The Faculty Commons

“commons”: (n) a place where members of a community meet for sharing, support and recognition

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2015 Faculty Toolbox Workshop

The Office of Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development proudly sponsors Faculty Toolbox Workshops each year. The Faculty Toolbox Workshop for 2015 was held on April 29th and was presented by Dr. David Dunning. The title of the workshop was, "We Are All Flawed Intellects: Implications for Judgment, Learning, and Practice", and was attended by members of Upstate’s faculty from all of the colleges.

Dr. David Dunning is Professor of Psychology at Cornell University, where he has been since receiving his PhD from Stanford University and his BA from Michigan State University. An author of over 130 scholarly articles, book chapters, and commentaries, his primary research focus is on the psychology of human misbelief, in particular the misconceptions people hold of their own competence and character, described in his paper, "We Are All Confident Idiots." His research has been supported by the National Institutes of Health, National Science Foundation, and the Templeton Foundation. He has also written for a general audience in the Chronicle of Higher Education, The Guardian, Pacific Standard and Scientific American MIND. His work has been discussed in the New York Times, The Atlantic, National Public Radio, BBC, CBC, Slate, and even a Doonesbury cartoon.  

( Photo by Michele Henderson)
Honors and Awards - Congratulations to:

Ran D. Anbar, MD, *Pediatrics*, was honored by the American Society of Clinical Hypnosis on March 30, 2015 with the William C. Wester Award for "Excellence in Child Hypnosis." This award recognizes his significant contributions to the field of hypnosis as applied to the treatment of children, and research in the application of hypnosis with children.

Lenore L. Boris, JD, MS, Associate Dean at the Binghamton Clinical Campus was awarded her PhD in Nursing from the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee.

Bradley G. Olson, MD, MS, *Pediatrics*, has been selected to receive the FACT² Excellence in Instruction, State-Operated and Statutory Campuses Award. The FACT² awards are conferred to acknowledge and provide system-wide recognition for consistently professional achievement and to encourage the ongoing pursuit of excellence. These awards underscore SUNY’s commitment to the use of technology to support access to superior education, advancing the boundaries of knowledge, and serving the public good. Through these awards, SUNY publicly proclaims its pride in the accomplishment and personal dedication of its Instructional Faculty and Technology Support Professionals. The Award was presented at CIT at SUNY Geneseo on May 27, 2015.

William F. Paolo, MD, *Emergency Medicine*, received the Certificate of Recognition for Excellence in Peer Review and Critical Analysis of Scientific Manuscripts as one of the Top 50 Peer Reviewers for *Annals of Emergency Medicine*.

Anna Shapiro, MD, *Radiation Oncology*, received the 2015 Humanitarian Award from The Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund of CNY for her contributions to the treatment of breast cancer patients and to related research. Dr. Shapiro is affiliated with the Upstate Cancer Center and Upstate’s multidisciplinary Breast Care Clinic. She received her award at the annual Baldwin Gala, April 21, at the Turning Stone Resort in Verona.

Ruth Weinstock, MD, PhD, *Medicine*, received an "Appreciation Award" for being Protocol Chair of a recently completed multicenter study entitled "Severe Hypoglycemia in Older Adults with Type 1 Diabetes: A Study to Identify Factors Associated with the Occurrence of Severe Hypoglycemia in Older Adults with T1D." Dr. Weinstock received her award on April 16, 2015, at the annual meeting of the Type 1 Diabetes (T1D) Exchange Network (a network of 75 diabetes centers across the US that conduct type 1 diabetes research).

Anthony P. Weiss, MD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, received a Partners in Excellence award from Partners Healthcare for work previously done at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Department of Medicine – The following faculty members received awards for their excellence in teaching:

Dr. Peter Cronkright
Dr. Timothy Ford
Dr. Stephen Knohl
Dr. Michael Maguire

Dr. Amit Dhamoon
Dr. Vincent Frechette
Dr. David Landsberg
Dr. Anthony Watson

Leadership in Service

National Leadership

William J. Brunken, PhD, FARVO, Ophthalmology, co-moderated the ‘Müller Cells in Health and Disease’ paper session with Sayon Roy, PhD, at the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology meeting, Denver, CO, May, 2015.

Richard Cantor, MD, Emergency Medicine, was chosen to serve on the Pediatric Emergency Medicine Assembly Planning Committee of the American College of Emergency Physicians.

Peter D. Calvert, PhD, Ophthalmology, moderated the ‘Imaging Cells/Retina/Vessels’ poster session at the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology meeting, Denver, CO, May 7, 2015.

Mohamed SA Elfar, MD, Surgery, served as a Moderator at the Poster Rounds with Professors & Authors, at the American Burn Association 47th Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 21-24, 2015.

Gary A. Johnson, MD, Chair, Emergency Medicine, has been appointed Section Editor for ED Administration for the Western Journal of Emergency Medicine: Integrating Emergency Care with Population Health (West JEM).

Donna Osterhout, PhD, Cell and Developmental Biology, was elected to the Governing Council of the American Society for Neurochemistry in Jan. 2015.
M. Saeed Sheikh, MD, PhD, Pharmacology, served as a grant reviewer on the NIH/NAID Special Review Panel ZAI1-LAR-I (M1), ZAI1-PA-I (M2) Centers for Medical Countermeasures against Radiation Consortium, March 2015.


Andrea S. Viczian, PhD, Ophthalmology, co-moderated the ‘Stem Cells in Development and Disease’ paper session with Iqbal Ahmad, PhD at the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology meeting, Denver, CO, May 5, 2015.

Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, Medicine, served on the NIH/NEI Data and Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB) of the Diabetic Retinopathy Clinical Research Network DRCR, Coordinating Center of the Jaeb Center for Health Research Foundation, Inc. (JCHR), April 21, 2015.

Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, Medicine, served on the NIH (NIDDK) Special Emphasis Review Panel for the Extramural Loan Repayment Program (LRP) for Clinical Researchers (NOT-OD-05-58) and for Pediatric Researchers (NOT-OD-05-057), April 24, 2015.

Anthony P. Weiss, MD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, was appointed Chair of the Standards and Ethics Committee of the American Neuropsychiatric Association.

Michael E. Zuber, PhD, Ophthalmology, co-moderated the ‘Fundamentals of Ocular Development: Building an Eye Through Powerful Connections and Interactions’ symposium with Monica Vetter, PhD, at the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology meeting, Denver, CO, May 7, 2015.

State and Local Leadership

Robert Gregory, MD, Chair, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, will serve on a task force that will examine pediatric mental health services in Central New York. The task force is being organized by US Representative John Katko and Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli, and will explore available care options for children and adolescents in the region and recommend methods to improve access to that care. Linda McAleer, RN, director of nursing in the Golisano Childrens' Hospital, and Jennifer March, LMSW, a social worker at GCH, will also serve on the task force.

Brian Johnson, MD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, was appointed to the Medical Society of the State of New York Addiction & Psychiatry Medicine Committee at the annual House of Delegates meeting of the Medical Society of the State of New York, Saratoga Springs, NY, May 2015.
David Pruyn, PhD, *Cell and Developmental Biology*, organized and hosted the Upstate New York *C. elegans* Meeting on April 25, 2015 at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

### Grants Awarded

**Jeffrey Amack, PhD, Cell & Developmental Biology, PI**
Central New York Community Foundation
Study of the Genes and Mechanisms Involved in a Condition Known as Left-Right Asymmetry
4/1/2015-3/31/2016
$32,000

**William J. Brunken, PhD, Ophthalmology, PI**
National Institutes of Health: National Eye Institute
Role of Extracellular Matrix in Retinal Development and Disease
4/1/2015-3/31/2020
$2,225,437

**Christopher N. Fortner, MD, Pediatrics, PI**
Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc.
A Phase 3, Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Parallel-Group Study to Evaluate the Efficacy and Safety of VX-661 in Combination With Ivacaftor in Subjects Aged 12 Years and Older With Cystic Fibrosis, Homozygous for the F508del-CFTR Mutation (VX14-661-106)
4/15/2015-4/14/2016

**Vivian Gahtan, MD, Surgery, PI**
Society for Vascular Surgery
Effects of COMP on Gene Expression and Protein Synthesis in Human Vascular Smooth Muscle Cells
6/1/2015-8/31/2015
$3,000

**Teresa C. Gentile, MD, PhD, Medicine, PI**
TG Therapeutics Inc.
A Phase 3, Randomized, Study to Assess the Efficacy and Safety of Ublituximab in Combination with Ibrutinib Compared to Ibrutinib Alone, in Patients with Previously Treated High-Risk Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL)
3/11/2015-3/10/2020

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Huaiyu Hu, PhD, *Neuroscience & Physiology*, PI  
NIH: Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development  
Mechanisms of Cognitive Deficits in Dystroglycanopathies  
1/3/2015-1/31/2016  
$2,827,521

Karol Kerr, MD, *Pediatrics*, PI  
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia  
Health Effects after Anthracycline and Radiation Therapy (HEART) - Dexazoxane and Prevention of Anthracycline-related Cardiomyopathy  

Dragos Mihaila, MD, *Neurology*, PI  
Acorda Therapeutics  
A Phase 3, Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled Study Investigating the Efficacy and Safety of CVT-301 (Levodopa Inhalation Powder) in Parkinson's Disease Patients With Motor Response Fluctuations (OFF Phenomena)  

Nicholas E. Nacca, MD, *Emergency Medicine*, PI  
American Academy of Clinical Toxicology  
Can Lactic Acidosis Cause a False Elevation in Ethanol Measurement Using an LDH Dependent Ethanol Assay?  
2/15/2015-2/14/2016  
$5,716

Gary F. Nieman, MS, *Surgery*, PI  
American Medical Association Foundation  
Mechanism for Ventilator Induced Lung Injury  
$2,500

Cerulean Pharma Inc.  
A Randomized, Phase 2 Study to Assess the Safety and Efficacy of CRLX101 in Combination with Bevacizumab in Patients with Metastatic Renal Cell Carcinoma (RCC) Versus Standard of Care (SOC) (Investigator's Choice)  
2/12/2015-2/11/2016

Cristina Pope, MS, MSM, AHIP, *Library*, PI  
University of Pittsburgh  
National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM) Middle Atlantic Region  
1/1/2015-4/30/2015  
$40,000
**Grants**

**Rahul Seth, DO, Medicine, PI**  
OncoMed Pharmaceuticals Inc.  
A 3-Arm Phase 2 Double-Blind Randomized Study of Gemcitabine, Abraxane Plus Placebo versus Gemcitabine, Abraxane plus 1 or 2 Truncated Courses of Demcizumab in Subjects with 1st-line Locally Advanced or Metastatic Pancreatic Cancer  
1/9/2014-1/1/2015

**JC Trussell, MD, Urology, PI**  
Pennsylvania State University  
A RCT of Preconception Weight Loss vs OCP in Overweight Infertile PCOS Women  
7/1/2014-6/30/2015  
$20,907

**Wei-Dong Yao, PhD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, PI**  
NIH: National Institute of Drug Abuse  
Dopaminergic Enabling of Synaptic Plasticity in Prefrontal Circuits  
10/1/2014-3/31/2015  
$406,441

**Publications**


Abouelleil M, Chelluri R, Daugherty M, **Bratslavsky G**, Shapiro O. In obese patients, the distance between skin and renal collecting system changes with the position of the patient from supine to prone. *J Endourol* 2015 Mar 26. PMID: 25809826


McConelle MF, **Cantor RC.** Ultrasound evaluation of urachal abscess in a young infant. *Pediatric Emergency Care* 2015; 31:135
Publications


Margulies BS, DeBoyace SD, Parsons AM, Policastro CG, Ee JS, Damron TS. Functionally deficient mesenchymal stem cells reside in the bone marrow niche with M2-macrophages and amyloid-β protein adjacent to lose total joint implants. *J Orthop Res* 2015 May;33(5):615-624
Publications


Pies RW. Geppert CMA. Clinical depression or “life sorrows”? Distinguishing between grief and depression in pastoral care. Ministry [E-pub May, 2015 https://www.ministrymagazine.org/archive/2015/05/depression


Published Abstracts


Books and Book Chapters

**Chin, LS, Regine WF (eds.)** Principles and Practice of Stereotactic Radiosurgery, 2nd ed. Springer NY.

Posters


Granato, PA, Lillie, JL. Evaluation of the verigene RP Flex investigational use only test for detecting viral and bacterial respiratory pathogens in nasopharyngeal and simulated specimens. 31st Annual Meeting of the Clinical Virology Symposium and Pan American Society for Clinical Virology. Daytona Beach, FL, April, 2015
Greene-Donnelly K, Ogden K. Evaluation of commercially available extension plates for the ACR CT accreditation phantom. AAPM Annual Meeting, Anaheim, CA, July 2015

Heyboer M, Smith G, Santiago W, Wojcik S. Hyperbaric oxygen therapy effects on blood pressure. UHMS Annual Scientific Assembly, Montreal, Quebec, May 23, 2015


Mann KA, Oest ME, et al. Bone cells with primary cilia exhibit high localized strains near the cilium base when subjected to dynamics fluid flow. Annual Meeting of the Orthopaedic Research Society, Las Vegas, NV, Mar. 2015

DeBoyace SD, Parsons AM, Ee JS, Margulies BS. The regulation of bone formation and bone re-absorption by the repulsive guidance molecules. Annual Meeting of the Orthopaedic Research Society, Las Vegas, NV, Mar. 2015


Bansal N, Nadkarni P, Dhaliwal R. Clinical importance of being ‘empty.’ 97th Annual Meeting & Expo of the Endocrine Society, San Diego, CA, March 5-8, 2015

Nelsen EK, Olson B. Relationship between in-training exam score and faculty assessment of medical knowledge milestone. Pediatric Academic Societies, San Diego, CA, Apr 2015

Nelsen EK. Pediatric resident satisfaction with an academic half-day. Association of Pediatric Program Directors, Orlando, FL, Mar 2015


Thakur N, DeBoyace SD, Margulies BS. The regulation of bone formation by the met-5-enkephalin-opioid growth factor receptor signaling axis. Annual Meeting of the Orthopaedic Research Society, Las Vegas, NV, Mar. 2015


**Posters**


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**Presentations**

**International**

*Dale Avers, PT, DPT, PhD, FAPTA,*  *Physical Therapy Education– College of Health Professions,* presented an all day course titled “Update in Geriatric Physical Therapy” at the World Congress of Physical Therapy in Singapore, May, 2015.

*Gennady Bratslavsky, MD,*  Chair, *Urology,* presented “Molecular Testing for Prostate Cancer in the US” and “Metastatic RCC: Role of Cytoreductive Nephrectomy and Metastasectomy in 2015” at the International Scientific Conference – Achievements and Future in Urologic Oncology of Reconstructive Surgery, in Kiev, Ukraine, April 22-26, 2015.

*Gennady Bratslavsky, MD,*  Chair, *Urology,* presented “Kidney Cancer Updates 2015: Surgical Oncology” and “Challenges and Opportunities for Non Clear Cell RCC: Surgical Oncology Perspective” at the International Kidney Cancer Conference, Morristown, NJ, April 16-18, 2015.


Oleg Shapiro, MD, Urology, presented “Radiation After Prostatectomy: Case Based Presentation and AUA Guidelines” and “Urinary Diversions: Outcomes, Complications and Quality of Life” at the International Scientific Conference – Achievements and Future in Urologic Oncology of Reconstructive Surgery, in Kiev, Ukraine, April 22-26, 2015.

Paula M. Trief, PhD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, presented, “Psychosocial Outcomes of Couples vs. Individual Phone Interventions for Type 2 Diabetes: The Diabetes Support Project” at the Psychosocial Aspects of Diabetes (PSAD) Study Group Meeting, Malmo, Sweden, April 17-19, 2015. Upstate co-authors are Don Cibula, PhD, Public Health & Preventive Medicine, Jacqueline Dimmock, PhD, and Pat Forken, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, and Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, Medicine.

Anthony P. Weiss, MD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, presented “Population Management of Chronic Care – Focus on Mental Health” at the World Congress Health Care Predictive Analytics Summit meeting, Boston, MA, Oct. 2014.

National

Richard Cantor, MD, Emergency Medicine, presented “Mistakes You Don’t Want to Make in Pediatric Patients,” at the Maryland Chapter, American College of Emergency Physicians Scientific Assembly, Baltimore, MD, March 20, 2015.


Richard Cantor, MD, Emergency Medicine, presented “Classic Pediatric Poisonings” at the Annual North Shore Hospital Pediatric Teaching Day, New York, NY, April 22, 2015.

Richard Cantor, MD, Emergency Medicine, presented “Advances in Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Mistakes You Don’t Want to Make in Pediatric Patients” as a Visiting Professor at the Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC, April 24, 2015.
Marvin Heyboer III, MD and Susan Wojcik, PhD, ATC. *Emergency Medicine*, presented “Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy Effects on Blood Pressure,” at the UHMS Annual Scientific Assembly, Montreal, Quebec, June 20, 2015.


Brooke A. Levandowski, PhD, *Family Medicine*, presented “Safety Planning Update” at the VA/DoD Suicide Prevention Conference: One Connection, One Conversation, One Small Act- It Matters, Dallas, TX, Jan. 2015.

Brooke A. Levandowski, PhD, *Family Medicine*, presented “Experiences With Safety Planning Among Veteran Health Administration (VHA) Providers Serving A Large, Southeastern Metropolitan Area” at the American Association of Suicidology Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, April 2015.


Joseph Sorbello, MSEd, RT, RRT, *Respiratory Therapy Education – College of Health Professions*, presented a four hour workshop entitled, "Focus on Education Workshop: We’re ALL Educators!" at the+ Spring FOCUS Respiratory and Sleep Conference, Disney World (Orlando), FL, May 2015.

Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, *Medicine*, presented “Severe Hypoglycemia in Older Adults” at the T1D Exchange Annual Meeting: The Patient-Centric Approach to Diabetes, Boston, MA, May 1, 2015.

Anthony P. Weiss, MD, *Psychiatry Behavioral Sciences*, was the keynote speaker at the Health and Hospitals Corporation-Committee of Interns and Residents Patient Safety Forum, New York, NY, Dec. 2014.

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**State & Local**


Michelle Dolphin, PT, DPT, MS, OCS, *Physical Therapy Education – College of Health Professions*, presented “Contemporary Pain Sciences and Relevance to Pelvic Floor Disorders” at the Central New York Pelvic Floor Meeting, Cicero, NY, Apr. 2015.
**Presentations**

**Paul A. Granato, PhD, Pathology,** presented “Molecular Diagnostics Made Easy for the Small and Medium Size Clinical Microbiology Laboratory” at the Clinical Laboratory Managers’ Association meeting, Syracuse, NY, April, 2015.

**Marvin Heyboer III, MD, Emergency Medicine,** presented “An Introduction to Undersea & Hyperbaric Medicine” at the SUNY Buffalo Department of Emergency Medicine, Buffalo, NY, April 14, 2015.


**Brian Johnson, MD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences,** presented “Heroin and Other Drugs on Campus,” at SUNY Oswego, Oswego, NY, April 24, 2015 and at SUNY Polytechnic President’s Lecture, Utica, NY, April 14, 2015.


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**Community**

Upstate Medical University's hour-long talk radio program, "HealthLink on Air" appears from 9 to 10 p.m. Sundays on WRVO Public Media. Each interview segment is archived at [www.upstate.edu/healthlinkonair](http://www.upstate.edu/healthlinkonair) as well. Many of the interviews draw on the expertise of Upstate faculty. To suggest an interview, please contact Amber Smith in Marketing & University Communications at smithamb@upstate.edu or 464-4822. The following members of the faculty participated in the past quarter:

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**Department News**

Department of Ophthalmology –

**William J. Brunken, PhD, FARVO, Ophthalmology**, Director of the Center for Vision Research, and the Department of Ophthalmology successfully launched the Robert B. Barlow Vision Research Seminar Series on May 12-13 with a presentation by Dr. Timothy Kraft from the University of Alabama, Birmingham.

**Promotions**

**Mirza Beg, MD, Pediatrics**, was promoted to Associate Professor, May 2015.

**Jayne Charlamb, MD, Obstetrics & Gynecology**, was promoted to Associate Professor, May 2015.

**Deborah Goldman, MD, Pediatrics**, was promoted to Associate Professor, December 2014.

**Andrzej Krol, MD, Radiology**, was promoted to Professor (previously tenured), May 2015.

**Robert Stoppacher, MD, Pathology**, was promoted to Associate Professor, May 2015.

**Zulma Tovar-Spinoza, MD, Neurosurgery**, was promoted to Associate Professor, May 2015.
New Faculty

Kenneth Clark, MD, Assistant Professor, Pathology
Dr. Clark received his medical degree from and completed his residency at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. He pursued additional training in Neuropathology at the University of Pittsburgh and Forensic Pathology at Allegheny County Office of the Medical Examiner.

I. Federico Fernandez Nievas, MD, Assistant Professor, Pediatrics
Dr. Fernandez Nievas received his medical degree from the Universidad Nacional de Buenos Aires and completed his residency at Maimonides Infants & Children’s Hospital. He joins us from the faculty of Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine of Case Western Reserve University.

Santiago Miro, MD, Assistant Professor, Radiology
Dr. Miro received his medical degree from, and completed his residency at, the University of Montreal. He pursued additional training in Cardio-Thoracic Radiology at Stanford University Hospital. He has been on the faculty at the University of Vermont, Universite Laval, and the University of Massachusetts.

Faculty Governance

There are several important Faculty Governance elections that will be conducted in the near future. Please consider nominating yourself or another faculty member (with their approval) to run for election to the SUNY-wide Faculty Senate or to one of the Upstate Faculty Council’s four standing committees.

SUNY-Wide Senate
The campus needs to elect one new senator and one alternate senator.

SUNY’s University Faculty Senate is the agency by which faculty from all SUNY campuses collectively participate in SUNY governance. The Senate’s function is to give faculty a voice to influence educational and professional policies within the SUNY system. The Senate is broken into sectors, of which Upstate is one of 5 campuses in the Hospital and Health Science sector. At each of the 3 plenary sessions per year, each Sector makes a report of issues discussed with the Chancellor for her immediate reaction and input. Senator duties include attending three annual SUNY-wide plenary sessions, as well as participating as a voting member on the Upstate Faculty Council.
Faculty Governance

For more information about the Senate please see the following links below or contact an existing Upstate faculty senator:
http://www.upstate.edu/facgov/senate.php
http://www.suny.edu/facultysenate

Faculty Council Standing Committees
The campus needs to elect four new members (with broad representation across the colleges and library) to each of the Academic Affairs, Upstate Affairs, Faculty Affairs and Operations Committees.

Under the new Faculty Governance by-laws, a committee structure establishes the mechanism to address cross-college issues. Each committee’s membership represents all colleges.

The web page for the committees’ general scope and their current membership is http://www.upstate.edu/facgov/council/committees.php

Faculty Development - Upcoming Events

Please RSVP to Michele Henderson at (hendermi@upstate.edu) or telephone (315-464-1681) if you are interested in attending any of the following events.

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Medical Education Journal Club - Monday June 1, 2015
12-1pm
Doust Board Room (9299 WHA)

“Making Active Learning Effective”

Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology and Ann Botash, MD, Professor, Pediatrics

~ Lunch will be provided ~
Faculty Educator Development -  
Tuesday June 9, 2015  
6 - 9 pm  
Dominick’s Restaurant – 1370 Burnet Ave.

“Annual Faculty Scholars Workshop/Dinner”

For Upstate Faculty members who attended at least one Medical Education Journal Club, Faculty Educator Development Seminar, or Faculty Toolbox Workshop during the 2014-2015 academic year.

**Workshop Discussion Topic:**
“Enhancing Leadership Skills in Medical Education”

Presented by:  
**Joseph P. Stein, PhD**, Associate Professor – Pharmacology  
**Thomas Poole, PhD**, Associate Professor – Cell & Developmental Biology

*Host: Joseph P. Stein, PhD*, Professor, Department of Pharmacology;  
Faculty Educator Development Committee Chair

*Sponsored By: Paula Trief, PhD*, Senior Associate Dean,  
Office of Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development  
Professor, Departments of Psychiatry and Medicine

6 PM: Reception: Wine, cheese & hors d’ oeuvres  
6:30 PM: Dinner  
7:15 PM: Workshop

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Medical Education Journal Club -  
Monday September 14, 2015  
12-1pm  
Doust Board Room (9299 WHA)

*(Journal Article to be Announced)*

*Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD*, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology  
*and Ann Botash, MD*, Professor, Pediatrics

~ Lunch will be provided ~
Faculty Development Seminar Series – Tuesday September 22, 2015
12-1pm
Room 318 Wsk-Health Sciences Library

“Creating Video Clips for Educational Lectures”

Presenter: Bruce Searles, MS, CCP, Associate Professor & Director
Cardiovascular Perfusion- College of Health Professions

~ Lunch will be provided ~

SAVE THE DATE!

New Faculty Orientation
Wednesday September 30, 2015

Doust Board Room (9299 WHA) and the 9th Floor Cafeteria– Weiskotten Hall Addition

This is a chance to be welcomed by the leadership of the university, and to learn more about the resources that are available to new faculty as you begin your Upstate career. Feedback from past participants has been great, they especially appreciated the opportunity to meet colleagues from other departments and colleges. So, please save the date, more information will follow.

What: Interactive sessions with Upstate leaders in research, education and clinical service
When: Wed. September 30th from 2-5 PM
Where: 9th floor of Weiskotten
Why: To get a great start
What else: A wine and cheese reception will follow at 5PM, with chairs and other members of the faculty invited
Faculty Development - Website Calendar

~ For more information on all upcoming events, please visit the Faculty Affairs Website “Events Calendar”

Be Sure to Visit our “Events Calendar” on the Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development Website

To access the calendar, simply go to the home page of "faculty affairs and faculty development"  http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/ and then click on the "Events Calendar" in dark blue (on the left side of our home page).

Once you have accessed the calendar, you will see various events posted that might be of interest to you and/or members of your department. To obtain more information, simply click on the event. You will see titles, presenters, times, locations, contact information, etc.

Please Note: these events have been copied to Upstate's main website calendar as well. (Accessed from the top of the Upstate home page.)

Notes & Corrections:

Please Note:

1. In an effort to keep the Faculty Commons manageable, we will be concentrating on external presentations and service.

2. Please remember – we do not include any publications, books, book chapters, etc. that are currently “in press”. Please wait until you have publication information before you include these submissions

Useful Website Links:

Promotion and Tenure Information
http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/promotion.php

Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development
http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/

Faculty Governance
http://www.upstate.edu/facgov/