



UMB GLOBAL NEWSLETTER

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UMB Global News



Mpower Sponsored CUGH Conference and Panel

Over three days in April, UMB faculty, staff, and students attended the Consortium of Universities for Global Health annual conference, ["Global Health at a Crossroads: Equity, Climate Change and Microbial Threats"](#) in Washington, D.C.

The University of Maryland Strategic Partnership: *MPowering the State* (Mpower) was a conference sponsor, bringing together the University of Maryland, Baltimore and the University of Maryland, College Park. Boris Lushniak, MD, MPH, Dean of the School of Public Health at University of Maryland, participated in the Welcome Session on the opening day.



MPOWER sponsored a plenary session on Transformative Partnerships with the National Public Health Institutes for Sustained Global Health Implementation and Research, moderated by Man Charurat, PhD, MHS, Director of IHV Division of Epidemiology and Prevention and Global Director for the Center of International Health, Education, and Biosecurity (CIHEB). The panel featured:



- Ifedayo Adetifa, PhD, MSc, Director General of the Nigeria Center for Disease Control
- Matthew Kagoli, Director General (Acting) of the Public Health Institute of Malawi
- Alash'le Abimiku, PhD, Executive Director of the International Research Center of Excellence, Institute of Human Virology in Nigeria

The Center for Global Engagement at UMB sponsored the registration of 10 UMB students: Ahlam Ashkar, Olivia Babick, Shania Bailey, Angella Bbosa, Karen Jaynes, Hanna LeBuhn, Nicholas Leahy, Cheryl Murphy, Shivakumar Narayanan, and Alexis Vetack.



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Join the UMB Team Traveling to Costa Rica to Partner in Aging Research

Deadline May 12

With the support of the [Alicia and Yaya Initiative in Global Aging Research](#), a UMB team is traveling to the University of Costa Rica to develop partnerships with Costa Rican scholars in the area of aging research (clinical, basic science, and sociocultural). There are two remaining spots available for UMB faculty members with all travel and hotel expenses covered.

The dates are July 19-27 (inclusive of travel) and include participation in the [International Congress in Gerontology](#) in San Jose, Costa Rica, and site visits to the Nicoya Peninsula. If you have an aging research portfolio or want to pivot to aging research and are interested in meeting Costa Rican scholars for potential collaboration, please reach out to [Virginia Rowthorn](#) in the Center for Global Engagement by Friday, May 12. Spanish language skills are not required. Seed funding will be available for new collaborations starting in fall 2023.

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Applications Open for Faculty Development Institute in Costa Rica

Deadline June 2

Applications are now open for the second [UMB/Costa Rica Faculty Development Institute](#), an immersive faculty development program in Costa Rica for a select cohort of UMB faculty members to globalize their courses, modules, tracks, or clinical electives.

From December 9-16, 2023, faculty members will engage in a series of interactive workshops on topics such as learning design and assessment, strategies to globalize curricula, ethical global engagement, incorporating active learning, inclusive classroom practice, and other topics.

Participants must propose a global course, module, track, clinical elective, or international program that they will design in collaboration with skilled trainers during the workshop. Travel, lodging, and food are covered for selected Fellows by the Institute.

Application deadline is June 2 with acceptance decisions by June 16.

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Celebrate and Honor Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month at UMB

May 10 at noon online

May is Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month and UMB's Intercultural Center will be honoring and celebrating with The Table Dialogue: Unpacking the Model Minority Myth in Education.

Join The Table Dialogue to examine the roots of the model minority myth, how it blankets over the diverse experiences of AAPI communities, and how it impacts other racially minoritized groups, especially within the educational system. Register [here](#).

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Health Outcomes in Costa Rican Older Adults: The Role of Obesity & Stress Webinar

May 23 at 12:15 p.m. online

Carolina Santamaria-Ulloa, PhD, Health Research Institute, University of Costa Rica, will present, "[Health Outcomes in Costa Rican Older Adults: The Role of Obesity and Stress](#)" May 23 from 12:15-1:45 p.m.

This virtual presentation will highlight findings from a national cohort study in Costa Rica. Santamaria-Ulloa will talk about what they have learned thus far about older adults from research published in two articles using the CRELES cohort and about how data can be used to influence policy changes.

Santamaria-Ulloa is a [Alicia and Yaya Initiative in Global Aging Research](#) Faculty Exchange Fellow.

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Register for the IHV 25th Anniversary and Dr. Robert Gallo Scientific Legacy Symposium

September 28-29 at Four Seasons Hotel, Baltimore

Join the Institute of Human Virology September 28-29 for the IHV 25th Anniversary and Dr. Robert Gallo Scientific Legacy Symposium. Delayed by COVID-19, the event will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Institute of Human Virology and recognize Dr. Robert Gallo for his lasting scientific contributions.

The focus of IHV2023 is “Viruses of Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow” and feature John Nkengasong, MD, MSc, U.S. President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) Ambassador; CDC Director Rochelle Walensky MD, MPH; and Anthony Fauci, MD.

The 25th Anniversary Reception and Gala will take place at the close of Thursday’s session and celebrate the scientific legacy of Dr. Robert Gallo, as well as recognizing William Haseltine, PhD, this year’s IHV Lifetime Achievement Awardee for Scientific Contributions and Drug Development.

Registration is free for UMB faculty and staff.

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CGE News



International Student Advisor Named Employee of the Month

Mio Kamijo, International Student Advisor in the Office of International Services, was named [Employee of the Month](#) in March in recognition for her dedication to supporting international students and efforts to

organize a new Graduate School gerontology course and two-week study abroad trip to Japan.

Mio was nominated for the award by Gina Dreyer, Associate Director of International Services; Amy Ramirez, Executive Director of Global Learning and International Services; and Flavius Lilly, PhD, Vice Dean of the Graduate School and Vice Provost of Academic and Student Affairs.

Dreyer and Ramirez noted in the nomination that in just over four years at UMB, “Mio has grown so much and has truly owned her work engaging with the international student community on our campus. International students regularly compliment Mio for her responsiveness and empathetic approach to advising. Everything Mio touches is done in a professional, timely, and thorough manner.”

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Apply for Board Position with United Students of African Descent

United Students of African Descent (USAD) has some positions open for its 2023-2024 executive board. If interested, please complete the application to receive further instructions.

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LEAPS

*Leaders in Education:
Academy of Presidential
Scholars*

Inaugural LEAPS Symposium Featured UMB Global Leaders

UMB'S Leaders in Education: Academy of Presidential Scholars (LEAPS) initiative held its inaugural symposium on [“Fostering Inclusive Teaching and Learning Environments”](#) April 11 at the SMC Campus Center.

Three breakout sessions were led by CGE staff or Advisory Committee members:

- “Centering Equity in Global Learning Design” by Amy Ramirez, MA, Executive Director, Global Learning and International Services, and Carlos Faerron Guzmán, MD, MSc, Associate Professor of Global Health at the Graduate School
- “Best Practices for Creating an Inclusive Learning Environment” by Isabel Rambob, DDS, School of Dentistry
- “Inclusive Socialization in Professional Identity Formation”: Fotini Anagnostopoulos-King, DMD, and Kate Noonan, PhD, MSEd, School of Dentistry

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CGE Events



J-1 Scholar Orientation

May 10 at 11 a.m.

Join the Office of International Services to review the rules for maintaining J-1 Scholar status, as well as other topics about getting to know the UMB campus.

Once you register for the event, you will receive the Zoom link.

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External Global Events & Opportunities

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation



Apply for RWJF Health Equity Scholars for Action Program

Deadline: May 31 at 3 p.m.

The [Robert Wood Johnson Foundation](#) invites applications for its [2023 Health Equity Scholars for Action program](#).

According to RWJF, structural racism and discrimination have created obstacles for many qualified individuals when starting or advancing an academic career. The Health Equity Scholars for Action (HES4A) program aims to enhance the support, resources, and community necessary for participants with historically underrepresented backgrounds (HURs) to thrive professionally and personally.

Grants will be awarded to address the challenges that HURs typically experience and help them overcome obstacles to earning tenure. To be eligible, applicants must be from a systematically marginalized group that has historically been underrepresented in research disciplines; must have completed a terminal degree within the last five years; be a junior faculty member in an accredited school in the United States or its territories, with a full-time academic position that could lead to tenure, or a postdoctoral fellow poised to be in such a position by the start of the grant; and have a home institution that agrees to administer the grant.

Letters of intent are due May 31 at 3 p.m.

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Submit a Proposal for Global Learning for Global Challenges Conference

Proposals due May 26

In an increasingly interconnected and complex world, how are you preparing your students to meet today's global realities? Submit a proposal for the [AAC&U Conference on Global Learning, "Meeting Global Challenges."](#) and highlight your work on meeting global challenges.

At this in-person event, you will gather with hundreds of colleagues and experts from around the world to exchange ideas centered on increasing intentional global learning opportunities for all students across disciplines and at diverse institutional types. The conference will be held October 12–14 at the Renaissance Hotel in Washington, DC.

Submit your proposal by May 26 related to one of the following [tracks](#):

- Inclusive and Equitable Global Learning
- Career and Cultural Readiness for Global Engagement
- Civic Engagement and Community Engaged Learning in Global Contexts
- Equity in Digital Global Learning
- Innovation and Emerging Trends in Global Learning
- Professional Development for Global Learning
- Making the Case for Global Learning

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PAs and PA Students: Apply for Global Outreach Grants

PA FOUNDATION Deadline: June 9

Launched in 2005, the PA Foundation's Global Outreach Grants Program provides grants to support projects involving PAs and PA students in humanitarian activities designed to improve the quality of life in underserved areas outside the United States or its territories. The grants promote sustainable development in the areas of healthcare and health education for populations and communities in need.

The foundation provides funding for projects that enhance or expand existing programs and provide the participating PAs and students an invaluable learning experience in healthcare delivery, leadership, and project management.

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