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Eva's Excerpt

"Success is leased and the rent is due every day." ~ JJ Watt and Buddy Morris

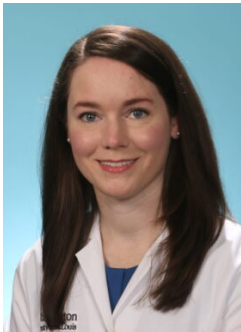


Many of you will have read the wonderful [article](#) about our LCME outcomes in The Record last month. I hope every one of you is proud of what we have accomplished because it is all of our collective work in clinical care, research, community outreach, innovation, and, of course, EDUCATION, that allows that outcome. Celebration of these milestones and accomplishments is critical. Recovery from the work that we do and have done is equally important. Without recovery, we cannot perform at our best and those outcomes we care so deeply about, suffer. After recovery, it is time to dig in again.

[Full excerpt here.](#)

Important Updates

Ohman Appointed Health Systems Sciences Thread Lead



Kerri Ohman, MD from the Department of Surgery has been appointed to the role of Health Systems Sciences Thread Lead for the Gateway Curriculum. Dr. Ohman is a graduate of the University of Michigan Medical School and both the General Surgery Residency and Colon and Rectal Fellowship at BJH and WUSM. She has a keen interest and significant experience in patient safety and quality improvement. She is a member of the American Board of Surgery Healthcare Economics Committee and the Performance Improvement Committee at the John J. Cochran Veterans Hospital. "Dr. Ohman's background makes her an excellent fit for this role. She is anxious to have an impact on the Gateway Curriculum and I am excited to work

with her. I am confident she will be champion of student learning,” said Dr. Tom De Fer.

Announcements

Call for Loeb Teaching Fellows Applications Due October 13th

On behalf of Loeb Selection Committee co-chairs, Dr. Eva Aagaard and Dr. Abby Spencer, we are pleased to announce the call for applications for Loeb Teaching Fellows. Applications are **due by Friday, October 13, 2023 at 5:00pm.**

The Loeb Teaching Fellows program was established in 2004 by a generous gift from Mr. and Mrs. Loeb to support faculty who are committed to excellence and innovation in teaching and education. The program provides fellows with the time and opportunity to develop and implement innovative ideas that augment the education of medical students, residents and fellows. All Washington University School of Medicine faculty (including volunteer faculty) at any level are eligible to apply.



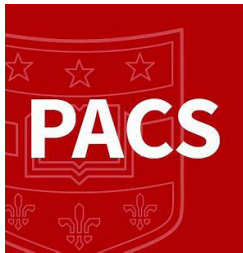
These prestigious fellowships are the cornerstone of our innovation in education efforts and are critical to helping WUSM grow as a world-class center for educational excellence.

There will be two (2) Loeb Teaching Fellowships available this term, supported jointly by the BJH Foundation and WUSM; the Fellowship term will run two years, beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2026. A mid-term review and renewal is required in 2025. Loeb Teaching Fellows will receive \$50,000 per year for two years for salary compensation only to enable dedicating a significant portion of his/her time to development and implementation of their project and direct teaching of medical students and/or residents.

For additional information on the Loeb Teaching Fellows, including a list of current and past fellows and the 2024 selection committee, please visit the [Academy of Educators website](#). The online application form can be found [HERE](#).

PACS Receives \$2M in Five-Year Training Grants

The Program in Audiology and Communication Sciences (PACS) has received two five-year training grants totaling over \$2.3 million from the U.S. Department of Education to support its graduate training programs. “We are thrilled and honored to have the support of the U.S. Department of Education as we train future leaders in Audiology and Deaf Education who will work with and advocate for deaf/hard of hearing children and their caregivers in order to improve quality of life and educational outcomes,” said Amanda Ortmann, PhD, PACS Director of Audiology Studies.



The first, “Project EARS: Preparation of Educational Audiologists who will Reach School-Age Children who are Deaf/Hard of Hearing,” will train pediatric audiologists to meet the specialized needs of children who are deaf or hard of hearing and their families by providing direct scholarship support to Doctor of Audiology (AuD) students. Amanda Ortmann, PhD is the Principal Investigator. The second grant, “Project START: Supporting Training and Recruitment of Teachers of the Deaf” will fund full tuition scholarships for students enrolled in the Master of Science in Deaf Education (MSDE) program, with the goal of increasing the number of qualified teachers of the deaf who specialize in listening and spoken language skills for young children. Casey Reimer, PhD is the Principal Investigator.

OT Receives \$1M in Recruitment and Retention Grant

The Program in Occupational Therapy was awarded a \$1.1 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education’s Special Education – Personnel Development to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities Program. The five-year grant will fund the School-Based Scholars Program, designed to improve the recruitment and retention of diverse occupational therapy students while increasing competencies to serve children with high-intensity needs in school-based settings. The program will provide tuition remission to students and support career development and academic performance while they work with community partner schools serving marginalized K-12 students. [Full story here.](#)



Events

Office of DEI Celebrates Five Years on WUSM Campus



The WUSM Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is celebrating five years of existence on our campus! This month of celebration can serve as a time to reflect on the impacts our diversity, equity, and inclusion consulting and education have made on our campus. We invite all campus community members to celebrate with us at small grab 'n' go socials where you will be offered free snacks and ODEI promotional items throughout the month of October. We can guarantee snacks for approximately 150 attendees for each event, please plan accordingly and arrive early enough to be accommodated for food arrangements. Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to attend all Washington University School of Medicine sponsored events. If you require a reasonable accommodation to participate in this event, at least one week before the event, contact the Washington University School of Medicine Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at 314-273-2809 or MedDEI@wustl.edu. A schedule of Grab 'n' Go events can be found [here](#).

Smith to Present at Mental Health Clinical Scholarship Event

Date: Saturday, October 14th, 8:30am - 1pm

Location: Webster University Campus, Browning Hall ISB



WashU SOM Psychotherapist, Gladys Smith, will present on the topic of using trauma sensitive yoga with clients at Community Convening, an event hosted by the Chiron Community Giving Foundation and Webster University Department of Professional Counseling. Presentations will be focused on attaining a better understanding of the effects of chronic stress and trauma on health and wellbeing. Keynote Speaker Dr. Nadine Burke Harris will discuss the effects of adverse childhood experiences throughout the lifespan. [Register here.](#)

CIPE Fall Workshop Offerings

Registration for the Center for Interprofessional Practice & Education's Fall Professional Development Workshop Series is now open. Information and registration can be found [here](#).

In October: Creating and Implementing a Safe Learning Climate for Today's Learners

Date: Thursday, October 12th, 12-1pm or Monday, October 16th, 4-5pm

Location: Zoom, [Register Here](#)



Overview: The SAFE initiative aims to improve our learning environment by promoting positive behaviors and managing concerns about mistreatment and unprofessional behaviors. The Supporting a Fair Environment (SAFE) Committee, led by Dr. Lisa Moscoso, Division Chief for Pediatric Hospital Medicine and Dr. Jenny Duncan, Director of Wellness for GME, has been working over the past several years to advance this initiative. Dr. Christine Berg will join them as a member of the SAFE Committee. New scenarios will be shared.

Academy Corner

Connect with the Academy of Educators



The Academy of Educators leadership team frequently presents at department meetings about who the Academy serves and what we offer in educator development. Academy members also regularly present content specific sessions to departments with recent topics including mitigating bias in assessment and feedback best practices. We welcome the opportunity to speak with your faculty about the Academy or other mutually agreed upon topics. Please submit workshop/session requests

[here](#) and program (topics/ideas) suggestions [here](#).

For additional Academy news and celebrations, please visit the [news](#) section of the Academy of Educators [website](#).

Registration is Open for Education Day 2023



Registration is open for the Academy of Educators Education Day on October 10th from 1:00p – 5:45p. Don't miss the chance to connect with educators across WashU School of Medicine! Also, build your network, participate in exciting workshops and

roundtable sessions, join us in welcoming our new members, and help us celebrate award recipients. [Register here.](#)

Call for Small Grants Applications



The Academy of Educators in collaboration with the Medical Education Research Unit (MERU) of the Washington University School of Medicine are pleased to announce the call for proposals for grant funding for education research and scholarship projects. Projects must be focused on the scholarship of teaching and learning, rather than biomedical discovery or application. Proposals may originate from any unit within the School of Medicine. The principal investigator must be a WUSM faculty member. Grants of up to \$5000 will be awarded based on a competitive review process. Questions about the appropriateness of a proposal can be directed to [MERU](#). Application and requirements can be found [here](#). **Submission Deadline: November 1, 2023**

Academy Workshop Offerings



How to Write a Budget for an Education Scholarship Grant

Date: *Thursday, October 5th, 12-1pm*

Location: *Zoom, [Register Here](#)*

Overview: At the end of this session, participants will be prepared to:

- Identify the budget line items needed to cost-effectively support an education scholarship project
 - Write a justification for the line items in a budget for an education scholarship grant
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Mentorship Best Practices

Date: *October 23, November 9, and December 11, 12:30-2pm*

Location: *Mid Campus Center, [Register Here](#)*

Overview: This 3-part series will discuss best practices, skill building, culturally responsive mentorship, and mentorship challenges. We recommend that participants sign up for all 3 sessions. The series is geared towards clinical faculty who work with learners, and we welcome a diversity of experiences. A certificate of completion is offered to those who attend all 3

workshops. Please contact the Academy of Educators with questions at academyofeducators@wustl.edu.

Works in Progress News

The October Works in Progress meeting will feature a presentation by a recipient of the Small Grants Program offered through the Academy of Educators and the Medical Education Research Unit.



- **Monday, October 30, 2023, 4:30-5:30pm**, Dr. Tyler McKinnish, A Multi-Modal Ultrasound Course for OB/Gyn Residents

Consider sharing your scholarship project with the group! Sign up [here](#). Meeting [Zoom link](#) (Meeting ID: 933 5737 7732; Passcode: 626880). **Contact Jaye Maggiolo at jayem@wustl.edu with questions.**

Good News

WUSM Students Staff Health Fair at Hispanic Festival



WashU School of Medicine MedSpan and LMSA students (including Tucker Hansen, Joshua McPhie, and Santiago Blanco Torres, pictured above) volunteered at a health screen fair for the Greater St. Louis Hispanic Festival in September. Students screened 80+ patients and identified patients with hypertension and hyperglycemia who were then advised of recommendations for follow-up and provided resources. Other festival attendees gathered recommendations for primary care providers for patients with and without insurance. “I am incredibly proud of the student leaders who did a wonderful job

organizing and mentoring the volunteer first-year students. They all worked hard and learned a great deal. I am also grateful for Dr. Ana Maria Arbelaez for helping us partner with the Healthy Kids Express mobile unit to set up our screening clinic, and for supervising the students, and Dr. Milarys Hernandez Martinez who acted as supervising attending as well,” said Dr. Katherine Rivera-Spoljaric, Professor of Pediatrics.

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EXPLORE Welcomes 2023 Phase 1 MD Students



The WUSM EXPLORE Program held its annual introductory session for Phase 1 MD students (entering class of 2023) in September. Students learned about the program from Director Dr. Terry Kummer and each of the pathway leads. Dr. Caline Mattar represented Advocacy/Global Health, Dr. Eva Aagaard spoke on behalf of Dr. Sara Greer for Education, Dr. Linda Wu presented on Innovation, and Dr. Koong-Nah Chung and Dr. Dorina Kallogjeri discussed Research. Fall events

and details can be found in Keystone or by emailing explore@wustl.edu.

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Khabele Delivers Keynote at Meharry Research Week



In September, Dr. Dineo Khabele, Professor and Chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, delivered the Keynote address at Meharry Research Week at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, TN. Khabele spoke on the topic of OB/GYN related cancers. Every summer, the Office of Medical Student Research hosts the WUSM Meharry Summer Research Program (Meharry SRP), a program to expose Meharry medical students to cutting-edge biomedical research and provide hands-on research experience. Meharry SRP aims to increase the number of academic physicians at WUSM and throughout the nation.

Dr. Koong-Nah Chung Celebrates Daughter's Wedding



Dr. Koong-Nah Chung is proud to announce the marriage of her daughter Eudora Olsen to John Stubbs. The ceremony took place in Santa Fe, NM, and was officiated her Eudora's brother, Percy. Congratulations Eudora & John!

Good Reads

Never Walk Alone



In times of crisis, seek inclusion over isolation. The vulnerability of sharing our stories that brings connection and allows us to build community. [Full article.](#)

5 Ways to be a Better Team Player



Collaborative skills are a vital component of any successful workplace. Whether working remotely or in-person, these key elements can help employees improve their collaboration skills. [Full article.](#)

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