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Nine students from the University of Arizona College of Medicine - Phoenix Campus and five from UACOM - Tucson will join the medical staff at Banner – University Medical Center Phoenix as physician residents following their graduation in May.

UACOM Phoenix hosted its Match Day event at 10 a.m., Friday, March 20, where 54 students—the largest group to date—participated: 28 women and 26 men. The event was held in the Health Sciences Education Building, 435 N. Fifth St., Phoenix.

The nine students spending at least part of their residency at B—UMC Phoenix are: Eduardo Alcantar (Surgery, preliminary year); Ronik Bhangoo (Medicine, preliminary); Andrew Hennigan (Medicine, preliminary); Nathan Kim (Medicine, preliminary); Anna Lise Koenig (General Surgery); Nina Lara (Orthopaedic Surgery); Anchit Mehrotra (Anesthesiology); Syed Ali Raza (Medicine, preliminary); and Kellie Wheeler (Family Medicine). Hennigan will finish his residency in Anesthesiology at Banner – UMC Tucson. Also headed to Tucson are: Tanner Jugler (Medicine, preliminary); Maria Khan (Pediatrics); and Ashley Lukefahr (Pathology).



A flash mob of first-, second- and third-year medical students, along with faculty, preceded the envelope unveiling for where graduating students will be headed for their residencies.





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As confetti falls in celebration, Kellie Wheeler learns that she matched in the family medicine program at Banner – University Medical Center Phoenix.

<u>Learn more</u> about the UACOM Phoenix Class of 2015 including Match Day profiles, a Flickr photo album and video highlights—"On Top of the World."

In Tucson, 118 UACOM students participated in Match Day ceremonies, with 23 set to spend at least part of their residency at UACOM affiliated hospitals there (including B–UMC Tucson and B–UMC South campuses) and, again, five headed for B–UMC Phoenix: Marco Duran (Anesthesiology, preliminary); Christopher LeBeau (Internal Medicine); Mateja Lekic (Internal Medicine); Shari Pressley (Family Medicine); and Kristina Voss (Ophthalmology, preliminary). Read more.





UACOM Tucson's Marco Duran (left) announces he's headed to Banner – UMC Phoenix for a year before an anesthesiology residency at Cleveland's MetroHealth Medical Center. At UACOM Phoenix, Nina Lara (right) before learning she matched in the orthopedic surgery program at Banner – UMC Phoenix.

Nationwide, nearly 35,000 U.S. and international students applied to match on Friday with one of the more than 27,000 first-year residency positions offered in this year's National Main Residency Match Program, according to the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC).

Commencement ceremonies for UACOM Phoenix graduating seniors are May 11, 3:30-5 p.m., in Phoenix Symphony Hall. UACOM Tucson convocation ceremonies are May 14, 6-8 p.m., in UA Centennial Hall.

See the full list of UACOM Phoenix graduates and where they're headed for residencies.

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