



Aleeza Abbasi, MD

Home Town: North Potomac, Maryland

Undergraduate: University of Maryland

Medical School: George Washington University

What do you like doing on your days off?

My husband and I like to hit the gym and then use that as an excuse to eat lots of good food. We like to cook, try new restaurants with friends, go hiking (there are a ton of cool hiking spots in the area)!

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

Possibly fellowship, keeping my options open.

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

I really was impressed with the family friendly environment at our program. I wanted to be close to my husband (who is an ortho resident at Wright State in Dayton, OH). The residents here are friendly, and there's a diverse group of people with different backgrounds and experiences. Also, Cincinnati is a great city with lots to do and great food.

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Research Interest

UTIs



Amanda Baucom, MD, MBA

Home Town: Marshville, NC

Undergraduate: East Carolina University

Graduate School: Masters of Business Administration, East Carolina University

Medical School: Brody School of Medicine, East Carolina University

What do you like doing on your days off?

In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my two dogs Paisley and Annabelle, completing home improvement projects with my husband or discovering new restaurants with friends and co-residents. I also enjoy ballroom dancing, scrapbooking and traveling.

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

To provide compassionate and patient centered care to women and their families. To continue to expand my knowledge base to best serve my patients. Be involved in education and supporting students in developing the skills and knowledge to become future residents and physicians. Ultimately pursue fellowship in maternal fetal medicine or reproductive endocrinology and infertility.

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

I wanted to train at a large academic center that also provided many fellowship opportunities. My husband and I couples matched (Matthew Baucom, general surgery resident) and we wanted to match at a program that was a great fit for both of us and our future aspirations. Most importantly, we wanted a program that “felt like family” and UC did that!

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Publications:

Baucom AM, Kuller JA, Dotters-Katz S. Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura in Pregnancy. Obstet Gynecol Surv. 2019;74(8):490-496. doi:10.1097/OGX.0000000000000697

Presentations:

Baucom, A (2019, April) Let the Good Grades Roll: Optimizing Shelf Exam Performance with a Novel Peer-led Comprehensive Review Session. Poster presentation presented at the 5th Annual Brody Medical Education Day, Greenville, NC.

Research Interests:

Middle cerebral artery doppler assessment in the setting of fetal anomalies; Dr. Kara Markham; Maternal Fetal Medicine

Assessment of partner desire for greater involvement in the intra-uterine insemination process; Dr Julie Sroga-Rios, Andra Starostanko; Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility



Katie Calhoun, MD, Med

Home Town: Alexandria, Virginia

Undergraduate: University of Notre Dame

Graduate School: Master of Education, University of Notre Dame

Medical School: George Washington University

What do you like doing on your days off?

My husband and I enjoy exploring new parts of the city, trying new restaurants, and spending time together as a new family of three.

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

I hope to practice as an OBGYN generalist in an academic setting.

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

We chose Cincinnati for its great academic reputation and for being a family-friendly city.

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Research Interest:

I'm interested in pursuing research in medical education.



Valerie Grant, MD, MS

Home Town: Okemos, Michigan

Undergraduate: University of Michigan. I also spent 2 years in the Twins Cities at a women's college now called St. Catherine University

Graduate School: University of Wisconsin- Madison, Masters of Science in Neuroscience

Medical School: Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine

What do you like doing on your days off?

Gardening, painting, training my weimaraner puppy, and helping my husband raise our two kids to become good citizens of the world.

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

Generalist

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

The UC ob gyn residency program was touted as great surgical training in a regional leader in maternal and fetal care serving a diverse patient population (both in demographics and medical complexity).

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

I've published science fiction short stories and my master's thesis was on the use of electron paramagnetic resonance spectroscopy in the measurement of gating movements of ligand gated ion channels, but more recently my interest is in equity in healthcare access, and systems optimization for pandemic preparedness.



Erin Ferrigni, MD

Home Town: Phoenix, AZ

Undergraduate: University of Arizona

Medical School: Medical College of Wisconsin

What do you like doing on your days off?

Exploring the city, trying new restaurants, hiking, cooking, traveling

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

Considering fellowship in Gyn/Onc

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

The interview dinner sold the program for me. All the residents genuinely care for one another and go out of their way to help out their fellow co-residents. Being at an academic program was also important for me in terms of fellowship and research opportunities

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Research Interest

Recurrence of cervical cancer after radical hysterectomy



Allison Gurney-McMaster, MD

Home Town: South Lyon, MI

Undergraduate: Michigan State University

Medical School: Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine

What do you like doing on your days off?

Exploring Cincinnati and checking out new places to eat- Mazunte, Taglio, Coffee Emporium and MadTree are some of my favorites! Walking along the river and Ault Park and visiting the multitude of events that are always happening downtown also keep me busy. I also enjoy traveling, spending time with my co-residents, and watching sports- especially the Michigan State Spartans and Red Wings.

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

I am heavily considering pursuing fellowship.

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

What everyone says on the interview trail ended up being 100% true, it really does come down to "fit" and finding your "people". I immediately felt welcome on my interview day and it was evident that everyone was extremely close. I also was drawn to the high-acuity of the training and being at an academic center with abundant opportunities for research and fellowship.

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Presentations:

Dykowski S, Gurney-McMaster A, Killinger K, Bartley J. (March 2018). "An Evaluation of Bladder and Bowel Symptom Improvement Using Validated Questionnaires in Patients Undergoing Percutaneous Tibial Nerve Stimulation" Poster presented at: American Women's Association 103rd Anniversary Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, USA.

Gurney-McMaster A, Dykowski S, Killinger K, Bartley J. (March 2018). "Patient Compliance with Percutaneous Tibial Nerve Stimulation in a Large Community-Based Practice" Poster presented at: American Women's Association 103rd Anniversary Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, USA.

Nguyen L, Gaines N, Gurney-McMaster A, Han E, Peters K, Gilleran, J, Fischer M, Boura J, Sirls L. (February-March 2018). "Advance Sling in Patients with Previous Prostate Radiation". Poster presented at: Society of Urodynamics, Female Pelvic Medicine, & Urogenital Reconstruction Winter Meeting, Austin, TX, USA.

Nguyen L, Gaines N, Gurney-McMaster A, Fischer M, Killinger K, Gillerman J, Bartley J, Boura J, Sirls L. (February-March 2017). "Are Pad Weight Testing and Surgical Tunneling of Sling Associated with Advance Male Sling Outcomes?" Poster presented at: Society of Urodynamics, Female Pelvic Medicine, & Urogenital Reconstruction Winter Meeting, Scottsdale, AZ, USA.

Nguyen L, Gaines N, Gurney-McMaster A, Fischer M, Killinger K, Bartley J, Gillerman J, Boura J, Sirls L. (February-March 2017). "Interventions for Stress Urinary Incontinence After Advance Male Sling". Poster presented at: Society of Urodynamics, Female Pelvic Medicine, & Urogenital Reconstruction Winter Meeting, Scottsdale, AZ, USA.

Nguyen L, Gaines N, Gurney-McMaster A, Fischer M, Killinger K, Gillerman J, Bartley J, Boura J, Sirls L. (February-March 2017). "Advance Male Sling: Are Surgical Volume and Experience Associated with Outcome". Poster presented at: Society of Urodynamics, Female Pelvic Medicine, & Urogenital Reconstruction Winter Meeting, Scottsdale, AZ, USA.



Jessica Keese, MD

Home Town: Mount Vernon, WA

Undergraduate: University of Washington

Medical School: University of Washington School of Medicine

What do you like doing on your days off?

My wife and I enjoy completing many projects at our new house and when we get the chance we like to take bike rides around the city and bike trails in the area. We also like cuddling our cat and watching Avatar.

Interests within obstetrics and gynecology?

I'm interested in either being a generalist or fellowship in PAG or family planning.

Why did you choose University of Cincinnati?

My wife and I couple's matched here (my wife is a family medicine resident). We like our respective programs and the area. We both like the mix of working in a large academic center and at a community hospital (The Christ) and the differences in perspectives that it brings. Also, UC serves a very diverse population racially and socioeconomically and we both care highly about serving the underserved.

Recent Publications/Presentations/Research Interest

Research Interest:

Family planning