

Weekly Newsletter September 30-October 4, 2024

PQHS NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS



Tuesday, October 1, 2024, 11:30AM-1:30PM – Faculty Conference Room 1st Floor of the Medical School Office of Faculty Affairs is hosting Faculty Resource Fair: Access essential information and make in-person contacts with offices that help support faculty endeavors and faculty advancement.



Wednesday, October 2nd – 10:00 – 11:00 AM

Research Methods Meeting –Title: SMART Study Designs in Medical Research with an Example in Diabetes Management

Presenter: [Bruce A. Barton, PhD](#), Professor, Division of Biostatistics and Health Services Research and Director, Quantitative Methods Core, UMass Chan Medical School

Brief Description: Dr. Barton will provide insight into the use of SMART designs using the design of an NIH-funded study (TEAM CGM, Dr. Ben Gerber, PI) of the addition of CGMs to standard blood glucose management in diabetics with uncontrolled glucose levels.

Click [here](#) to join or call 1 301 715 8592, Meeting ID: 948 2951 6040 password: 202286

Research Methods Meetings Resume - We are excited to announce that the [PQHS Wednesday Research Methods Meetings](#) will resume starting September 18 and will continue through June 18, 2025 (with a summer break in July and August). Meetings are held on the **1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 10 AM**.

The goal is to share innovative research methods, explore current challenges like reducing inequities, highlight method-focused publications, seek feedback on research problems for grants, and identify collaborators for new or ongoing projects.

Meeting details will be announced in the weekly PQHS newsletter but if you would like to receive a reminder prior to each seminar, please email judi.saber@umassmed.edu to be added to the distribution list. If you are on this list, you will also receive an Outlook invitation to your calendar.

We also invite you to consider presenting your work at one of our meetings. Please contact arlene.ash@umassmed.edu if you'd like to learn more.

We look forward to seeing you there and engaging in valuable discussions!

PQHS HAPPENINGS



Sign up to have lunch with the Chair & Vice Chair! There are still slots available to pick from. Lunch with the Chair and Vice Chair sign ups are first come first serve for 3 Faculty Members and 3 Staff Members each month to have to have a nice catered meal and to talk about anything, but *NO WORK TALK*. Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up for the date that works for you. Thank you!

Click [here](#) to sign up!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Tuesday, October 8, 2024, 12:00PM-1:00PM – Via Zoom

Umass Chan Library: Present a Professional Development Seminar – “*Perfecting your NIH or NSF Biosketch: A SciENCv Workshop*”

Presented by: Tess Grynock & Leah Honor, are Research Data & Scholarly Communications Librarians at the Lamar Soutter Library

Preparing to apply for a fellowship or your first R01? Need to meet the new National Science Foundation (NSF) requirement to complete your biographical sketch in SciENCv or want to be prepared when the NIH institutes a similar requirement? Join us to learn about the basics of creating NIH and NSF Biosketches, and how using the NCBI tools My Bibliography and SciENCv can save you time and effort when crafting your biosketch.

Click [here](#) to Register.



29TH ANNUAL RESEARCH RETREAT

at UMass Amherst Conference Center
1 Campus Way, Amherst, MA 01003



October 17-18th, 2024

October 17-18, 2024 – UMass Amherst Conference Center

We cordially invite you to attend the UMass Chan 29th Annual Research Retreat, October 17-18, 2024. The retreat is scheduled for the UMass Amherst Conference Center and features talks from new UMass Chan faculty and students, a poster session, as well as opportunities for networking.

KEY INFO BEFORE YOU REGISTER

POSTER ABSTRACTS: Submit on the SharePoint Site- [UMass Chan Annual Research Retreat - Home \(sharepoint.com\)](#)

Poster Abstracts are due September 13th!

Anyone participating in the poster session must **first** register for the event and **then upload their poster abstract by September 13th**. Any abstracts received after the 9/13 WILL NOT be considered for judging.

Poster abstracts will be reviewed by the judges. The top abstracts will be selected to speak at the Research Retreat. All posters must be hung at the Retreat adjacent to the Campus Center Auditorium by 10:00 AM on October 17th. Authors must be available to present their posters in the poster session.

We look forward to an exciting event and hope you will join us at UMass Amherst!

UMass Amherst Campus | Lincoln Campus Center & Hotel | 1 Campus Center Way, Amherst, MA 01003

UMass Boston Department of Gerontology & Gerontology Institute Present Proseminar Speaker Series Fall 2024

Monday, October 28, 2024

1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

via [Zoom](#)

[Hui \(Cathy\) Liu, PhD](#)

Professor Department of Sociology Purdue University
Same-Sex Couples and Cognitive Function in Later Life

Monday, November 4, 2024

1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

via [Zoom](#)

[Huijing Wu, PhD](#)

Assistant Research Fellow, Institute of European and American Studies,
Academia Sinica, Taiwan.

*Living apart together (LAT) relationships and psychological well-being:
Does partnership status matter for older adults?*

via Zoom: <https://umassboston.zoom.us/j/94175483404> - Password: Boston

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UMASS CHAN REMINDER

Holiday Calendar for UMass Chan Medical School

Remaining Holiday Schedule for 2024:

- Indigenous Peoples' Day – Monday, October 14th
- Veterans Day – Monday, November 11th
- Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 28th
- Day After Thanksgiving – Friday, November 29th
- Christmas Eve – Tuesday, December 24th
- Christmas Day – Wednesday, December 25th



UMass Chan Medical School's [Office of Communications](#) is initiating regularly scheduled opportunities where faculty, staff, and students can have a professional headshot taken. Photos are taken every other Wednesday from 9 AM to 3 PM on the fifth floor of the Sherman Center by the elevators. Each session caps at 50 people. Anyone at UMass Chan can sign up using this document found on the SharePoint site. **See updated link for new options: [Photo Sign-Ups \(office365.com\)](#)**

PQHS Weekly will be sent to all members of PQHS on Monday mornings. The intent is to provide a snapshot of what is going on that week in PQHS and to share our faculty and staff activities with the department. We depend on you to provide the items we need to share. Please send suggestions of events, faculty invited seminars & talks, honors, student thesis presentations, and news – new babies born! – to Kellie (kellie.armstrong@umassmed.edu) & Sarah (sarah.yeboah@umassmed.edu) by Friday each week.