Tulane alumnus Dr. Clyde Yancy named speaker for School of Medicine Diploma Ceremony



Dr. Clyde Yancy graduated from Tulane University School of Medicine in 1982. (Photo by Laura Brown/American Heart Association)

The School of Medicine is proud to announce that Clyde Yancy, MD (M'82) will serve as the Diploma Ceremony speaker for students of the Class of 2022, who will graduate on May 21, 2022.

Yancy currently serves as the Magerstadt Professor of Medicine and Chief of Cardiology at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine in Chicago, where he is also the Vice-Dean of Diversity and Inclusion.

After graduating from Southern University in Baton Rouge, Yancy gained early acceptance into TUSOM, where he was a member of Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society and a graduate of the Class of 1982. He completed his medical residency in internal medicine at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas and a fellowship in cardiovascular disease and transplant cardiology at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. Prior to his appointment at Northwestern in 2011, Yancy served as Medical Director of the Baylor Heart and Vascular Institute. His particular areas of interest in cardiovascular research include heart failure, health disparities and cardiovascular complications of COVID-19.

Yancy has published extensively and has been the recipient of numerous honors and awards throughout his distinguished career, among them: American Heart Association, Physician of the Year; Association of Black Cardiologists, Outstanding Research Award; membership in the National Academy of Medicine; election to the Association of American Physicians; President, American Heart Association; Tulane University School of Medicine, Outstanding Alumnus Award. Most recently, he received the 2021 American Heart Association's Chairman's Award.