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September 27—SPH Career Fair, 9 am—1 pm, HDC

October
October 15—Priority deadline for financial aid for spring
October 16-17—John A. Rock, MD Visiting Scholar
October 17—Abstract deadline for Graduate Research Day

November
November 8—Last day to defend theses and dissertations
November 8—Graduate Research Day
November 13—Spring 2020 Practice Experience Proposal Due
November 27— Spring 2020 Independent Studies, All Completed Paperwork Due

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

2019 SPH Career Fair

One-On-One:
Resume Review
Cover Letter Review

Presentations On:
Salary Negotiation
Other Job Search Tips

Friday, September 27, 2019
9:00 AM—1:00 PM
Human Development Center

Includes:
• Alumni Panel Discussion
• Employers and Practice Sites
• LUNCH!!
**DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION**

*Just as a reminder:* The *SPH Diversity Committee* is an open committee. There are no assigned program representatives.

**ANYONE CAN JOIN!**

Contact Dr. Randi Kaufman rkauf1@lsuhsc.edu for more information including meeting schedule.

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**UPCOMING READS..........................**

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**Race Around the Table**

**September 26th, 2019, 4-6pm, Lion’s Building, Room 602**

Leaders and influencers will come together on one night to host the largest simultaneous conversation about race in New Orleans's history. Campaign for Equity New Orleans (CENO) alumni will host events to discuss race, inequities, and how racial disparities are holding New Orleans back from realizing its true potential.

**What Is Race Around the Table?**

On September 26th, 2019, New Orleans leaders and influencers will come together to host the largest simultaneous conversation about race in our city's history! All across the city, all in one night, CENO alumni will host events with their friends, neighbors, and family to discuss race, inequities, and how racial disparities are holding New Orleans back from realizing its true potential. Our event will bring the LSU NO HSC community together for facilitated small group conversations. Light refreshments will be served.

**We hope to see you there to keep the momentum going.**

**Registration is required.**
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
School of Medicine
Dean’s Research Seminar Series

“The Scientists for Translational Research in Youth (STORY) Research Collaborative, LSUHSC School of Public Health”

Henry J. Nuss, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
Behavioral and Community Health Sciences
LSUHSC School of Public Health

September 18, 2019; 11am-noon
Lion’s 6th floor Large Conference Room
Lunch will be provided

Please email Martha Cuccia if you plan to attend APHA

Information Technology Office Hours
Faculty, staff, and students are invited to learn, ask questions, and share their ideas with LSU Health New Orleans IT staff

Thursday, September 19
Downtown Campus
1:00 - 2:00 PM
MEB Seminar Room 3 and zoom

Dental Campus
3:00 - 4:00 PM
Auditorium A

This month’s featured topic:
Get to Know Microsoft Forms
Presented by Todd LaGrange
Learn More, Sign Up for Updates, zoom: https://lsuh.sc/ITOOfficeHours

APHA 2019
ANNUAL MEETING & EXPO
PHILADELPHIA | NOV. 2 – 6
CREATING THE HEALTHIEST NATION:
FOR SCIENCE. FOR ACTION. FOR HEALTH.

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
ACHIEVING REGIONAL OBJECTIVES

Speaker:
Elena McEwan, MD
STA Maternal and Child Health|
Catholic Relief Services

OCTOBER 16, 2019
3:30 PM TO 4:30 PM
MEB SEMINAR 4

Window Shopping: Check-in on our patient through the hospital glass!

In celebration of Healthcare Simulation Week,

September 16th - 19th
MEB 3110 (across from the cafeteria)

Check out simulated patient room to identify patient safety risks and enter for a chance to win prizes.
Join Girl Scouts on Saturday, September 28

9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Louisiana State University campus

Believe in G.I.R.L. (B.I.G.) event!

Target Audience:
Nearly 2,000 G.I.R.L.s (Go-getters, Innovators, Risk-takers, Leaders) from across southeast Louisiana with a come-and-go expo atmosphere. Girl Scout troops will explore the various exhibits and presentations throughout the day. Be sure to bring information to give out about your organization and any opportunities you have for Girl Scouts throughout the year.

Presenters will provide a hands-on, informative display or activity with educational aspects relating to Girl Scouts’ focus areas such as STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math), Life Skills, the Outdoors, the Arts, and Entrepreneurship. This is the perfect opportunity to showcase these areas and your organization, role models and career opportunities that exist, as well as how girls can get involved. Lunch will be provided to presenters.

Association of Women in Science

E-mail Crescent Combe if you are interested in volunteering.

Help needed for 12:00 to 2:30 pm shift
Carpooling is an option!
Sign up @ https://doodle.com/poll/9yubu4dfzqc3y6t6

Event hosts 200 or so organizations with interactive displays focused on STEM, Arts, Outdoors, and Entrepreneurship. At our AWIS table, we typically see a lot of girls between 8 and 10 years old. Girl Scouts can don PPE and practice pipetting and measuring liquid, and/or construct simple circuits to light up LEDs, using electricity-conductive dough.

Volunteers Needed
Airport public safety exercise
Wednesday, Sep. 25

The Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY) is seeking 100 volunteers to participate in a full-scale airport public safety exercise. This important drill will help MSY and their public safety partners test emergency response plans in the event of an incident.

Volunteers will be assigned various roles to play in the exercise, including roles with varying degrees of injury. Role-playing with real people allows emergency personnel to fully test plans, policies, and response.

Date & Time: September 25, 2019, 7am-1pm

Location: Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY West Ramp - Red Roof Building - 4 W Access Rd, Kenner)

Water, lunch and free parking are included.

Registration: Click here to register to volunteer.
Graduate Research Day  
Friday, November 8, 2019  
ABSTRACTS DUE OCTOBER 17  
Human Development Center Building

Graduate Research Day is a great opportunity to showcase the research that is being generated. The Graduate Research Manual highlights the objectives, format guidelines, rules, and judging criteria. Abstracts are due in on Thursday October 17. Attached are Abstract Instructions and the Abstract Submission form. You can consult the manual for additional information on how your poster will be judged.

Please contact the our SPH representative for more info Ed Trapido, ScD

In–School Poster Printing Has Returned!!

Need a poster printed? The typical scientific poster costs $45 and will need to be charged to an internal program or project account through the LSUHSC accounting system (no cash or checks). Posters should be ordered 1 week prior to the date needed for pick-up. Contact Whitney for details.

2019 National Hispanic Science Network  
International Conference  
October 9-11, 2019  
LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans  
411 South Prieur Street, New Orleans, LA  70112

Hortensia de Los Angeles Amaro, PhD  
Distinguished University Professor and Senior Scholar on Community Health  
Robert Wertheim College of Medicine and  
Robert Stempel College of Public Health and Social Work

Life Adversities and Risk for Chronic Disease

Registration is now open!
Edward Peters, DMD, ScD; Tekeda Ferguson, PhD; Susanne Straif-Bourgeois, PhD; and Edward Trapido, ScD recently attended the American College of Epidemiology (ACE) Annual Meeting.

Congratulations to Dr. Edward Peters on his induction as a Fellow into the American College of Epidemiology

Also, presented: The effect of neighborhood concentrated disadvantage on the association between hospital-associated infections and survival in people living with HIV (poster); Susanne Straif-Bourgeois, PhD; Dayana Rojas, PhD (Class of 2019)
LSUHSC IPSA Projects

New Orleans Women and Children's Shelter Outreach (NOWCS)
Established in 2015, there are currently two shelter locations, Liberty Street and Chateau d’Orleans. Students provide health education to the women living in the shelter and engage the children in various activities. NOWCS Outreach program, visit our website and Facebook page.

Student Leader: Bailey Gentile
Faculty Advisor: Dr. Donna Williams

Education Outreach at the Shelter  2020 S. Liberty St.
- Sept. 18 from 6-7pm ("Diabeats" Hip Hop Dance Class)
- Oct. 2 from 6-7pm (Mental Health Awareness Screening/Education)
- Oct. 9 from 6-7pm (Breast and Cervical Cancer Education)
- Oct. 16 from 6-7pm (Dance/Exercise Class)

Sensory Friendly Sundays
Sunday, October, 20, 2019 at the Audubon Zoo for "Halloween"
A partnership with the Louisiana Children's Museum and the Audubon Nature Institute to host Sensory Friendly Sundays for children with disabilities and their families before the normal hours. Student volunteers develop a unique theme and create a variety of activities to facilitate different motor, sensory and cognitive skills.

Student Leaders:
Louisiana Children’s Museum Katelyn Brady or Julie Heigle
Audubon Nature Institute - Elise Loisel or Ashley Whitlow

Students for Sustainability
Wednesday, September 18, 12-1pm, MEB, Sem 7
Jane Patton from The Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL) will discuss the life cycle of plastics, tips about waste reduction and the facts & myths behind recycling in New Orleans. Light lunch will be provided.

New Orleans Climate Strike
Join the rest of the world for the Global Climate Strike in New Orleans on Friday, September 20th. There are 3 locations hosting strikes throughout the city. Go to this link to find out more info: https://actionnetwork.org/event_campaigns/us-climate-strikes

Recycling Committee Meeting
Monday, September 23rd from 12-1pm in MEB Room 7.
Brainstorm campus sustainability projects
STUDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

ORAL HEALTH SUMMIT

DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2019
LOCATION: OUR LADY OF THE LAKE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

The Louisiana Oral Health Coalition is hosting the inaugural Louisiana Oral Health Summit!

This summit will bring together stakeholders including public health providers, academia, community organizations, associations, students, health systems, public health program staff, and policy-makers in oral health from across the state.

If you’d like to volunteer, email:
Lisa Staples at lisa@eatmovegrow.us
or Hasheemah Afaneh at hafane@lsuhsc.edu

Student Leadership Institute

Registration Now Open!!!

Saturday, November 2 – Sunday, November 3
Location: Philadelphia Convention Center
Registration Deadline: Registration will be open until October 18, or until the event sells out, whichever comes first.

Attendees will learn: (1) Three design thinking tools and methodologies (Affinity Mapping, Customer Journey Mapping, and Problem Scoping) and (2) How to use Execution Intelligence around ideas: Ideation Skills, Product Cycles, Resource Mapping

Through the Student Leadership Institute, you’ll not only learn these skills, but be able to bring your project to a Guinness World Record event next year! Through our partnership with Experimental Civics, attendees who wish to do so will get to participate in Capsule, the largest civic hackathon in the world focused on addressing the climate crisis.

SGA's ReBuild Center Foot Health Drive

Ends Thursday, September 19
Collection boxes can be found @ 2nd and 3rd floor elevators
The Evaluation Committee & Diversity and Inclusion Committee are working together to administer a  **CLI-MATE SURVEY**  this November for faculty, students and staff.  

*Please participate when this opportunity is announced!!!*

Feedback Link still available:  
[https://sph.lsuhsc.edu/resources/evaluation-committee/](https://sph.lsuhsc.edu/resources/evaluation-committee/)

**New Chair:**  
Tung Sung Tseng, BCHS

**New Program Reps:**  
Ariane Rung, EPID  
Dan Harrington, ENHS  
Angela Chiu, HPSM

**Meetings:**  
Third Friday of each month

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**ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT**

**Rachel Mayer, MPH (BCHS—Class of 2017)**  

Rachel Mayer is a Senior Health Systems Analyst at The MITRE Corporation, where she serves as Principal Investigator on the MITRE Maternal Mortality Interactive Dashboard (3MID) Project. 3MID is a microsimulation model and policy simulator via an interactive dashboard to investigate reducing racial disparities in maternal mortality rates through strategic interventions.

As a student, under the guidance and support of Dr. Culbertson (HPSM), Ms. Mayer obtained a Strategic and Communications Internship at Kaiser Permanente’s Mid-Atlantic States Headquarters which she used as her Practice Experience, and then accepted their invitation to stay for nearly a year more.

This November, you can find Ms. Mayer with her poster, *MITRE Maternal Mortality Interactive Dashboard (3MID): A Tool To Drive United States Quality Improvement Efforts In Maternal Care*, at APHA’s Annual Meeting. Her work has also been featured in *Health Affairs Blog* and as an op-ed in the *Baltimore Sun* among other publications.

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