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SPH News:

Prof. Chilton Receives 2007 Claneil Foundation Award



Asst. Professor Mariana Chilton, PhD, MPH, of the Drexel University School of Public Health, has received a 2007 [Claneil Foundation](#) Award for her work as Principal Investigator for [The Philadelphia GROW Project](#). The Award was established "to recognize individuals whose previous success addressing the most important and challenging

issues facing our country today suggests their extraordinary potential to effect meaningful change into the future." The Award is presented as a grant in the amount of \$100,000.

Prof. Chilton was cited in particular for the GROW Project's attention to core priorities of the Foundation: hunger, nutrition, and access to health care.

More: <http://publichealth.drexel.edu/533/>

Prof. Newschaffer co-authors a New Report on Children with Autism and Fever in Pediatrics



Prof. Craig J. Newschaffer, PhD, Professor and Chair of the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, has co-authored a new study of autism in children with fever, "hypothesiz[ing] that fever may restore nerve cell communications in regions of the autistic brain. The restoration may help children improve socialization skills during a fever."

More: <http://publichealth.drexel.edu/538/>

Prof. Frank in SE Asia and India

Dr. Arthur L. Frank, Professor and Chair of the Department of Environmental and Occupational Health, traveled extensively through SE Asia and India during the late days of November and early December. Beginning in Bangkok, Dr. Frank presented at the Princess Chulabhorn Research Institute meeting of the Collegium Ramazzini, of which he is a Fellow.

More: <http://publichealth.drexel.edu/541/>



SPH New Faculty: Issa Zakeri



Associate Professor Issa Zakeri, PhD, has joined the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics. Issa Zakeri's academic accomplishments include a Ph.D in Mathematics and M.S. in Statistics, both from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

More: <http://publichealth.drexel.edu/531/>

Carolyn Mazure, PhD presents at SPH Grand Rounds Lecture Series and receives Marion Spencer Faye Award



On December 4, 2007, Dr. Carolyn Mazure presented a lecture on "Women's Health Research: From Vision to Innovation" at the Grand Rounds Lecture Series, sponsored by the School of Public Health and Health Partners. Dr. Mazure spoke about the significance of women's health research being a part of standard health research. She discussed the role of gender difference and gender specific prevention strategies in preventative health care.

After Dr. Mazure's presentation she received the prestigious Marion Spencer Faye Award, presented by the Drexel University College of Medicine's Institution Institute for Women's Health.

Dr. Mazure is a professor of Psychiatry and serves as Director of Women's Health Research at Yale University.

JOBS/INTERNSHIPS

For a complete listing of recently posted jobs and internships in various public health fields, please visit www.publichealth.drexel.edu/40.

Recent postings include:

Jobs:

Program Coordinator, Family Planning Council

The successful candidate will be a multi-cultural team player who is highly organized; detail oriented; responsive to deadlines and customer service oriented.

<http://publichealth.drexel.edu/537>

Director of Professional Development, SOPHE

Plan, implement and evaluate Society for Public Health Education (SOPHE)'s Annual Meeting in conjunction with SOPHE committees and officers.

<http://publichealth.drexel.edu/510>

HIV/AIDS Services Care Coordinator, Valley Forge Medical Center & Hospital

This position coordinates HIV/AIDS care services for HIV+ patients into the Valley Forge Medical Center & Hospital's in-patient substance abuse treatment programs.

<http://publichealth.drexel.edu/543>

Internships:

Internship, Center for Health Equality

The student will be involved in several projects, with emphasis on planning the Sixth National Conference on Quality Health Care for Culturally Diverse Populations, which will take place in Minneapolis, MN in September 2008.

<http://publichealth.drexel.edu/507>

Summer Internship, NIH Office of Biotechnology Activities:

The NIH Office of Biotechnology Activities (OBA) offers paid summer internships to students interested in gaining hands-on policy experience in a Federal government office in the areas of biosecurity, gene transfer, genetic technologies, and clinical research policy. [More....](#)

EVENTS

Student Conference on Global Challenges-- February 29th, 2008

As future leaders and global citizens, students are confronted by enormous global challenges from global warming, human trafficking, hunger and disease, and financial security risks to culture wars in cyberspace and the virtual world of blogs. These challenges offer new opportunities for innovation, creative problem solving, and global cooperation. How do students see these challenges and opportunities? What are their responsibilities as global citizens and how can they empower themselves as future leaders? This conference hopes to explore these questions through lively discussion among students. For more information visit: <http://www.drexel.edu/oip/studentconference2008.html>

Sixth National Conference on Quality Health Care for Culturally Diverse Populations September 21-24, 2008 -- Minneapolis, MN

Call for proposals open until January 31, 2008

Proposals are being accepted for the 2008 conference on Quality Health Care for Culturally Diverse Populations. **Presentations addressing cultural and linguistic competence in the context of emergency preparedness planning, research, training/education, and policy are encouraged.**

Co-produced by the Drexel University Center for Health Equality, Resources for Cross Cultural Health Care, and the federal Office of Minority Health, this meeting attracts over 600 attendees from North America and around the world. It features over 150 presentations during pre-conference intensive training sessions, plenary panels, roundtable sessions, and concurrent workshops, as well as a film festival and a resource center with poster presentations and exhibits.

For more details please visit: <http://www.DiversityRxConference.org>.

CHE: Brown Bag Lunches

The Brown Bag Research Lunches have returned for 2008. The lunches will occur every fourth Monday of the month at 12:00 Noon and will be held in the Dean's Conference room (please note the two exceptions below). The January kickoff will host Drs. Bowleg and Newschaffer as our guest speakers and the topic will be: "Developing successful grant awards for NIH and other federal agencies." Lunch will be provided for this kickoff, so if you intend to join us please RSVP to Mary Carty (mary.carty@drexel.edu) by Friday, January 25th.



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