

May Update

MEZCOPH 2018 Awards

- **Lynn Gerald, PhD, MSPH**, professor of public health and Canyon Ranch Endowed Chair received the Excellence in Community-Engaged Scholarship and Practice Award.
- **Heidi Brown, PhD, MPH**, assistant professor of epidemiology received the outstanding Teaching Award.
- **Chengcheng Hu, PhD**, associate professor of biostatistics received the Excellence in Research Award
- **Abby Lohr, MPH**, senior research specialist, in the Health Promotion Sciences Department received the Staff Award for Excellence in Research.
- **Ryley Tegler**, administrative assistant in the Office of Student Services and Alumni Affairs received the Staff Award for Excellence in Administration.

MEZCOPH Faculty in the Spotlight

- **Heidi Brown, PhD, MPH**, assistant professor of epidemiology, selected for a 2018-19 Fulbright U.S. Scholar grant. The title of her research project is, *Climate effects on differential mosquito-borne disease transmission in two endemic areas*. Dr. Brown will be working at the National Institute for Infectious Diseases, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, in Brazil during the summer of 2019

MEZCOPH New Grant awards

- **Doug Taren**: The Western Region Public Health Training Center (WRPHTC) has been funded for another cycle (5 years). Congratulations

CEP Transition

- Dr. Derksen is stepping down on June 30, 2018 to focus his efforts on the Center for Rural Health
- I initiated the process for an internal replacement (promotion from within) and asked faculty for nomination including self-nomination
- I received a large number of nomination letters/emails. There is still an opportunity to participate in the nomination process
- I am planning to meet with the potential candidate(s) next week to wrap-up the process
- Results will be presented at the June dean's council meeting
- A follow-up email will be sent to the department followed by public announcement to MEZCOPH/UAHS

Executive Dean's council update

- There was no meeting in May because of the College-wide retreat on May 14, 2018
- As a reminder: The dean's council meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month and the chairs of the faculty, APs, staff and student assemblies are welcome to submit an agenda item to Lorraine 10

days before the meeting to be 1) either discussed by the dean's council or 2) the chair or his/her representative can attend in person to present the issue to the council and be part of the discussion

Training Reminder: Required from ALL MEZCOPH employee

- As members of the University community, we share in the responsibility of creating and supporting an environment free of harassment and discrimination. In support of our commitment to this goal, the University offers a harassment prevention program to its employees, including student employees, in the form of online training. Through a series of engaging scenarios and activities, you will learn important principles and develop skills to enhance your working and educational relationships. The program will conclude with a comprehensive quiz.
- Please click on the following link: <http://equity.arizona.edu/online-training> and choose the appropriate training. Additional training is available titled "Preventing Sexual Misconduct".
- You will need your NetID to access the training module. Once you have completed the training, be sure to print the Certificate of Completion for your records and provide your Department Chair or unit director or supervisor with a copy. The training is valid for 2 years
- I ask **you to complete both training by August 2018** (before the start of the new academic year)

College-Wide retreat

- Thanks to all of you for participating in the College-wide May retreat.
- A summary of the APR The site visit report was discussed along with the planned steps/actions
- We introduced new MEZCOPH members: Faculty, APs and staff. Welcome to MEZCOPH family

MEZCOPH Convocation

- Thank you to everyone who participated in MEZCOPH convocation on May 12, 2018