A Note from Associate Dean Ann Marie McCarthy

It’s been a busy and productive month! I want to take a moment to congratulate the following folks for their accomplishments:

- **Lisa Segre’s** project titled “Listening Visits: An evidence-based, nurse-delivered treatment for depressive and anxiety symptoms in mothers of hospitalized newborns” was selected as a finalist for the new Hillman Foundation Innovations in Care program, which seeks to improve health care for vulnerable populations and will award at least two 3-year grants of up to $600,000 each. The Foundation received 260 applications nationally and Lisa was one of only 22 finalists. She will be working with the ONRS to submit a full proposal in July.

- This spring, four undergraduate students were selected for the Young Scientist Program that is led by **Sue Gardner**:
  - Xiaoyue (Sherry) Liu (mentor: Marianne Smith)
  - Miranda Schmidt (mentor: Kristine Williams)
  - Annie Starykowicz (mentor: Kristine Williams)
  - Megan Schuster (mentor: Lioness Ayres)

- Undergraduate **McKenzie Wallace** was awarded a Stanley Award for International Research to conduct work this summer in Hanover, Germany. She is gathering and analyzing patient education data to improve maternal health.

- Undergraduate **Brenda Rocha** was selected by the Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates for the Summer AND Academic year for the ICRU Research Fellows Program. She is working on Diabetes Risk Perception research with her mentor, **Sandy Daack-Hirsch**.

- Undergraduate **Alejandra Gonzalez** has been selected as an Iowa Bioscience Advantage Candidate beginning Summer 2014. Alejandra is interested in autism research and is mentored by **Melissa Lehan Mackin**.

- **Linda Hand** is a co-author on “The Malleability of Spatial Skills: A Meta-Analysis of Training Studies,” which was just awarded the George A. Miller Award for Division 1 of the American Psychological Association as the most distinguished publication in General Psychology for 2014.

- PhD student **Star Booker’s** abstract titled “Predictors of Analgesic Use in Advanced Knee Osteoarthritis” was selected out of 2,000 submitted to be presented at the 15th World Congress on Pain in Buenos Aires, Argentina.
NIH Biosketches are Changing (again)

Excerpted from the June 3, 2014 “Rock Talk” by the OER at NIH:

“We’re set for a major change in how you portray your body of work when applying for NIH funds. With strong support from NIH leadership, we will be rolling out a new biosketch format....

The new format...will allow up to five pages for the entire biosketch, and researchers will be permitted to describe up to five of their most significant contributions to science, the influence of their contributions on their scientific field, and any subsequent effects of those contributions on health or technology. The new format also will allow researchers to describe their specific role in those discoveries and to annotate their description with up to four publications. Additionally, researchers will be allowed to include a link to their complete list of publications in SciEnCV or My Bibliography....”  Read more at:  http://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2014/05/22/changes-to-the-biosketch/?utm_source=nexus&utm_medium=email&utm_content=nihupdate&utm_campaign=may14#sthash.uh4BnsNA.dpuf

The ONRS is prepared to help everyone make this transition. The new format is currently being pilot tested at NIH and will likely begin to be required for applications submitted in early 2015. Please contact us with any questions!

2014 CON Grantsmanship Workshop

Thanks to everyone who participated in the 2014 Grantsmanship Workshop. Our speakers were fantastic and the seven proposals received the undivided attention of workshop attendees and our outstanding senior faculty mentors. We had great participation from our graduate students as well, thank you!

Recordings of the workshop presentations are available. Click on the green links within the workshop schedule to listen and view the slides:  http://www.nursing.uiowa.edu/sites/default/files/documents/research/2014-CON%20Grantsmanship%20Workshop%20Schedule.pdf

2014-2015 Research Forum – Need your input!

We are developing our list of speakers for the 2014-2015 Research Forum series. If there is someone at Iowa you’re interested in hearing or have recently heard present, we want to hear from you!

Please email your ideas for sessions and speakers to Linda Hand (linda-hand@uiowa.edu). We are also interested in your feedback about the 2013-2014 Research Forums and Lunches, so please send along your comments on those as well. Thanks to everyone who has participated in our Research Forums and Lunches!