

# PCOM GEORGIA: DEPARTMENTS AND FACULTY

## THE FACULTY OF PCOM – Teaching in PCOM Georgia

A highly-qualified faculty of physicians, pharmacists, educators, scientists and support staff implement the educational goals of the College. Faculty members are dedicated to the singular purpose of educating students for the skilled and caring practice of osteopathic medicine, pharmacy and the health professions. In a real sense, education at PCOM Georgia is carried out by this larger PCOM Georgia family. Faculty concentration and dedication show in the teaching students receive.

### Bio-Medical Sciences

#### **Professor Emeritus**

Mary Owen, JD, PhD

#### **Professors**

Linda Adkison, PhD (Genetics)  
Adwoa D. Aduonum, PhD (Neuroscience, Physiology & Pharmacology)  
Bonnie A. Buxton, PhD (Pathology, Microbiology and Immunology)  
Mindy George-Weinstein, PhD (Anatomy)  
Francis E. Jenney Jr., PhD (Biochemistry)  
Harold L. Komiskey Jr., PhD (Neuroscience, Physiology & Pharmacology)  
Huo Lu, PhD (Anatomy)  
Phillip Pearson, PhD (Anatomy & Histology)  
Dennis Peffley, PhD, JD (Physiology & Pharmacology)  
Diana Peterson, PhD (Anatomy)  
Lori Redmond, PhD (Anatomy)  
Erica Rushing, MD (Pathology)  
Richard E. White, PhD (Neuroscience, Physiology & Pharmacology)

#### **Associate Professors**

Mircea Angheliescu, MD(Pathophysiology)  
Kimberly Baker, PhD (Biochemistry)  
Valerie E. Cadet, PhD (Microbiology, Immunology, Pathology and Forensic Medicine)  
Shafik Habal, MD (Pathology, Microbiology and Immunology)  
Robert McAfee, PhD (Anatomy)  
Michael Selby, PhD (Anatomy)  
Shu Zhu, MD, PhD (Physiology)

### Emergency Medicine

#### **Professor**

Donald Penney, MD

#### **Associate Professor**

Marla D. Golden, DO, MS, FACEP

### Family Medicine

#### **Associate Professors**

Lauren Ball, DO, MPH  
L. Michael Waters, Jr., DO

#### **Assistant Professors**

Joy Zarandy, DO  
Erik Zarandy, DO

### Medical Laboratory Sciences

#### **Assistant Professor**

Karen Giddens, MS

### OB/GYN

#### **Professor**

David Adelstein, DO

### Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine

#### **Professor Emeritus**

Walter Ehrenfeuchter, DO

#### **Professor & Chair of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine**

Victoria Troncoso, DO

#### **Professor**

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#### **Assistant Professors**

Shawne Murray, DO  
Ravi Yarid, DO

### Pediatrics

#### **Dean and Chief Academic Officer of the Osteopathic Program**

Andrea Mann, DO

#### **Professors**

Gary F. Freed, DO  
Erik Langenau, DO  
Andrea Mann, DO

#### **Clinical Assistant Professor**

Jana R. Himmelbaum, DO

### Pharmacy

#### **Professor, Dean and Chief Academic Officer of the School of Pharmacy**

Shawn Spencer, PhD, RPh

#### **Professors**

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Avadhesh Sharma, PharmD, PhD  
Shawn Spencer, PhD, RPh

#### **Associate Professors**

Shari Allen, PharmD  
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Michael Lee, PhD  
Hua Ling, PharmD  
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Vicky Mody, PhD  
Sara Wilson Reece, PharmD  
Brent Rollins, PhD, RPh  
Essie Samuel, PharmD  
Shashidharamurthy Taval, PhD  
Sonia Thomas, PharmD  
John Tovar, PharmD  
Xinyu (Eric) Wang, PhD  
Julie Wickman, PharmD  
Zhiqian (James) Wu, PhD

#### **Assistant Professors**

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Shirin Madzhidova, PharmD

### Physical Therapy

**Professor and Chair of Physical Therapy**

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**Physician Assistant Studies**

**Professor and Chair**

Rebekah E. Thomas, PharmD, PA-C

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James Garrett, MPAS, PA-C

Ashley Griffin, MMSC, PA-C

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**Psychiatry**

**Clinical Assistant Professor**

Ryan Smith, DO

**Surgery**

**Clinical Professor**

Frank Jones, MD, MPH

**Associate Professor**

Brian Mann, EdD