

2019 – 2020 Executive Committee

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Like everyone else, we spent much of the spring moving CHP courses and Library services online, but there are several additional things to highlight from the past year.

CHP Highlights

- Accreditation was reaffirmed for the Physical Therapy, Medical Technology and Biotechnology programs.
- The Respiratory Therapy program developed a four-course micro-credential for Post-acute Respiratory Care that will be available to current students and practicing Respiratory Therapists beginning in 2021.
- CHP has a long-standing post-baccalaureate program for underrepresented and/or disadvantaged students seeking admission to the College of Medicine but needing an academic boost in the sciences. In 2019-20 this Medical Scholars program was modified to a one-year format, and a parallel Medical Preparation Enhancement (MedPrep) program was added. In this inaugural year all of the students in these MS in Medical Technology programs were accepted to Upstate's COM.
- Commencement was held virtually on May 1 followed by a CHP post-Commencement Virtual Reception honoring our 173 graduates that evening.

Library Highlights

- Re-opening on July 6
- The Library implemented a CLRC Health program, working with the Central New York Library Resources Council to provide reference services for participating local hospitals without medical libraries
- Several new electronic resources have been purchased at the request of faculty to support the move to online learning, including several new journals, videos, and e-books.
 - If additional resources are needed, please contact us at library@upstate.edu
- The Library created and maintains a highly-used Covid-19 subject guide that takes you directly to corona virus information in our licensed resources, expert database search strings, and educational resources to help those helping school-aged children.
 - We also partnered with Onondaga Public Library to 3D print 1,000 face shields

Awards, grants, and publications

- In the fall of 2019, Nicole DeRosa, of the Medical Technology department, received a NIH03 Award for a project titled *Behavioral Economic Approach to Improving Communication Variability and Treatment Efficacy*.
- Andy Craig, of the Behavioral Analysis department, received the 2020 American Psychological Association's B.F. Skinner Foundation New Researcher Award.

- Abigail Smith, from the Library, was an author on a systematic review published in the journal *Nutrients*, *Effect of Synthetic Vitamin A and Probiotics Supplementation for Prevention of Morbidity and Mortality during the Neonatal Period. A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Studies from Low- and Middle-Income Countries*.