Welcome to Volume 1, Issue 1 of the Office of Research and Scholarship (ORS) newsletter!

The goal for the newsletter is to communicate with you about some of the many great things going on with faculty and students scholarship. Communication is one of the biggest challenges in an organization or any other group. With everyone’s busy lives and schedules, it is easy to understand why. Even in my own family, I often hear, “you didn’t tell me that” about something of importance. It’s not so different in SON! The ORS newsletter is just one additional avenue for better communication.

Speaking of communication, it was awesome to sit down and talk one on one with nearly all the faculty in my 1st year in this role. I learned a lot from each of you. I hope you learned something from me and that we set mutually negotiated goals for individual scholarship. Please remember that those cheerleading, mentoring opportunities aren’t over. Advising each of you on next steps in your scholarship journey, helping with things like CV’s or where to start to write a grant or manuscript, or working smart to develop a program of research and scholarship and set yourself up to be recognized as an expert even beyond the walls of UMMC (and get promoted along the way!) are highlights of my day. Please schedule an appointment. No matter what stage of your career, we all benefit from a mentor who helps us moving forward!

I have two requests. Please remember to send Marla and me any publications with the complete citation, as well as any presentations. Indicate whether it is podium or poster, the date given, title of the presentation, all coauthors and the conference including the location. We continue to track these and often we don’t know.

The second thing I want to communicate is to look at the ORS Canvas page. It is a resource designed for you. It is a work in progress, so check it occasionally to see what else has been added. If there is anything you think should be added, please let me know.
PhD Student Presents In London

PhD Student Carolann Risley presented at the 2nd International Congress on Contemporary Issues in Women Cancers and Gynecologic Oncology in London, UK, this past August 29-30, 2017. The title of her presentations was “Adolescent Premalignant Cervical Disease and Delayed HPV Vaccination” where she was the PI for the research, and “Cytology abnormalities detected with glacial acetic acid (GAA)-treated thin preps for satisfactory cervical cancer screening” where she was co-investigator with Dr. Kim Geisinger.

Two of the highlights of her trip were when she visited the Florence Nightingale Museum and when she told the tour guide that she was a nurse researcher and he said “That’s great! So you provide the blue print and foundation for our healthcare system!” She thanked him for his insight into the value of research.

PhD Students Complete Their Degree Requirements

Congratulations to Tina Ferrell and Jonathan Wilson who completed all requirements for the PhD degree.

The title of Tina Ferrell’s dissertation is “Nursing Professional Identity: The Experiences and Meanings for Nurses in Senior Leadership Positions”. Her committee members were Marcia M. Rachel, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, Chairperson; Frances C. Henderson, EdD, MSN; Janet Y. Harris, DNP, RN, NEA-BC; Scott Coffey, PhD; Jean Walker, PhD, RN.

Jonathan Wilson’s dissertation title is “Civilian Disaster Healthcare Response Systems: An Exploratory Study Using the e-Delphi Technique”. Jonathan’s committee was composed by Kim W. Hoover, PhD, RN, Chairperson; Kendall McKenzie, MD; Lei Zhang, PhD, MSc, MBA; Mary Stewart PhD, RN; Tina Martín, PhD, RN, FNP BC.

DNP Student Completes Degree Requirements

Congratulations to Rachel Lee who completed all requirements for the DNP program. The title of Rachel’s project was “Effectiveness of Patient-Centered Weight Management Counseling In Overweight and Obese Adults in a Primary Care Setting: A systematic Review and Meta-Analysis”. Her committee members were Molly Moore DNP, RN, FNP BC and Robin Christian, DNP, RN, FNP BC.

Inspirational Quote:

“I was taught that the way of progress is neither swift nor easy”

Marie Curie,
Physicist and chemist
Hall K., Robinson J.C. (2017). The association between maternal exposure to pollutant particulate matter 2.5 and neonatal congenital heart defects: a systematic review protocol. JBI Database of Systematic Reviews and Implementation Reports, 15(9):2257-2264.


Ware, R. Moore, M. (2017) Validity of measures of neurological status used for predicting functional independence in adults after a cerebrovascular accident: A systematic review protocol. JBI Database of Systematic Reviews and Implementation Reports. 15 (3) 603-606.


GRANTS 2017

Congratulations to Mary “Kate” Fouquier, Associate Professor on receiving the award from HRSA for her grant submission of “Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention-Interprofessional Collaborative Practice”.

McElwain Sharon, Jackson Mary (2017). Seeing the Big-Picture: Using High-Fidelity Simulators and Standardized Patients to Foster Patient Centered Care, Human Patient Simulation Network World Conference. Ponte Vedra Beach, FL.

Clayton Jill (2017). The Effect of Sustained Delivery of NPY Receptor Antagonist on Body, Southern Biomedical Engineering Conference. Gulfport, MS.


Northington LaDonna, Bidwell, Josei, Lee Lishia (2017). Changing Paradigms for Pediatric Nursing Students Clinical Experiences: Establishing a Pediatric Dedicated Education Unit (DEU) at an Academic Health Science Center - The SPN 27th Annual Conference. West Beach Palm, Florida.

Recent Presentations


DID YOU KNOW?

RedCap is replacing Survey Monkey and spreadsheets such as Excel and SPSS as the database for research data and management. The UMMC Center for Informatics and Analytics (CIA), UMMC Office of Research, IRB, and UMMC Compliance have worked together to mandate and assure implementation of RedCap. The good news is that RedCap appears to be pretty easy to use! And training is available. REDCap is a secure web application for building and managing online surveys and databases.

REDCap provides automated export procedures for seamless data downloads to Excel and common statistical packages, as well as a built-in project calendar, a scheduling module, ad hoc reporting tools, and advanced features, such as branching logic, file uploading, and calculated fields.

Upcoming Events

APHA - November 4-8, 2017 - Atlanta, GA

AHA - November 11-15, 2017 - Anaheim, CA

SNRS - March 21-24, 2018 - Atlanta, GA

SBM - April 11-14, 2018 - New Orleans, LA

Available Resources

Free ACSM webinar: “Making your Science Understandable to the Public”. Visit the member page acsm.org and navigate to membership/my resources/professional development to view this free webinar.

Register for the “Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute’s (PCORI) 2017 Annual Meeting, October 31-November 2 in suburban Washington, D.C.

Congratulations Dr. Fletcher!

NINR recently announced the appointment of six new members to the National Advisory Council for Nursing Research (NACNR).

The NACNR meets three times a year to provide guidance on the direction of nursing research. Dr. Fletcher was appointed for a three year term.