HELLO AND WELCOME TO PRITZKER!

At this very moment, throughout Hyde Park and our great city of Chicago, the Pritzker orientation chairs, along with our students, faculty, and staff, are all hard at work ensuring that your transition to medical school is as fantastic as possible. We are so excited that you are joining the Pritzker family, and we can't wait to meet you in just a few weeks!



Now, who is we? Well, tis Kathryn, Ty, and Lucy – your Pritzker Chiefs. We are a trio of fourth year medical students who serve as the bridge between students and the Pritzker administration. We coordinate mentoring across classes, plan social activities throughout the year for all of Pritzker, and serve as peer resources to help you through whatever issues you face in medical school – whether personal, academic, or clinical. If you ever have any concerns or questions, we're here for you, always!

We can't wait to get to know each of you this coming year! Before we officially meet in a few short weeks, here's a little about us:

KATHRYN NUTTING (LEFT)

Hey friends, welcome to Pritzker! I am SO excited to meet you in a few weeks. I grew up about an hour outside of Boston in a little town called Medway. I went to college at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst where I studied public health. After graduating I took a year off and worked as a nursing assistant at UMass Medical in Worcester Mass while I applied to med school. After that year, I packed up a moving truck and road tripped out to Chicago to start my next four year journey. Pritzker has been the absolute best time of my life. In my procrastination attempts, you can find me swimming in the lake, bouncing back and forth between Whole Foods and Trader Joes, and hanging with my friends playing board games or wandering around Chicago. I have no hesitation saying this place has the most incredibly impressive and kind people I have had the honor to work with, from students to admin and faculty. I can't wait to be impressed by all of you! Please don't think twice about stopping to say hi if you see me and please let me know if you have any questions/concerns!

TY JOHNSON (RIGHT)

Warmest hello to the newest members of our family!!! I'm fidgeting as you get ever closer to finally arriving at the humbly amazing Pritzker School of Medicine. A little about me: I was born and raised in the city of Riverside in beautiful Southern California, and attended UCLA. Passionate about science and society, I majored in Microbiology & Immunology, and spent a large portion of undergrad advocating for the health of LA's homeless and underserved Filipino-American communities. I chose Pritzker as my home-away-from-home because this was truly the only place where I found both a genuine endeavor for excellence in supporting minority populations *and* a warm, close-knit community that continuously fosters camaraderie and mentorship amongst its members. I am beyond excited to welcome you to such a place! Born a mixed Black-Filipino baby, I love culture, good food, good beer, and the presence of wonderful family and friends... soon to include you! Let me cook for you sometime, or at least buy you coffee – and please feel comfortable reaching out at any time for any reason!

LUCY XU (CENTER)

Hi everyone, looking forward to having y'all join us at Pritzker! I was born and raised down in Georgia and attended Amherst College, where I studied Neuroscience and Anthropology. Afterwards, I spent a year working on healthcare disparities research at UChicago and was so enamored with summertime Chi (with its bikeable lakefront, art festivals, and free outdoor concerts) that I developed an intensely selective amnesia about its winters. To get me through those other less-than-warm days, I enjoy potlucks with friends, rock climbing, and raising houseplants. After finishing my MS3 clinical rotations, I took an additional year to focus on research – and although I miss the Class of 2019 dearly, I'm so thrilled to be able to welcome you as the newest members of our community! I can't wait for you to meet all of the generous, inspiring people who will be your classmates, faculty, and administration here at Pritzker. If there's anything we can do for you, big or small, just reach out to us!

CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU SOON! -YOUR 2019-20 PRITZKER CHIEFS

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