

## **The Honorands of The 2006 Commencement**

### **Nawal M. Nour Doctor of Science**

Nawal M. Nour is an obstetrician and gynecologist at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston and an assistant professor at the Harvard Medical School. She is director of the hospital's African Women's Health Center and of its Obstetric Resident Practice. A Sudanese-American born in Khartoum, Sudan, Dr. Nour was raised in Egypt and England. She earned a B.A. from Brown University in 1988, an M.D. from the Harvard Medical School in 1994, and a master of public health degree from Harvard in 1999. She founded the African Women's Health Center the same year; the center is the first (and only) African health practice in the United States that focuses on the physical and emotional needs of women who have undergone female genital cutting as a cultural practice. Dr. Nour was awarded a 2003 MacArthur Foundation Fellowship for her efforts on national and international levels to educate patients and their families as well as obstetrician-gynecologists on the policy implications and the health consequences of female circumcision.