-2019 Duke Scholars in Nutrition and Metabolism****

Yazan Alwarawrah
Post Doc
**Mentor:** Nancie MacIver
**Department:** Pediatrics

Sarah Gray
Post Doc
**Mentor:**Dave D'Alessio
**Department:** Endocrinology & Metabolism

Jonathan Warren
Post Doc
**Mentor:** Nancie MacIver
**Department:**Pediatrics

### 2016-2017 Duke Scholars in Nutrition and Metabolism

Kelly Luginbuhl
PhD Candidate
Mentor: [Dr. Ashutosh Chilkoti](http://chilkotilab.pratt.duke.edu/)
Department: Biomedical Engineering

Lifeng Yuan
PhD Candidate
Mentor: [Xiao-Fan Wang](http://pharmacology.mc.duke.edu/faculty/wang.html)
Department: Pharmacology

Jonathan Douros II
Post-Doctoral
Mentor: [David D’Alessio, M.D.](http://dmpi.duke.edu/faculty/david-dalessio-md)
Department: Endocrinology/DMPI

### 2015-2016 Duke Scholars in Nutrition and Metabolism

Angelical S. Martin
PhD
**Mentor:** [Matt Hirschey](http://dmpi.duke.edu/faculty/matthew-hirschey-phd)
**Department:** Pharmacology and Cancer Biology

Parisa Yousef
PhD
**Mentor:**[Ashutosh Chilkoti](http://bme.duke.edu/faculty/ashutosh-chilkoti)
**Department:** Biomedical Engineering

Tiffani White
PostDoc
**Mentor:**[Susan Gurley](http://medicine.duke.edu/divisions/nephrology/research/institutes-and-labs/gurley-lab)
**Department**: Nephrology

Lu Zhang
PostDoc
**Mentor:** [Chris Newgard](http://dmpi.duke.edu/faculty/christopher-b-newgard-phd)
**Department:** DMPI

### ****2014-2015 Duke Scholars in Endocrinology and Metabolism****

Jonathan Halderman
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** [Chris Newgard](http://dmpi.duke.edu/faculty/christopher-b-newgard-phd)
**Department:** Pharmacology and Cancer Biology

Brett Peterson
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:**[Chris Newgard](http://dmpi.duke.edu/faculty/christopher-b-newgard-phd)
**Department:** Pharmacology

Gregg Wagner
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:**[Chris Newgard](http://dmpi.duke.edu/faculty/christopher-b-newgard-phd)
**Department:** Pharmacology and Cancer Biology

### 2013-2014 Duke Scholars in Endocrinology and Metabolism

Kelly Lindblom
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Sally Kornbluth
**Department:** Pharmacology and Cancer Biology

Michael Davies
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Deborah Muoio
**Department:** Pharmacology

Frank Khan Huynh
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Matthew Hirschey
**Department:** Sarah W. Stedman Nutrition and Metabolism Center

Erica Seager Johnson
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Sally Kornbluth
**Department:** Molecular Cancer Biology

Valerie Tornini
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Ken Poss
**Department:** Cell Biology

### 2012-2013 Duke Scholars in Endocrinology and Metabolism

Val Gerriets
PhD Candidate
**Mentor:** Jeff Rathmell
**Department:** Pharmacology and Cancer Biology

Antonio Chavez
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Scott Summers
**Department:** Sarah W. Stedman Nutrition and Metabolism Center

Andrew Macintyre
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Jeff Rathmell
**Department:** Pharmacology and Cancer Biology

Kristi Norris
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Tso-Pang Yao
**Department:** Pharmacology and Cancer Biology

Kari Wong
Post-Doctoral Associate
**Mentor:** Deb Muoio
**Department:** Sarah W. Stedman Nutrition and Metabolism Center