

Chiropractic Leaders salute the Macquarie Class of 2009!

The 9th of April 2010 marked the graduation of the class of 2009 and the final stage of their entry into the Chiropractic profession. The NSW and national leaders of the Australian Chiropractic profession gathered in Sydney to welcome the 112 new chiropractors to the profession while 94 were admitted to the degree of Bachelor of Chiropractic Science. A/Prof Philip Bolton delivered an inspiring keynote address on campus. Family, friends and loved ones joined Chiropractic faculty members in congratulating graduates while Natalie Newman represented the graduating class in giving thanks to faculty members, family and friends their knowledge, encouragement and support over the years.

The celebrations continued that evening at Dockside in Darling Harbour thanks to The Chiropractic Alumni and the Sydney College of Chiropractic. The intimate venue was host to a wonderful turnout of students, family and staff all dressed to impress. The class of 2009 proudly swore the Chiropractic Oath and were inspired to excel by CAAN President Dr. Simon Floreani (pictured below right) and Head of Chiropractic at Macquarie, Dr. Sharyn Eaton. A common theme throughout the night was placing patient's needs above all others. Students were also encouraged to further their education and pursue the highest standards while opposing complacency in the workplace.



Highlights of this gala evening included presentation of the Academic awards. The CAA Qld Ellie Fernie Award to Alice Nguyen by Dr. Dennis Richards (pictured left); The CAA National Award for Student of the Year plus the NSW CAA X-Ray Excellence Award and The NSW Chiropractors' Registration Board Postgraduate Award were all won by Danny Diab. Other awards presented on the gala night were: The Chiropractic Alumni Award to Daniel Strengelsrud; CAA NSW Academic Excellence Award First Year Masters to Ryan Coster; The COCA Award for proficiency in Preclinical Studies was won by Dorothy Brodie; The Chiropractic Education Aust. Award for Clinic Internship was presented to Natalie Newman; The Australian Spinal Research Foundation Prize was won by Lucy Raymont, The Gary Stavrou Award for Adjustive Skills was won by Harry Davis; The Ed Devereaux Award for contributions to the Student Body was won by Nicholas Miller.

Master of Ceremonies Mr. Stephen Esposito was warmly received and conducted an enjoyable evening. The goal of the Chiropractic Alumni is to provide continuity and a sense of pride to graduates of the Sydney College of Chiropractic and Macquarie University. We welcome the Class of 2009 (pictured below left) as colleagues and wish them every success in their careers as chiropractors.

