Welcome New Faculty!

Click here for photos and more information

Melissa Burger M.D. Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Anesthesiology
Daniel Kopinke Ph.D. Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmacology
Timothy Lian M.D. Professor, Department of Otolaryngology
Mayra Lomonaco M.D. Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism
Nadja Makki Ph.D. Assistant Professor, Department of Anatomy
Marjorie Montanez-Wiscovich M.D., Ph.D. Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Dermatology
Robin Petroze M.D., M.P.H. Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery
Michael Yacoub M.D. Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery
Ronald Garcia M.D. Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology
Matthew Schaller Ph.D. Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine
Wei Hu M.D. Research Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology
Eileen Lauzardo M.D. Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Community Health and Family Medicine
Congratulations!

The Obesity Society

Michelle Cardel, PhD. Assistant Professor, Department of Health Outcomes & Biomedical Informatics has been inducted as a Fellow of The Obesity Society for her work on the etiology, prevention, and treatment of obesity among underserved populations.

Spring 2019 Faculty Enhancement Opportunity (FEO) Award Recipients

Michael Krick, DO. Assistant Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine. Dr. Krick will attend the Institute for Healthcare Improvement Patient Safety Executive Development Program to gain better understanding and training in the contents needed for quality safety and quality improvement programs.

Sanjeev Kumar, MD. Assistant Professor, Department of Anesthesiology. Dr. Kumar will attend a 3 day educational course by the American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians (ASIPP), where he will gain the necessary knowledge and training for minimally invasive disc and spinal decompression surgery as well as endoscopic surgery on the spine.
Priya Sharma MD. Assistant Professor, Department of Radiology. Dr. Sharma will attend the Health Care Education 2.0- Transforming your teaching for the Digital Age course through the Harvard Macy Institute, where she will learn how to use new technologies to create better learning environments, materials and networks consistent with pedagogical principles informed by cognitive sciences.

Kristy Smith MD. Assistant Professor, Department of Community Health and Family Medicine. Dr. Smith will attend the Harvard Macy Program for Educators in Health Professions, where she will advance her training in the science of learning and will develop her teaching skills and enhance her ability to conduct and evaluate educational projects as well as improve her leadership skills in medical education.

Cristina Zeretzke-Bien MD. Assistant Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine. Dr. Zeretzke will receive training that will build an understanding of the core content areas critical to a successful quality improvement and patient safety program and help her develop patient safety strategies and implementation plans.
Nicole M. Iovine, M.D., Ph.D. Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases and Global medicine has been named Epidemiology Officer in Chief for UF Health Shands.
In her new role, Dr. Iovine will continue to collaborate with hospital and medical staff to guide our hospital system’s infection control and safety efforts. She will also work closely with Dr. Michele Lossius, M.D., FAAP, in her new role as chief quality officer for UF Health Shands, on infection prevention and mortality reduction.

Michele Lossius, M.D., FAAP, Associate Professor, Department of Pediatrics has been named Chief Quality Officer for the UF Health Shands hospitals and associated clinical programs.
In the chief quality officer role, reporting to the chief medical officer for UF Health Shands, Dr. Lossius will provide strategic oversight for quality and patient-centered improvement efforts for our Gainesville hospitals and hospital-operated outpatient programs. She will collaborate with our teams in the UF Health Sebastian Ferrero Office of Clinical Quality and Patient Safety, including Clinical Risk Management, Quality Accreditation, Patient Experience and Quality Clinical Analytics. In addition, as CQO she will support and work with the College of Medicine physician directors of quality and quality liaisons working in other disciplines, including hospital nursing and operations and College of Medicine clinical departments.

The CQO will guide organizational efforts to achieve outstanding performance on key quality and safety metrics, integrate and engage residents and other learners in quality and safety work, engage patients and families, help maintain a positive culture of quality improvement and be a catalyst for shared learning. Dr. Lossius will promote a unified approach between executive leaders, nursing and operations teams and College of Medicine clinical faculty and residents to achieve our quality and safety goals.

New Grant Awarded!

Stephanie Karst PhD. Professor, Department of Molecular Genetics & Microbiology has been awarded a new National Institutes of Health R01 grant entitled, "Suppression of Enteric Norovirus Infection by Microbiota-Regulated Bile Acids".

Mattia Prosperi, PhD. Associate Professor, Department of Epidemiology has been awarded a new National Institutes of Health R01 grant entitled, "Developing Computational Methods for Surveillance of Antimicrobial Resistant Agents".
Provost's Symposium 2019

Empowering Students to be Active Learners

February 7-8

Journal writing, problem solving, paired discussions, case studies and role play -- just a few of the many active learning tools that can help engage students as active participants.

How can active learning teaching strategies work in your classroom?

AGENDA AT A GLANCE

Evidence-Based Research & Effective Learning Strategies
Susan Rundell Singer, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Rollins College
Former Department Director, Undergraduate Education, National Science Foundation

Active Learning: Creating Inclusive and Engaging Classrooms
Professor Robert Talbert, Department of Mathematics, Grand Valley State University

What's Next? Developing Faculty Learning Communities at UF
Jennifer Smith, Director, Office of Faculty Development and Technology, University of Florida

** Drawing for 6 iPad Pros during the lunch hour**

RESERVE A SEAT
Dear UFCOM Faculty,

You will soon receive an email invitation to participate in a faculty wellness needs assessment survey. We know you are very busy and that survey fatigue is real, but we hope you will invest about 10 minutes of your time to provide your feedback regarding the culture of wellness at UFCOM.

Some important points regarding the survey:

- The primary purpose is to determine what FACULTY MEMBERS view as the most important needs—this information will be used to direct future interventions, programming, and resource allocation.

- The survey was developed by the UFCOM Director of Wellness Programs, with input from dozens of faculty members across the college—there are separate sections addressing needs for clinical, research, and teaching faculty (you may skip any sections that do not apply to you).

- The survey is completely anonymous—you will receive a personal survey link via the REDCap survey platform, but REDCap anonymizes all responses. No one will be able to link your responses to you.

- Once you complete the survey, REDCap will automatically stop sending you reminders!

Thank you in advance for your time in completing the survey. We look forward to using the results to plan meaningful chance to improve the workplace environment and better support our faculty!

Happy holidays!

Lisa Merlo, PhD, MPE
Director of Wellness Programs

Marian Limacher, MD
Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs & Professional Development
Cozy "Ask the Dietitian" holiday party at Keene Faculty Center Dec. 18

Dig out your ugliest holiday sweater and get ready for some holiday fun! Join us in person at the Keene Faculty Center in Dauer Hall or via Facebook Live @UFatWork at noon on Tuesday, Dec. 18, for a cozy holiday event featuring nutritionist Bridget Besoner. We’ll sample recipes from our Flour Power contest, answer your questions and discuss tips for getting through the holidays the healthy way.

What are your biggest challenges when it comes to holiday eating? Let’s chat! Submit your questions here in advance for Bridget to answer or bring them to the party.

Give yourself the gift of adventure this Winter Break

UF’s Center for Outdoor Recreation & Education (CORE) is offering three weeks of gear rental at the one-week price! CORE makes it easy and affordable for you to get outside, with a warehouse full of outdoor/camping gear ready for your next adventure. Pick up your gear by Dec. 16 to take advantage of this deal. For more information, visit UF RecSports’ website.

Fill your Saturdays with art

This spring, the School of Art + Art History is offering seven-week art and design pre-college and continuing education courses for adults and high school students (ages 15+). The courses, are designed for all skill levels to give aspiring artists the chance to experience UF’s curriculum.

The deadline to register is Jan. 1. UF employees and their children can receive a 10 percent discount. To learn more, please see the event invitation.

Faculty Research Communications: Provost's Initiative
Submit your work to be eligible for a $1000 award from the Provost

One of the key elements of elevating the University of Florida’s national and international reputation in pursuit of top-five rankings is advancing key science and technology initiatives which promote research, discovery, teaching, and service at UF.
five public university stature is creating national and international interest in your research through coverage in top-tier news media outlets such as the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal and cable and network news programming. UF’s Office of University Relations works with other campus communications professionals to seek out such research, but they rely heavily on you, the faculty, to inform them when your work has been accepted for publication in peer-reviewed journals.

Please contact University Relations when your papers have been accepted for publication. For those who do, Provost Joe Glover will offer $1,000 to each faculty member whose research is selected by University Relations to pitch to national and international media and to highlight on its online and social media platforms. University Relations will make its selections every two weeks, working in conjunction with the communicators in your college or unit. All you have to do is email University Relations a synopsis of no more than 250 words describing your research in layman's language and explaining its significance and how it will benefit society. Researchers also must be prepared to speak to reporters or designate someone on their team to do so.

Please email your submission to news@ufl.edu.

Submissions from all areas of campus are welcome, but University Relations is especially interested in research in the following strategic focus areas:

- Neuroscience and the Brain
- Biodiversity and the Earth
- Food Safety and Sustainability
- Medicine and Global Health
- Latin America and the Caribbean
- Early Childhood Development
- Renewable Energy
- Cybersecurity
- Drones and Autonomous Vehicles

The $1,000 must be used on your research-related activities, such as travel, books and supplies, etc. All synopses, regardless of whether they are selected by University Relations, will be featured in the Faculty Update newsletter. In addition, entries that are not selected may still be featured on news and social media platforms by University Relations and/or college or unit communications offices.

Please note: If your paper has been accepted by a journal with an embargo policy, please be assured that University Relations will honor the terms of the embargo and they work only with journalists who agree to abide by those terms as well.

Care@Work for faculty and staff
Smartphone app empowers citizens to help in case of cardiac emergency now available locally

UF Health officials and Alachua County and city of Gainesville emergency first responders announced the launch of PulsePoint Respond, a smartphone app that alerts citizens to a nearby cardiac emergency, empowering them to help. Officials say it could double the survival rate from cardiac arrest in Gainesville and surrounding area.

Please download the app today in either the Apple App Store or on Google Play by simply searching for "PulsePoint."

PulsePoint is now available in Alachua County thanks to Nik Gravenstein, M.D., and funding from the Jerome H. Modell, M.D., Professorship of Anesthesiology, which he holds. Torben Becker, M.D., of the Department of Emergency Medicine, provided significant help in getting this launched in our area. We also thank the Alachua County Sheriff’s Office, Alachua County Fire Rescue and Gainesville Fire Rescue for partnering with us to bring this lifesaving technology to Alachua County.
Biomedical Scientists as Educators Courses

Fully online 4-course certificate program (with degree and non-degree options) that prepares biomedical science graduate/postdoctoral students and junior faculty to teach, conduct educational research, and mentor students upon entry into academic positions.

The following courses are required to earn a graduate certificate in biomedical scientists as educators.

1. **PHA 6951* Teaching Biomedical Science (2 credits) - Fall, Spring and Summer**
   Students will acquire the skills necessary for creating and modifying biomedical science courses through a combination of self-awareness activities and information that informs teaching. Students will use their skills to: (a) write a teaching philosophy and (b) draft components of their biomedical science course syllabus. No prerequisite.

2. **PHA 6952 Curricular Models for Biomedical Science (3 credits) - Spring**
   Students will be introduced to various models of teaching and their related instructional strategies. A major emphasis will be on (a) assisting students in the development of their teaching repertoire in biomedical science content, (b) adding new instructional strategies and (c) developing and revising biomedical science curriculum for courses that they will teach prospectively. 6951 Teaching Biomedical Science is a prerequisite.

3. **PHA 6953 Art and Science of Mentoring (1 credit) - Spring 2019 and Summer (B session)**
   Participants will acquire the knowledge and skills required to effectively mentor other professionals who are in early stages of career development and to enhance their own experiences as mentees. Students will use their skills to: (a) complete an individual development plan, (b) identify ethical dilemmas in mentoring and describe strategies to prevent them, and (c) articulate their own mentoring philosophy. PHA 6951 Teaching Biomedical Science, PHA 6952 Curricular Models for Biomedical Science and PHA 6954 Assessing Effectiveness of Biomedical Science Teaching and Curricula (concurrent enrollment, Summer C term) are prerequisites.

4. **PHA 6954 Assessing Effectiveness of Biomedical Science Teaching and Curricula (3 credits) - Summer (C session)**
   Students will receive an overview of the theory of evaluation and apply practice connections to conducting an evaluation study. Working together, students will develop a proposal for an evaluation study, undertake a component of the proposed evaluation study, write and present related findings. PHA 6951 Teaching Biomedical Science and PHA 6952 Curricular Models for Biomedical Science are prerequisites.

*Note that this course is being taught under PHA 6935 for the fall 2018 semester while the permanent course number is assigned.

Please click Here for more information.

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**Did You Know?**

**UF Health is moving into the Oaks Mall**
Two UF Health departments will open in January 2020 at the former Sears space in the Oaks Mall.

Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology (ENT) will open new clinics along with an imaging center with X-ray, MRI and CT scans, and a surgery center. The UF Board of Trustees approved $73 million for the project Dec. 7.

[Click here for more information.]

**UF Health Highlights**

**Meet Peter T. Dziegielewski, M.D. UF Health director of head and neck surgical oncology**

**More options for nursing mothers at UF Health**
Nursing mothers now have two new places to conveniently and privately pump breast milk or breastfeed in our health science center complex. In early November, UF installed two additional modular "lactation pods," made by Mamava™: one in the Communicore Building (near the second-floor elevators) and one in the Health Professions, Nursing & Pharmacy, or HPNP, Building (on the second floor). The latter is also accessible for people with disabilities.

This follows the success of our first Mamava™ lactation pod, introduced last fall in the public hallway near the first-floor outpatient pharmacy, between the UF Health Shands Hospital Atrium and the UF College of Dentistry/west entrance.

"Mothers who are on the go - such as our faculty, staff, residents and students - have even more resources where they can privately pump breast milk or feed an infant," said Dennis Hines, UF Health Medical and Health Administration associate director. "They are also available for visitors to these buildings. We're pleased to offer nursing mothers discreet and welcoming choices to support them where they work and go to school."

UF Business Affairs purchased the mobile units from Mamava for about $15,000 each. The manufacturer designs the pods "to reach mamas where they travel, receive health care, work, shop and play." The pods are now popular in high-traffic areas such as airports, shopping centers and hospitals.

Our pods require the user to use the free Mamava mobile app, which shows where pods are located and is used to unlock the pod door when it's unoccupied. Each well-lit unit is spacious and comfortable, with two molded plastic benches, a shelf, an electrical outlet and a USB port.

Hines added, "There was a great response to our first pod, and use of the app helped us track usage and make the case to purchase more units. These are great options to have in our busy academic health center that complement existing lactation resources."

**Did you know?**
UF Health has the community's only official "Baby-Friendly" hospital: UF Health Shands Hospital is designated by Baby-Friendly USA.

**Lactation locations:**
UF Health is committed to supporting, protecting and promoting breastfeeding. Our lactation resources available to faculty, staff, residents, outpatients, visitors and students at our Archer Road facilities now include:
• UF Health Shands Hospital, First Floor (near Outpatient Pharmacy and Outpatient Lab)
• UF Health Shands Hospital, Seventh Floor, Room 7502 (five pumping stations)
• UF Health Shands Cancer Hospital, Sixth Floor, Room 6012 (two pumping stations)
• UF Health Heart & Vascular and UF Health Neuromedicine hospitals, Fourth Floor, Rooms 4537 and 4539 (one individual pumping station in each room)
• Communicore Building, Second Floor (near the elevators)
• PHHP Building, Second Floor (in the lobby area between the College of Public Health and Health Professions and the College of Nursing sections). This Pod is an ADA-accessible unit to accommodate people with disabilities.

Note: Our inpatients’ needs are accommodated by lactation resources on hospital units.

Next meeting, Tuesday, January 8, 2019
at 5:00 pm in M112

Check the website for information about meetings and activities:

http://facultycouncil.med.ufl.edu/

Upcoming Educational & Professional Development Seminars:

Learn-Discover-Lead Seminars

Staffing Your Laboratory
Friday January 11, 2019 at 12:00-1:00pm
Communicore CG-11
Dr. Christine Lloyd
Click Here to register

How to Give Effective Lectures
Friday February 8, 2019 at 12:00-1:00pm
Communicore CG-11
Dr. William E. Winter
Click Here to register

Communicating Science to Diverse Audiences
Friday March 8, 2019 at 12:00-1:00pm
Communicore CG-11
Dr. Janice Krieger
Click Here to register

These seminars will be recorded and can all be viewed online at https://facultyaffairs.med.ufl.edu/upcoming-events/faculty-development-seminars/