

**THURSDAY
AUG. 29
2024**

**University
of Rochester**

*School of Medical
and Dentistry*

601 Elmwood Ave,
Rochester, NY 14642

**2024
Deaf ROC
Conference**

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8 - 9 a.m.

**Registration and
Continental Breakfast**
Sarah Flaum Atrium

9 - 9:15 a.m.

Welcome and Intro
Steven Dewhurst, PhD and
Gerry Buckley, EdD
Class of 62 Auditorium

9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Keynote Presentation
Leading in Difficult Times
Carol Padden, PhD
Class of 62 Auditorium

10:15 - 10:30 a.m.

BREAK WITH REFRESHMENTS

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. | PANEL DISCUSSIONS

Please choose one discussion from the three options below.

Publication Know How

Facilitated by Brittany Watterson, BS, MS



Michelle Carr, PhD, Tyler James, PhD,
MCHES, Patricia White, PhD, and PJ
Simpson-Haidaris, PhD

1-9525/35 Northeastern Room

Graduate Mentorship

Facilitated by Sara Blick-Nitko, PhD



Craig Morrell, PhD, Pat Murphy, PhD,
Aileen Aldur, PhD, and Athena Willis, PhD

1-9545 Natapow Room

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10:30 - 11:30 a.m. | PANEL DISCUSSIONS - CONT'D
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**Experiences, Strengths, and Challenges
of Pursuing My Career Path**
Facilitated by Michelle Koplitz, MHS
Mariam Paracha, PharmD, Alesia Allen, PhD,
Amie Fornah Sankoh, PhD
1-9555 Louise Slaughter Room

**11:30 a.m. -
12:30 p.m.**

Keynote Presentation
Neuroplasticity in Language
Bradley White, PhD
Class of 62 Auditorium

12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

LUNCH

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Keynote Presentation
**Competency in Leadership:
Collaborative**
Christopher "Chris" Woodfill, MS, MA
Class of 62 Auditorium

2:30 - 2:45 p.m.

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2:45 - 3:45 p.m. | PANEL DISCUSSIONS
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3:45 - 4:30 p.m.

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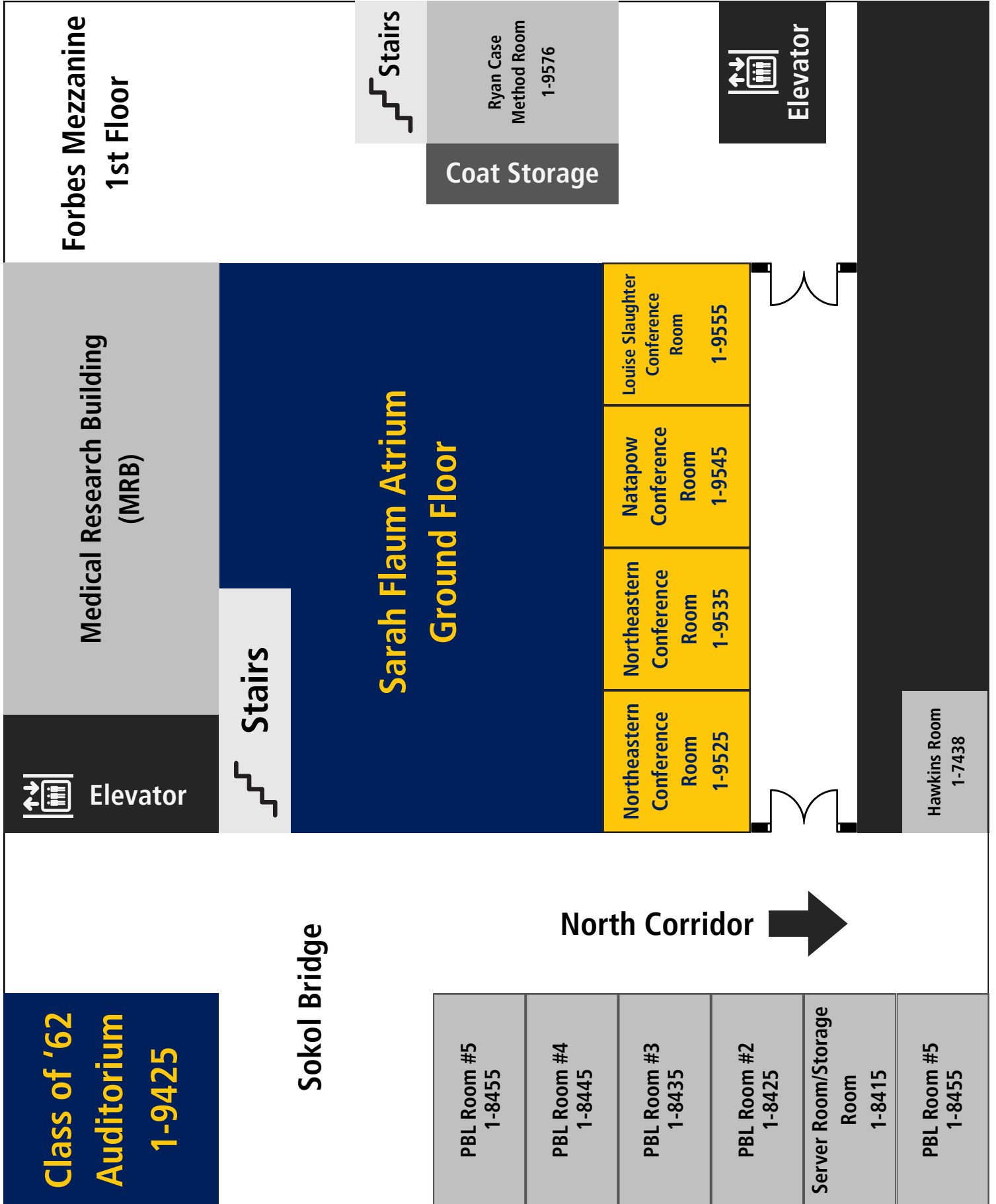
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4:45 - 6:30 p.m.

AWARDS AND RECEPTION

*Hilton Garden Inn
30 Celebration Drive*

First Floor Layout of the Conference Center Area



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**LOCATED IN STUDENT
DEVELOPMENT CENTER 1300/1310**

8 - 9 a.m.

**Registration and
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9 - 9:45 a.m.

**Unveiling Resilience: A Journey
through Graduate School -
Empowering Mental Wellness,
Self-Advocacy, and the Discovery
of New Dreams and Self-Potential**

Keynote

Amie Fornah Sankoh, PhD

9:45 - 10 a.m.

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10 - 10:45 a.m.

**Competency in Leadership:
Collaborative**

Keynote

Christopher "Chris" Woodfill, MS, MA

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DHH Scholars Panel Session

*Moderated by Mariam Paracha, PharmD
Savannah Tellander, Hannah DeFelice,
Hayden Orr, and Morgan Singleton*

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At the Dyer Arts Gallery Center

**Undergraduate Mentorship
Panel Session**

Moderated by Alesia Allen, PhD

*Rain Bosworth, PhD, Wendy
Dannels, Lea Michel, PhD, and
Allison Fitch, PhD*

1:15 - 2:15 p.m.

Closing Remarks and Awards

*Gerry Buckley, EdD, and
Tiffany Panko, MD, MBA*

2:15 - 2:45 p.m.

THANK YOU FOR COMING!

Have you attended or missed the conference yet?

Please take the survey below and share your thoughts for the next conference.

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