

The Faculty Commons



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

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“Community”



Pictured Left to Right: Joe Stein, Chair of the Faculty Educator Development Committee, Shuhong Luo, Amit Dhamoon, Sarah Lappin and Roberta Rolland. Photo Taken by Abigail Miller



Presenters: Jennifer Nead and Ann Botash Photo Taken by Ann Botash

Annual Faculty Scholars Workshop Dinner

The 2016 Faculty Scholars Workshop Dinner was held in the Kinney Performance Center of Golisano Children’s Hospital on Tuesday June 14th. At the dinner we welcomed Upstate faculty members who had attended a Faculty Educator Development Seminar, Faculty Toolbox workshop, or a Medical Education Journal Club meeting during the 2015-16 academic year. This year’s theme was, “Upstate Innovations in Student Education”. Three presentations were given:

The “X” Factor: Power of Observation and Feedback in Medical Education

Presented by: Sarah Lappin DO, Amit Dhamoon MD, *Medicine*

An Inpatient Oral Presentation Tool for Pediatric Clerkship Students

Presented by: Jennifer Nead, MD, Ann Botash, MD, *Pediatrics*

Engaging Students Using Technologies: Creating, Presenting, Sharing, and Collaborating

Presented by: Shuhong Luo, EdD, MSN, RN, Roberta Rolland, PhD, RN, FNP, *College of Nursing*

The annual event is sponsored by the
Office of Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development.

Honors and Awards

Honors & Awards ~ Congratulations to:

Richard Cantor, MD, *Emergency Medicine and Pediatrics*, received the "Physician of the Year" award from the New York American College of Emergency Physicians. This award has been presented since 1994, and recognizes physicians who "...have enhanced the state's healthcare system and advanced the profession of emergency medicine."

John Hoepner, MD, *Ophthalmology*, has received the 2016 University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine Distinguished Alumnus Award for Achievement. The award recognizes Hoepner as a clinician, teacher, and academic leader who has devoted his career to the quest to cure diseases that cause blindness. Hoepner is professor and chair emeritus of Ophthalmology.

Julius Gene S. Latorre, MD, MPH, *Neurology*, was elected a Fellow Member of the American Academy of Neurology.

Dmitriy Nikolavsky, MD, *Urology*, received SIU's Best Video Award, First Prize for "Transurethral Ventral Buccal Mucosa Graft Inlay Urethroplasty for Distal Urethral Strictures," to be recognized at the 36th Congress of the Societe Internationale d'Urologie, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Oct., 2016. This video was also recognized with an AUA Award Winning Video Award at the 2016 AUA Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, May 2016.

Simone Seward, MPH, *Public Health & Preventive Medicine*, received the President's Award for Community Service Team as part of the Healthy Neighbors Partnership. Seward has been an Advisory Board member since 2013.

Paul F. Shanley, MD, *Pathology*, was selected by graduates of Upstate's 2016 College of Medicine class to receive the Syracuse Medical Alumni Association's Phillip B. Armstrong Award. The award was established by the Class of 1943 to honor Phillip B. Armstrong, MD, who was professor and chair of Upstate's department of Anatomy for many years. The award is given to a member of the basic science faculty who has most influenced the lives of the graduates. Shanley is professor of pathology and medical director of electron microscopy at Upstate.

The following members of the faculty are recipients of a 2016 SUNY Chancellor's Award and will be recognized at the Fall Faculty Convocation, Sept. 14th:

Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities:

Gary F. Nieman, Surgery

Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching:

Ann Sutera Botash, MD, Pediatrics

Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service:

Linda J. Veit, MPH, Surgery



Honors and Awards



Leadership In Service

Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service:
Ronald D. Saletsky, PhD, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*

The following members of the faculty are recipients of a 2016 President's Award, and will be recognized at the Fall Faculty Convocation, Sept. 14th:

President's Award for Excellence in Basic Research by a Young Investigator:
Gary Ching-Tao Chan, PhD, *Microbiology & Immunology*

President's Award for Excellence and Leadership in Research:
Timothy A. Damron, MD, *Orthopedic Surgery*

President's Award for Excellence in Clinical Research by a Young Investigator:
Manika Suryadevara, MD, *Pediatrics*

President's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service:
Leonard B. Weiner, MD, *Pediatrics*

President's Award for Excellence in Teaching:
Barbara Ann (Bambi) Carkey, DNP, PMHNP-BC, NPP, *College of Nursing*
Gregory J. Healey, MD, *Family Medicine*
Dana M. Mihaila, MD, PhD, *Cell and Developmental Biology*
Patrick F. Ruggiero, MD, *Obstetrics & Gynecology – Binghamton Campus*

The following members of the faculty have been selected as members of The Academy of Upstate Educators, and will be recognized at the Fall Faculty Convocation, Sept. 14th:

Thomas L. Schwartz, MD, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*
Rebecca Greenblatt, PhD, *Microbiology & Immunology*

Leadership in Service

National Leadership

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, *Urology*, attended SUO CTC Board of Directors Meeting, at the Annual 2016 AUA Meeting, San Diego, CA, May 6, 2016.

Peter D. Calvert, PhD, *Ophthalmology*, served on the National Institute of Health, National Eye Institute's Audacious Goals grant panel, Dec. 2015.

Francesca Pignoni, PhD, *Ophthalmology*, served on the CHHD-C Study Section at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, July 2016.

Amy E. Sanders, MD, MS, FAAN, *Neurology*, has been appointed as a Facilitator for the quality measurement development process of the American Academy of Neurology Working Group on Neuro-Oncology.

Leadership In Service

Simone Seward, MPH, *Public Health & Preventive Medicine*, has been appointed to the Planning Committee for the 2017 Teaching Prevention Conference, hosted by the Association for Prevention Teaching and Research (APTR). This inter-professional conference is designed for health professions faculty who teach prevention and population health.

M. Saeed Sheikh, MD, PhD, *Pharmacology*, served on the Basic Mechanisms of Cancer Therapeutics-C (ZRG BMCT-C) study section, NIH, June 27-28, 2016.

M. Saeed Sheikh, MD, PhD, *Pharmacology*, served on the Breast Cancer Research Program (BCRP) review panel for the Department of Defense Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP), July 10-12, 2016.

Andrea S. Viczian, PhD, *Ophthalmology*, was invited to participate in the National Institute of Health, National Eye Institute's Challenge Competition meeting, Apr. 2016.

Prateek Wali, MD, *Pediatrics*, has been named to the IBD (Irritable Bowel Disease) Committee of the North American Society of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition.



State and Local Leadership

Leslie J. Kohman, MD, *Surgery*, was elected to the New York State Cancer Detection and Education Program Advisory Council. This council advises the Commissioner of Health on cancer prevention and detection issues.

University Leadership

Mantosh J. Dewan, MD, has been named as interim dean of the College of Medicine, effective Oct. 15. Dr. Dewan's service at Upstate spans more than four decades, holding numerous faculty positions in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, including a 12-year tenure as the department's chair. Dr. Dewan is a SUNY Distinguished Service Professor.

Timothy Endy, MD, MPH, has been named as interim chair of *Microbiology and Immunology*.

Robert Fechtner, MD has been named as chair of *Ophthalmology*.

Christopher Morley, PhD, MA, CAS, has been named as interim chair of *Public Health and Preventive Medicine*.

Ron Saletsky, PhD, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*, was appointed to serve on the SUNY Faculty Senate Diversity Committee.

Thomas L. Schwartz, MD, has been named as interim chair of *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*.

Service

Leadership in Education

The following faculty members have shown consistent leadership and effort in developing the new UP (Unified Pre-Clerkship) curriculum:

Molecules, Cells and Microbes - **Rebecca Greenblatt, PhD** (*Microbiology & Immunology*), & **Margaret Maimone, PhD** (*Cell & Developmental Biology*)
Musculoskeletal, Skin and Blood - **Matt Vilburn, DC** (*Cell & Developmental Biology*), **Jim Greenwald, MD** (*Family Medicine*) and **Diana Gilligan, MD, PhD** (*Medicine*)

Nervous System - **Dana Mihaila, MD, PhD** (*Cell & Developmental Biology*), **Mary Lou Vallano, PhD** (*Neuroscience & Physiology*) and **James Megna, MD, PhD**, (*Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*)

Circulatory and Respiratory I - **Robert Zajdel, PhD** (*Cell & Developmental Biology*) and **Gary Johnson, MD** (*Emergency Medicine*)

Urinary and Respiratory II - **Steve Grassl, PhD** (*Pharmacology*) and **Beth Nicholas, MD** (*Emergency Medicine*)

Gastrointestinal System - **Mark Schmitt, PhD** (*Graduate Studies*) and **Ron Szykowski, MD** (*Medicine*)

Endocrine and Reproductive Systems - **Mary Lou Vallano, PhD** (*Neuroscience & Physiology*) and **Rachel Hopkins, MD** (*Medicine*)

POM (Practice of Medicine) - **Joni Mitchell, MD** (*Medicine and Curriculum Office*) and **Alison McCrone, MD** (*Emergency Medicine*)

FRM (Foundations of Reasoning in Medicine) - **Bill Paolo, MD** (*Emergency Medicine*), **Amy Brown, MD** (*Center for Bioethics and Humanities*) and **Martha Wojtowycz, PhD** (*Public Health & Preventive Medicine*)

Joshua Steinberg MD, *Family Medicine- Clinical Campus*, collaborating with HeeRak Kang MSIV, produces free iPhone software applications on medical topics written specifically for students, residents, and clinicians in order to both educate and elevate clinical practice. We have surpassed 300,000 downloads worldwide, and wish to announce our latest offerings.

Gout Diagnosis: The app presents the gout diagnostic rule calculator for use at the point-of-care when considering gout for patients presenting with acute monoarthritis. It was developed in collaboration with the Dutch physician study author, Hein Janssens, and offers the evidence-based calculator and supporting educational material in multiple languages. The app is free for iOS (iPhone) devices, available here:

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/gout-diagnosis/id1114646056?mt=8>



Grants

Grants Awarded

Jerrold L. Abraham, MD, Pathology, PI

Richard L. Davis, MD, PhD, Pharmacology, Co-PI

Guerbet, LLC

Detection, Composition, and Neuropathological Significance of MRI Contrast Agent-derived Gadolinium Deposits in the Human Central Nervous System

3/1/16-2/28/17

\$222,003

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Urology, PI

FKD Therapies Oy

A Phase III, Open Label Study to Evaluate the Safety and Efficacy of INSTILADRIN (rAd-IFN/Syn3) Administered Intravesically to Patients with High Grade, BCG Unresponsive Non-Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer (NMIBC)

6/28/16-6/27/17

Jeffrey A. Bogart, MD, Radiation Oncology, PI

Augmenix, Inc.

Long Term Follow-up of Patients Who Had Previously Been Implanted with the SpaceOAR System Used to Create Space Between the Rectum and Prostate and Unimplanted Controls Undergoing Image Guided-Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IG-IMRT)

Dimitra Bourboulia, PhD, Urology, PI

Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund, Inc.

Targeting Extracellular Proteolysis in Invasive Breast Cancer

12/1/16-11/30/18

\$50,000

Timothy A. Damron, MD, Orthopedic Surgery, PI

Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund, Inc.

Improved Breast Cancer Care By Prediction of Impending Fractures

12/1/16-11/30/18

\$50,000

Stephen V. Faraone, PhD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, PI

Shire Pharmaceutical Development Ltd.

Prospective Follow-up Study of ADHD in Late Adolescence in France

3/1/16-2/28/17

Wenyi Feng, PhD, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, PI

Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund, Inc.

Discovery of Breast Cancer-specific Fusion Genes

12/1/16-11/30/18

\$50,000

Grants

Wenyi Feng, PhD, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, PI
National Institutes of Health: General Medical Sciences
Mechanisms of Replication Stress-induced Chromosome Fragility
07/01/2016-06/30/2021
\$1,000,000

Christopher N. Fortner, MD, Pediatrics, PI
PTC Therapeutics, Inc.
A Phase 3 Extension Study of Ataluren (PTC124) in Patients with Nonsense Mutation Cystic Fibrosis
6/22/16-5/21/17

Teresa C. Gentile, MD, PhD, Medicine, PI
TG Therapeutics, Inc.
A Multi-Center, Open-Label, Study to Evaluate the Safety and Efficacy of Ublituximab (TG-1101) in Combination with TGR-1202 for Patients Previously Enrolled in Protocol UTX-TGR-304
5/16/16-5/15/21

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 TGR-1202 Compared to Obinutuzumab in Combination with Chlorambucil in Patients with Chronic Lymphocytic
5/16/16-5/15/21

Teresa C. Gentile, MD, PhD, Medicine, PI
Astellas Pharma Global Development, Inc.
A Phase 2/3 Multicenter, Open-label, 3-arm, 2-stage Randomized Study of ASP2215 (Gilteritinib), Combination of ASP2215 Plus Azacitidine and Azacitidine Alone in Treatments of Newly Diagnosed Acute Myeloid Leukemia with FLT3 Mutation in Patients Not Eligible for Intensive Induction Chemotherapy
6/14/16-6/13/17

Heidi A. Hehnly PhD, Cell & Developmental Biology, PI
Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund, Inc.
Spatial Synchronization of a Signaling Cascade in Breast Cancer
12/1/16-11/30/18
\$50,000

Jason A. Horton, PhD, Surgery, PI
NIH: National Institute of Arthritis, Musculoskeletal & Skin
Pathophysiology of Radiation-induced Bone Loss
5/20/16-4/30/17
\$ 747,000



Grants

Karen J. Klingman, PhD, *College of Nursing*, PI
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Lighting Interventions to Reduce Circadian Disruption in Rotating Shift Workers
1/1/16-8/31/16
\$ 39,029

Bruce A. Knutson PhD, *Biochemistry & Molecular Biology*, PI
Central New York Community Foundation
Defining a New Molecular Paradigm to Target Dysregulated Pol I in Cancer
5/1/16-4/30/17
\$32,600

Melissa Ko, MD, *Neurology*, PI
Jaeb Center for Health Research, Inc.
Pediatric Eye Disease Investigator Group
7/5/16-12/31/18

Juntao Luo PhD, *Pharmacology*, PI
Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund, Inc.
A Nanotherapeutic Overcomes BBB and Drug Resistance in Breast Cancer Brain Metastases
12/1/16-11/30/18
\$50,000



Paul T. Massa PhD, *Neurology*, PI
NIH: National Institute of Neurological Disorders & Stroke
Oligodendrocyte-Specific Regulation of Mitochondrial Function
7/1/16-6/30/17
\$ 130,728

Frank A. Middleton PhD, *Neuroscience & Physiology*, PI
Baltimore Community Foundation
Specificity of miRNA Diagnostic for ASD in Children with Developmental Delay
4/1/16-3/31/17
\$ 134,000

Frank A. Middleton PhD, *Neuroscience & Physiology*, PI
Motion Intelligence, Inc.
Molecular and Functional Biomarkers of Parkinson's Disease
5/1/16-5/31/17
\$ 61,880

Gary F. Neiman, *Surgery*, PI
US Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity
A Novel Pleiotropic Anti-Inflammatory Drug to Reduce ARDS Incidence
7/1/16-6/30/17
\$ 250,386

Grants

Christopher G. Neville, PT, PhD, *Physical Therapy – CHP, PI*

Corporate Funded

110 TAF Class 2016: Cognitive Testing Suit for Use in Mild Traumatic Brain Injury Assessment

7/1/16-1/31/17

\$ 41,025

Brian D. Nicholas, MD, *Otolaryngology, PI*

Otonomy, Inc.

A 6-month, Multicenter, Phase 3, Open-label Extension Safety Study of OTO-104 Given at 3-Month Intervals by Intra-tympanic Injection in Subjects with Unilateral Meniere's Disease

3/25/16-3/24/17

Andras Perl, MD, PhD, *Medicine, PI*

Alliance for Lupus Research

Lupus Clinical Investigators Network (Clinical Trial Network Infrastructure Grant Agreement)

6/1/16-5/31/17

\$ 40,000

Elizabeth A. Reddy, MD, *Medicine, PI*

CytoDyn, Inc.

A Multi-center, Randomized, Double-blind, Placebo-controlled Trial, Followed by Single-arm Treatment of PRO 140 in Combination with Optimized Background Therapy in Treatment-Experienced HIV-1 Subjects

4/11/16-7/31/17

Elizabeth A. Reddy, MD, *Medicine, PI*

Janssen Research and Development, LLC

A Single-arm, Open-label Study to Assess the Pharmacokinetics of Darunavir and Rtonavir, Darunavir and Cobicistat, Etravine, and Rilpivirine in HIV-1 Infected Pregnant Women

5/19/16-6/30/18

Simone Seward, MPH, *Public Health & Preventive Medicine, Co-PI*

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Reinvestment Fund

Invest Health Strategies for Healthier Cities

06/2016 – 12/2017

\$60,000

Anna M. Stewart, PhD, MPA, *Medicine, PI*

National Science Foundation

In-situ Zika-vector-climate Dynamics in a High Burden Region in Ecuador

5/1/16-4/30/17

\$199,583



Grants

Anna M. Stewart, PhD, MPA, Medicine, PI
Clinical Research Management, Inc.
Capacity Strengthening in Ecuador: Partnering to Improve Surveillance of Febrile Vector-borne Diseases
4/6/16-3/31/17
\$ 49,991

Linda J. Veit, MPH, Surgery, PI
Susan G. Komen CNY Affiliate
She Matters: Making Women Wiser. Focusing on Breast Cancer Outreach, Education, and Mammography Screening
4/1/2016-3/31/2017
\$24,900

Linda J. Veit, MPH, Surgery, PI
Prevent Cancer Foundation
We Matters: Addressing Colorectal Cancer Disparities in the Underserved by Focusing on Education and Screening
7/1/2016-6/30/2017
\$25,000

Andrea S. Viczian, PhD, Ophthalmology, PI
Hendrick's Grant Fund
Molecular Mechanisms Linking Extrinsic and Intrinsic Factors in Eye Formation
7/2016 – 6/2017
\$75,000

Leonard B. Weiner, MD, Pediatrics, PI
Janssen Sciences Ireland UC
A Phase II, Open Label, and Antiviral Activity of Rilpivirine (TMC278) in Antiretroviral-naive HIV-1 Infected Adolescents and Children ≥ 6 to <18 Years
3/7/16-3/6/17

Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, Medicine, Site PI
Diasome Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
A Phase 2b, Multicenter, Randomized, Double Blind, Titration Clinical Trial Evaluating the Efficacy and Safety of HDV Insulin Lispro in Combination with a Basal Insulin (HDV Insulin Lispro, the Test Group), Versus Insulin Lispro in Combination with a Basal Insulin (Insulin Lispro, the Control Group), in Patients with Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus Over a 26-week Treatment Period.
2016-2017

Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, Medicine, Site PI
NIH: National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Disease
TODAY2 Phase 2 (T2P2): Long-Term Post-Intervention Follow-Up
2016-2021



Grants



Yunlei Yang, MD, PhD, Neuroscience & Physiology, PI

NIH: National Institute of Mental Health

Deciphering Neural Circuits Underlying Hippocampal Suppression of Food Intake

6/1/16-2/28/17

\$ 2,025,000

Publications



Publications

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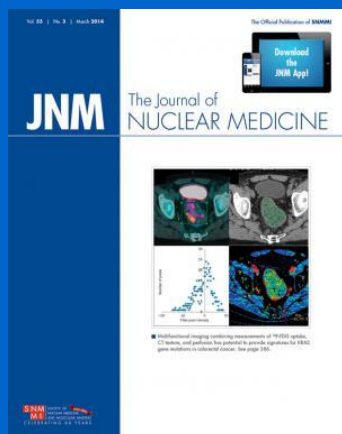


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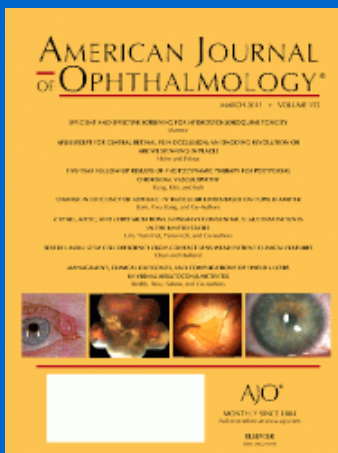
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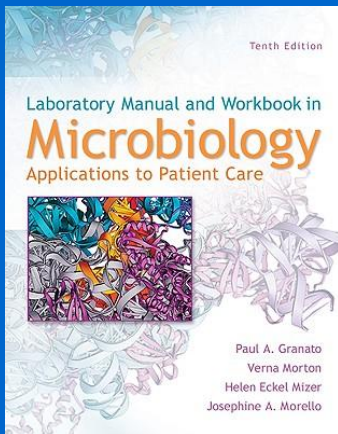


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Presentations



Presentations

International

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, *Urology*, presented “IVC Thrombus Reaching the Hepatic Vein and Right Atrium,” “The Role of Downsizing of Locally Advanced or Metastatic Renal Tumors,” and “The Right Patient, the Right Treatment, the Right Time – Precision Medicine in Kidney Cancer,” at the FOIU Conference, Tel Aviv, Israel, July 6-9, 2016.

Presentations

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Urology, was a panelist on “Kidney Surgery Partial Nephrectomy for Central Lesion, How I Do It With Less Than 20 Minutes Warm Ischemia Time,” at the FOIU Conference, Tel Aviv, Israel, July 6-9, 2016.

William J. Brunken, PhD, FARVO, Ophthalmology, presented “Retinal Laminins Regulate Retinal Progenitor Behavior,” at the 6th Annual International Conference: Vision Restoration: Regenerative Medicine in Ophthalmology, in Pittsburgh, PA, June 2016.

Katsuhiko Kobayashi, MD, Radiology, presented “Chest Ports Placed in Oncologic Patients with a History of Prior Port Removal: Is there any Increased Risk for Complications?” at the Annual Society of Interventional Radiology meeting (SIR2016), Vancouver, CA, April 2016

Andrzej Krol, PhD, Radiology, presented “Performance Modeling of a Wearable Brain PET (BET) Camera,” at the International Society for Optics and Photonics International Symposium on Medical Imaging meeting, San Diego, CA, Feb. 2016.

Julius Gene S. Latorre, MD, MPH, Neurology, presented “Developing a Comprehensive Stroke Center,” at the 2016 American Academy of Neurology Annual Meeting, Vancouver, BC, Canada, April 18, 2016.

Francesca Pignoni, PhD, Ophthalmology, presented “Fly Mitf Is An Evolutionary Conserved Regulator Of Metabolism, Proliferation and Differentiation That Also Controls the Binary Choice Between Neural And Non-neural In The Developing Eye Disc Of Drosophila,” at the École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Geneva, Switzerland, June 2016.

Paula M. Trief, PhD, Dean's Office/Psychiatry, presented a Breakout Session titled " Innovative Approaches to Improving Communication between the Dean and the Faculty," and presented "Executive Coaching as a Burnout Intervention" as a panel member of the panel titled, "Burnout: Costs and Financially Savvy Solutions," at the AAMC Group on Faculty Affairs Professional Development Conference, in Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 14-17, 2016.

Paula M. Trief, PhD, Dean's Office/Psychiatry, presented "Development and Implementation of a Teaching Skills Course: Challenges and Opportunities," at an INRoad Session: "New Approaches to Support Faculty," at the AAMC Group on Faculty Affairs Professional Development Conference, Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 16, 2016. Co-authors were: **Dale Avers, PhD, Physical Therapy Education- CHP**; **Ann Botash, MD, Pediatrics**; **Margaret Maimone, PhD, Cell & Developmental Biology**; **Andreas Meier, MD, Surgery**; **Sue Miller, PhD, Physical Therapy Education-CHP**; **Jennifer Moffat, PhD, Microbiology & Immunology**; **Carol Recker-Hughes, PhD, Physical Therapy Education-CHP**; **Margaret Wells, PhD, College of Nursing**; **Lauren Germain, PhD, Dean's Office**; and **Paul Ko, MD, Dean's Office/Emergency Medicine**.



Presentations

National

Marnie Annese, MPH, CPH, *Public Health & Preventive Medicine*, presented "Getting Engaged: How to Choose the Right Community Partner," in Volunteer Management Hacks Professional Development Webinar, www.americorpsalums.org, July 1016.

Katherine Beissner, PT, PhD, presented "Physical Self-Management Intervention for Pain in Older Adults," at the 35th Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Pain Society, Austin, TX, May 13, 2016.

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, *Urology*, moderated "RCC No Room for Margins, Better to Enucleate," at the Crossfire Controversies in Urology Malignant Program, 2016 Annual AUA Meeting, San Diego, CA, May 2016.

Paul A. Granato, PhD, *Pathology*, presented "Tests for the Laboratory Diagnosis of Pharyngitis; Good, Better and Best," at the South Central Association of Clinical Microbiology meeting, Sandusky, OH, April, 2016

Paul A. Granato, PhD, *Pathology*, presented "Group A Streptococcal Pharyngitis: The Disease, Options for Diagnosis, and the Business Case Scenario," at the local American Society of Microbiology meeting, Springfield, MO, July, 2016

Leslie J. Kohman, MD, *Surgery*, presented "Unrealistic Hopes: When Family and Caregivers Don't Agree," at the Cardiothoracic Ethics Forum at the American Association for Thoracic Surgery, Baltimore, MD, May 2016.

Leslie J. Kohman, MD, *Surgery*, was Co-moderator, Poster Discussion session, Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer and Related Thoracic Cancers, at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Clinical Oncology, June 4, 2016.

Francesca Pignoni, PhD, *Ophthalmology*, presented "The Non-Neural Tissue of the Drosophila Eye Disc: Mitf/MITF, Arm/ β -Catenin and Yki/YAP/TAZ Promote Peripodial Identity and Suppress Retina Identity," at the Gordon Research Conference, Visual System Development: Circuits, Evolution and Disease, West Dover, VT, Aug 2016.

Joshua Steinberg, MD, *Family Medicine- Clinical Campus*, presented "Shared Online Curricular Materials: OB Readings," at the Family Centered Maternity Care conference, American Academy of Family Physicians, Madison, WI, Aug. 2016.

Paula M. Trief, PhD, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*, presented "Psychosocial Predictors of A1c in a Telephonic Intervention," at the 76th Scientific Session of the American Diabetes Association, New Orleans, LA, June 12, 2016. Upstate faculty co-authors are: **Ruth S. Weinstock, MD**, *Medicine*; **Jacqueline Dimmock PhD**, *Psychiatry*; and **Donald Cibula, PhD**, *Public Health and Preventive Medicine*.



Presentations



Andrea S. Viczian, PhD, Ophthalmology, presented, “Roles For Noggin and Tbx3 in Retinal Progenitor Cell Specification And Determination,” at the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) 2016 Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, May, 2016.

Andrea S. Viczian, PhD, Ophthalmology, presented “Distinct Cis-Acting Regions Control Six6 Expression During Early And Late Stages Of Eye Formation” at the Gordon Research Conference, Visual System Development: Circuits, Evolution and Disease, West Dover, VT, Aug 2016.

Michael E. Zuber, PhD, Ophthalmology, presented “Stem Cells 101 and Stem Cells 201,” at the Foundation Fighting Blindness VISIONS 2016 meeting, Baltimore, MD, Jul 2016.

State & Local



Katherine Beissner, PT, PhD, presented "New Approaches to Chronic Pain Self-Management in Older Adults," at the Spring Conference of the Finger Lakes Geriatric Education Center, Geneva, NY, May 25, 2016.

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Urology, presented “Partial vs. Radical Nephrectomy: Who Benefits the Most?”, Current Concepts in Men’s Health, Saratoga, NY, Aug. 11-14, 2016.

Dmitriy Nikolavsky, MD, Urology, presented “Should DIVIU Ever Be Advocated? When Should We Operate?” Current Concepts in Men’s Health, Saratoga, NY, Aug. 11-14, 2016.

Presentations



Community

Ron Saletsky PhD, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*, presented “Children and Bullying” at HealthLink, Baldwinsville, NY, Jul. 2016

Upstate Medical University's hour-long talk radio program, "HealthLink on Air" appears twice – from 6 to 7 am and from 9 to 10 pm, Sundays, on WRVO Public Media. The show and individual interviews are also available as podcasts in iTunes. Each interview segment is archived at 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:

Scott Albert, MD

Sharon Brangman, MD

Michael Costanza, MD

Stephen Glatt, PhD

Brian Johnson, MD

Hiroshi Kato, MD

Karen Kemmis, DPT

Divey Manocha, MD

Robert Newmyer, MD

Richard O’Neill, PhD

Bernard Poiesz, MD

Howard Simon, MD

Michelle Bode, MD

Jayne Charlamb, MD

Thomas Curran, MD

Rainer Gruessner, MD

Burk Jubelt, MD

Jennifer Kelly, DO

Mark Laftavi, MD

Deirdre Neilen, PhD

Robert Olick, JD, PhD

Nuri Ozden, MD

Amy Sanders, MD

Vaughn Whittaker, MD

Department News



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Pathology -

Graduates of Upstate’s 2016 College of Medicine selected the **Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine** for the Syracuse Medical Alumni Association Departmental Teaching Award for Basic Sciences. The award is presented to an Upstate department with basic sciences teaching responsibilities which is held in esteem by the graduating students. **Robert J. Corona, Jr., DO, MBA**, professor and chair of the Department of Pathology, accepted the award on behalf of the Department.

Department News



Pediatrics-

The **Department of Pediatrics' Cystic Fibrosis Team** has been selected for participation in a second quality improvement and leadership development program during 2016-2017, which is offered by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and Dartmouth. The team has been involved in the Fundamentals Learning and Leadership Collaborative (FUN LLC), and they are now engaging in a second version, known as "VIP-F2" for the "Virtual Improvement Program Fundamentals 2." This includes design of a virtual learning platform to share lessons learned. Upstate's group is one of only two groups that has been invited to participate in this next program.

Ophthalmology

Provisional Patent Application submitted:

U.S. Provisional Patent Application for METHODS OF GENERATING RETINAL PROGENITOR CELL PREPARATIONS AND USES THEREOF
Inventors: **Andrea S. Viczian** and **Michael E. Zuber**, *Ophthalmology*

Radiology

Ivan Babin MD, K Kobayashi MD, S Patel MD, C Mendenhall MD, D Zhang MD, M Jawed MD, M Karmel MD, of *Radiology*, were mentioned in a news article regarding their research in managing frostbite. Original poster presentation was presented at International Symposium for Endovascular Therapy, Hollywood, Fl, March 2016

<http://www.cxvascular.com/in-latest-news/interventional-news---latest-news/interventional-radiology-treatment-for-frostbite>

Promotions



Promotions

Helene Bernstein, MD, PhD, *Obstetrics & Gynecology*, was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure.

Hans Cassagnol, MD, *Obstetrics & Gynecology*, was promoted to Associate Professor.

Matthew Scuderi, MD, *Orthopedic Surgery*, was promoted to Associate Professor.

Alexandra Spadola, MD, *Obstetrics & Gynecology*, was promoted to Associate Professor.

Thomas Szombathy, MD, *Medicine*, was promoted to Associate Professor.

New Faculty

Welcome
New
Faculty



New Faculty

Zeki Acun, MD, Instructor, *Surgery*

Dr. Acun received his medical degree from the University of Ankara and completed his residency at Brown University. He pursued additional training in Transplant Surgery at the University of Miami. He joins us from the staff of MedRite Medical Center and Hillcrest Henryetta Hospital.

David Andonian, MD, Assistant Professor, *Emergency Medicine*

Dr. Andonian received his medical degree from St. George's University School of Medicine and completed his residency at Lincoln Medical and Mental Health Center.

Nika Aljinovic, MD, Assistant Professor, *Pathology*

Dr. Aljinovic received her medical degree from the University of New Mexico and completed her residency at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. She pursued additional training in Forensic Pathology at the New Mexico Office of the Medical Investigator. She joins us from the staff of the New York Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

Jeannette Ball, DC, Assistant Professor, *Cell & Developmental Biology*

Dr. Ball received her chiropractic degree from New York Chiropractic College. She joins us from the faculty of the New York Chiropractic College.

Stephen Blakely, MD, Assistant Professor, *Urology*

Dr. Blakely received his medical degree from the University of Maryland School of Medicine and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Genitourinary Reconstruction at the University of Colorado, Denver.

Amishi Desai, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*

Dr. Desai received her medical degree from K.J. Somaiya Medical College and Research Center and completed her residency at Winthrop University Hospital. She pursued additional training in Hematology & Oncology also at Winthrop.

Anish Desai, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*

Dr. Desai received his medical degree from K.J. Somaiya Medical College and Research Center and completed his residency at Stony Brook University School of Medicine. He pursued additional training in Pulmonary Diseases and Critical Care Medicine also at Stony Brook.

Robert Fechtner, MD, Professor & Chair, with tenure, *Ophthalmology*

Dr. Fechtner received his medical degree from the University of Michigan School of Medicine and completed his residency at Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He pursued additional training in Glaucoma at the University of California. He has been on the faculty of the University of California, University of Louisville and most recently, Rutgers New Jersey Medical School.

New Faculty

Elizabeth Ferry, MD, Assistant Professor, *Urology*

Dr. Ferry received her medical degree at SUNY Upstate Medical University and completed her residency at Case Western Reserve University.

Harvir Gambhir, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*

Dr. Gambhir received his medical degree from Santosh Medical College and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Ritu Garg, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*

Dr. Garg received her medical degree from Maharshi Dayanand University and completed her residency at St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center.

Ghanshyam Ghelani, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*

Dr. Ghelani received his medical degree from B.J. Medical College and completed his residency at the Wright Center for Graduate Medical Education.

Saurabh Gupta, MD, Assistant Professor, *Radiology*

Dr. Gupta received his medical degree from Thanjavur Medical College and completed his residency at Diwan Chand Satyapal Aggarwal Imaging Research Centre. He pursued additional training in Neuroradiology , Advanced Neuroradiology, Body Imaging and Nuclear Medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin, and in Pediatric Radiology at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Roseanna Guzman-Curtis, MD, Assistant Professor, *Surgery*

Dr. Guzman-Curtis received her medical degree from, and completed her residency at, the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. She pursued additional training in Surgical Critical Care at University of Rochester.

Eric Hojnowski, MD, Assistant Professor, *Emergency Medicine*

Dr. Hojnowski received his medical degree from, and completed his residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Samantha Jones, MD, Assistant Professor, *Emergency Medicine*

Dr. Jones received her medical degree from, and completed her residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University. She pursued additional training in Pediatric Emergency Medicine at Upstate.

Aditi Khokhar, MD, Assistant Professor, *Pediatrics*

Dr. Khokhar received her medical degree from Sarojini Naidu Medical College and completed her residency at Staten Island University Hospital. She pursued additional training in Pediatric Endocrinology at SUNY Downstate Medical Center.

Meet Our
New Faculty!

New Faculty

Mark Laftavi, MD, Associate Professor, *Surgery*

Dr. Laftavi received his medical degree from Shahid Beheshti Medical School, completed his surgical residency at the Hospital of National Iranian Oil Company, and a urology residency at Claude Bernard University. He pursued additional training in Urology and Transplant at Claude Bernard University, Transplant Research at the University of Minnesota, Transplant in Kidney, Pancreas and Liver at Rush Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, and Transplant in Liver at Mount Sinai Medical Center. He has been on the faculty of MCP Hahnemann University and the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Eric MacMaster, MD, Assistant Professor, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*

Dr. MacMaster received his medical degree from, and completed his residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at Upstate.

Jennifer Makin, MD, Assistant Professor, *Obstetrics & Gynecology*

Dr. Makin received her medical degree from, and completed her residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Carols Martinez-Balzano, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*

Dr. Martinez-Balzano received his medical degree from the Luis Razetti School of Medicine and completed his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Pulmonary and Critical Care at the University of Massachusetts.

Angela Mojica, MD, Assistant Professor, *Pediatrics*

Dr. Mojica received her medical degree from Universidad Nacional de Colombia and completed her residency at Miami Children's Hospital. She pursued additional training in Pediatric Endocrine at SUNY Buffalo.

Andreea Nitu-Marquise, MD, Assistant Professor, *Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation*

Dr. Nitu-Marquise received her medical degree from Universitatea De Medicina Si Farmacie Iuliu Hatieganu, and completed her residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Erik Quilty, MD, Instructor, *Anesthesiology*

Dr. Quilty received his medical degree from, and completed his residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University. He pursued additional training in Interventional Pain Medicine also at Upstate.

Wyssem Ramdani, MD, Instructor, *Neurology*

Dr. Ramdani received his medical degree from Algiers Medical School and completed his residency at Woodhull Medical and Mental Health Center. He joins us from Banner Thunderbird Medical Center.



New Faculty

Welcome New Faculty

Sophia Rodriguez, MD, Assistant Professor, *Pathology*

Dr. Rodriguez received her medical degree from, and completed her residency at, Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University. She pursued additional training in Forensic Pathology at the New Mexico Office of the Medical Investigator.

Ramesh Sachdeva, MD, Professor with tenure, *Pediatrics*

Dr. Sachdeva received his medical degree from the Armed Forces Medical College in India, and completed his residency at Wayne-Oakland Child and Adolescent Medicine Program. He pursued additional training in Pediatric Critical Care Medicine at the Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. He has been on the faculties of the Medical College of Wisconsin, Texas Children's Hospital, Baylor College of Medicine, and Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. Dr. Sachdeva also received his MS degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin, PhD degree from the University of Texas School of Public Health, MBA degree from the University of Houston, DBA degree from the University of Strathclyde, and JD degree from the Marquette University Law School.

Ahmed Shawkat, MD, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*

Dr. Shawkat received his medical degree from University of Tripoli and completed his residency at Temple University. He pursued additional training in Pulmonary and Critical Care at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Alexis Strohl, MD, Instructor, *Otolaryngology*

Dr. Strohl received her medical degree from Georgetown University and completed her residency at the University of Rochester Medical Center.

Jennifer Taylor, DO, Assistant Professor, *Radiology*

Dr. Taylor received her degree of osteopathic medicine from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, and completed her residency at SUNY Upstate.

Asalim Thabet, MD, Assistant Professor, *Emergency Medicine*

Dr. Thabet received her medical degree from, and completed her residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University. She pursued additional training in Pediatric Emergency Medicine at Upstate.

Kerry Whiting, MD, Instructor, *Pathology*

Dr. Whiting received her medical degree from, and completed her residency at, SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Faculty Governance

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Faculty Forums

As the Upstate Campus Governance Leader (CGL) in my capacity as Chair of the Faculty Council, I have taken the liberty to initiate a new series of dialogue between faculty and administration. I have titled these sessions “Faculty Forums,” and I welcome all faculty and staff to attend if they are available and interested. They are scheduled in the alternate months of the Faculty Council meetings at noon in either the 9th floor or Alumni auditorium. They will feature Management Confidential administration officials who may offer special insight into contemporary issues that our University is facing. Members of the Faculty Council Executive Committee, including myself, will moderate discussion. The topics will range from prepared areas of expertise of the speaker to spontaneous timely needs of those in attendance. Please send any questions or concerns to my GroupWise email account at brennerj@upstate.edu.

Jay Brenner, MD
Chair
Faculty Council



Upstate Faculty Council

**Schedule
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Academic
Year
2016-
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Faculty Governance

Faculty Governance



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| Monday, September 19, 2016 | 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. –Doust Board Room, Weiskotten Hall Lunch will be provided. |
| Monday, November 21, 2016 | 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. –Doust Board Room, Weiskotten Hall Lunch will be provided. |
| Monday, January 16, 2017 | 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Doust Board Room, Weiskotten Hall Lunch will be provided. |
| Monday, March 20, 2017 | 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Doust Board Room, Weiskotten Hall Lunch will be provided. |
| Monday, May 15, 2017 | 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Doust Board Room, Weiskotten Hall Lunch will be provided. |
| Wednesday, May 17, 2017 (Annual Faculty Meeting) | 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. –Doust Board Room, Weiskotten Hall |

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Upstate Faculty Council

Schedule of Faculty Forums Academic Year 2016-2017

Faculty Governance



| Date | Time/Location | |
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| Monday, October 24, 2016 | 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Room 9295, Weiskotten Hall | |
| Monday, December 19, 2016 | 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Room 1159, Weiskotten Hall | |
| Monday, February 6, 2017 | 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Room 1159, Weiskotten Hall | |
| Monday, April 24, 2017 | 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Room 1159, Weiskotten Hall | |
| Monday, June 19, 2017 | 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Room 1159, Weiskotten Hall | |

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Faculty Development - Upcoming Events

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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.



**Faculty
Development -
Upcoming
Events**

**Medical Education Journal Club - Monday September 12, 2016
12-1pm 3508 Setnor Academic Bldg.**

**“Race Matters? Examining and Rethinking
Race Portrayal in Preclinical Medical Education”**

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

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Please RSVP: hendermi@upstate.edu or 464-1681



**Minority Faculty and Residents Monthly Mtg. Tues. Sept. 13, 2016
12 - 1 PM Room 1164 Weiskotten Hall**

Where an open discussion will take place about minority faculty & resident issues and opportunities.

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Please RSVP: hendermi@upstate.edu or 464-1681

Upcoming Events

New Faculty Orientation - Wednesday September 21, 2016 2-5 PM Doust Board Room (9299 WHA) and 9th Floor Cafeteria- Weiskotten Hall

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: Wednesday September 21st 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 department chairs and **all other faculty members** invited.

Spouses/partners are invited to attend the afternoon portion of the orientation and the reception. Watch for your invitation in the office mail within the next few weeks and please remember to RSVP.



New Faculty Reception Wednesday September 21, 2016 **5-6 PM 9th Floor Cafeteria - Weiskotten Hall**

All Upstate Faculty are encouraged to attend to welcome our new faculty members!

~ Wine, Cheese, and Hors D' Oeuvres will be served ~

Upcoming Events

Active Learning Collaborative Monthly Meeting

12:00 – 1:00 PM

**Monday September 26, 2016
Room 1508 Setnor Academic Bldg.**

Peer mentoring group to support development and implementation of interactive, engaging teaching methods.

~ Lunch will be provided ~

RSVP:
Michele Henderson
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or 464-1681



Faculty Development Seminar Series – Tuesday Sept. 27, 2016
12-1pm **Room 318 Wsk-Health Sciences Library**

“Veterans Look Like Everyone Else”

Presenters: **William Marx, DO**, *Professor – Dept. of Surgery, and VA Hospital*
Douglas Leonhardt, PA, *Physician Assistant, VA Hospital*

~ Lunch will be provided ~

The Academy of Upstate Educators Announce...
The B.E.S.T. Program
(Build Excellent Skills for Teaching)

Upcoming Events

**Tuesday Sept. 27th and Tuesday Oct. 4th
4 – 6 PM Room 3507/3508 Setnor Academic Bldg.**

If you are an Asst. Prof. and joined the faculty on or after July 1, 2015, you are required to participate in the BEST course within your first 2 years on the faculty.

We will offer this course twice per year, in the fall and spring, so sign up now and get off to a great start!

The classes are scheduled for 2 dates (You must attend both workshops for credit):

This is a 4 session course (2 sessions per workshop).
Topics include:

- How to create a safe learning environment
- How to actively engage the learner
- How to provide effective feedback
- How to deliver an effective presentation

Prior to each class, you will receive a brief content video. The in-class time will provide interactive experiences to build skills (e.g. role plays, small group discussions). Participants say that this format is highly engaging and interesting.

99% of past participants said they would recommend this course to others.

“There were helpful tips for people who already have years of experience and those who are newer to the classroom.”

“Great course!”

“It was interesting and contained information to help instructors to put their ‘best foot forward’!”

**WHEN: Tuesday Sept. 27th and Tuesday Oct. 4th
4 – 6 PM
Room 3507 and 3508 Setnor Academic Bldg.**

~ Refreshments Will Be Provided ~

You must register by Sept. 20th. Please contact Michele Henderson via telephone at 464-1681 or e-mail at hendermi@upstate.edu



Upcoming Events

Medical Education Journal Club - Monday October 3, 2016
12-1pm 3508 Setnor Academic Bldg.

Journal Article: “To Be Determined”

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

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Please RSVP: hendermi@upstate.edu or 464-1681

Path to Promotion Workshop – Wednesday October 5, 2016
12-1 PM Room 1164 Weiskotten Hall
(Conference Room)

College of Medicine Faculty - Associate Professor to Professor Workshop:

Presenters:

Paula Trief, PhD, Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, will present:
“The Road Ahead: Standards and Criteria for Promotion.”

Steve Taffet, PhD, Chair, College of Medicine Faculty Appointments & Promotions Committee (COM FAPC). Dr. Taffet will give an overview of what happens at each COM FAPC Meeting.

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Path to Promotion Workshop – Thursday October 6, 2016
7-8 AM Room 10405 A 10th Floor-East Tower -University Hospital
(Oncology Services Floor)

College of Medicine Faculty - Associate Professor to Professor Workshop:

Presenters:

Paula Trief, PhD, Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, will present:
“The Road Ahead: Standards and Criteria for Promotion.”

Steve Taffet, PhD, Chair, College of Medicine Faculty Appointments & Promotions Committee (COM FAPC). Dr. Taffet will give an overview of what happens at each COM FAPC Meeting.

~ A Light Breakfast will be provided ~



Upcoming Events



Path to Promotion Workshop – Tuesday October 18, 2016
12-1 PM Room 1164 Wsk
(Conference Room)

College of Medicine Faculty - Assistant Professor to Associate Professor Workshop:

Presenters:

Paula Trief, PhD, *Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs*, will present: “The Road Ahead: Standards and Criteria for Promotion.”

Burk Jubelt, MD, *Vice Chair, College of Medicine Faculty Appointments & Promotions Committee (COM FAPC)*. Dr. Jubelt will give an overview of what happens at each COM FAPC meeting.

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Path to Promotion Workshop – Wednesday October 19, 2016
7-8 AM Room 10405 A 10th Floor-East Tower -University Hospital
(Oncology Services Floor)

College of Medicine Faculty - Assistant Professor to Associate Professor Workshop:

Presenters:

Paula Trief, PhD, *Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs*, will present: “The Road Ahead: Standards and Criteria for Promotion.”

Burk Jubelt, MD, *Vice Chair, College of Medicine Faculty Appointments & Promotions Committee (COM FAPC)*. Dr. Jubelt will give an overview of what happens at each COM FAPC meeting.

~ A Light Breakfast will be provided ~

Faculty Development Seminar Series – Tuesday October 25, 2016
12-1PM Room 3113 Wsk

“Empathy”

Presenter: **Rebecca Garden, PhD**, *Associate Professor, Center for Bioethics and Humanities*

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Announcing...

ACADEMY OF UPSTATE EDUCATORS

AUE COACHES: A Teaching Consultation Service

**Offering a teaching consultation service to members
of Upstate's Teaching Faculty**



The mission of the Academy of Upstate Educators (AUE) is to promote innovation and excellence in education at Upstate. The members of the Academy can share their wide range of educational abilities with any member of the faculty who seeks to better his/her educator skills. The Academy is pleased to announce the "AUE Coaches: A Teaching Consultation Service".

Please feel free to request an AUE Coach Consultation if you would like:

- someone to observe your teaching and provide constructive feedback to improve your teaching skills
- guidance on ways to improve your assessment process
- assistance with design of a new curriculum or revamping of an old one
- to share ideas about any education-related issue

The process is simple.

- Go to our website, www.upstate.edu/facultydev/academy
- Click on "AUE Coaches Service."
- Complete the brief form and submit it to Michele Henderson. She will forward it to the appropriate Academy member, who will contact you to proceed.



Faculty Development Website Calendar

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



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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

Contact Us

"I represent our Office of Faculty Affairs, and my staff and I are committed to developing the potential of all faculty and see them succeed and thrive". Please feel free to call or email for more information:

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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/>