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March 2018

Four UMSON Students Awarded Grants to Participate in Global Health Education Projects



Four UMSON students have been awarded grants to participate in the University of Maryland, Baltimore's Center for Global Education Initiatives grant program, which supports students traveling abroad this summer to various destinations to partake in global health initiative projects. Clinical Nurse Leader master's student **Elyse DeLaitre**; Bachelor of Science in Nursing students **Julie Factor** and **Sarah Litts**; and PhD student **Amy Nelson** received grants to participate in various projects. [Read more.](#)

UMSON Accepted to Maryland Green Registry

UMSON has demonstrated that it has shared information about a minimum of five of its environmental practices and has therefore been accepted to the Maryland Green Registry, a free, voluntary program that offers tips and resources to help businesses and other organizations set and meet their own goals on the path to sustainability. [Read more.](#)



SUPER Attends National Health Policy Conference

Clinical Nurse Leader master's students **Brett Kiser** and **Elyse De Laittre**, who both serve as officers for Students United for Policy, Education, and Research (SUPER), attended AcademyHealth's National Health Policy Conference in Washington D.C. Feb. 5-6. The conference featured lectures and panel discussions that focused on current legislative topics, health care spending, social determinants of health, and population health.



School Seeking Adjunct Professors and Preceptors

UMSON is seeking adjunct faculty members and preceptors. The School hires adjunct faculty members to provide clinical instruction to entry-level students in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program and the Clinical Nurse Leader master's option. UMSON is also seeking skilled, experienced preceptors to work with students as they complete their clinical requirements.

[Learn more.](#)



EVENTS

Cancer Survivorship: Fostering Resilience for Cancer Survivors

Wednesday, March 7

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

UMSON, Room 130

The University of Maryland School of Nursing and the University of Maryland Marlene and Stewart Greenebaum Comprehensive Cancer Center present an interprofessional, full-day conference focusing on preparing cancer survivors for the challenges of completing treatment and "bouncing forward" after cancer. [Learn more.](#)

Teaching in Nursing: What's Now, What's New, What's Next?

Monday, March 26

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

UMB SMC Campus Center, Elm Ballrooms A and B

The Institute for Educators presents a one-day nursing education conference with keynote speaker Marilyn Oermann, PhD, RN, ANEF, FAAN, Thelma M. Ingles Professor of Nursing and

director, Evaluation and Educational Research, Duke University School of Nursing. Email the [Institute](#) for more information. [Register now](#).

Annapolis Alumni Networking Event
Wednesday, March 28
4:30-6:30 p.m.
Brio Tuscan Grille

Join Dean Jane Kirschling, PhD, RN, FAAN, and fellow Annapolis-area alumni for an evening of networking and fun at the [Brio Tuscan Grille](#). Light refreshments and soft drinks will be provided, and a cash bar will be available. [RSVP](#) by Wednesday, March 21.

Determinants of Health: New Directions in Trauma-Informed Care
Dean's Lecture Series: Ann Ottney Cain Lecture in Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing
Thursday, March 29
4-5:30 p.m. (Reception to follow)
UMSON, Room 130

Exposure to traumatic events can impact health and well-being and increase the risk of dozens of illnesses and unhealthy behaviors. Understanding trauma as a determinant of health and identifying effective methods of trauma-informed care is a first step in responding. Linda Grabbe, PhD, FNP-BC, PMHNP-BC, clinical assistant professor, Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing at Emory University, presents in this third installment of the 2017-18 Dean's Lecture Series. [Register now](#).

Karen A. Armacost (BSN '77) 5th Annual Lecture on Geriatric Care
Thursday, April 12
4 p.m.
Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center, Richard A. Grossi Auditorium

Sarah Szanton, PhD, MS '98, RN, FAAN, will present "[From Clinical Insight to National Model: Helping Older Adults Remain at Home](#)." Seating is limited. Email [JoAnn Snell](#) to RSVP by Thursday, April 5.

An Evening with David Simon
Sunday, April 22, 2018
5 p.m.
Sagamore Pendry Hotel, 1715 Thames St, Baltimore, Maryland 21231

Join UMB President Jay A. Perman, MD, for an alumni event featuring David Simon, writer and producer of award-winning TV series *The Wire* and *Homicide: Life on the Street*. [RSVP now](#).

All-Alumni Reunion 2018
Friday, April 27-Saturday, April 28
UMSON

All alumni are invited to attend. [Online registration](#) is now open. If interested in volunteering on your class's planning committee, email [Cynthia Sikorski](#) or call 410-706-0674. [Learn more](#).

1968 Heritage Class Luncheon
Friday, April 27
10 a.m.-3 p.m.
UMSON

Come back to Baltimore to reminisce, reconnect, and celebrate the 50th anniversary of our newest Heritage Class, the Class of 1968. All Heritage Class alumni are invited to attend. Online registration is now open. For more information, email [Cynthia Sikorski](mailto:Cynthia.Sikorski@ummc.edu) or call 410-706-0674. [Register now.](#)

Additionally, a Class of 1968 Memory Book will be available to all class members for a modest fee. [Submit a memory.](#)

Save the Date: Denver-Area Alumni Luncheon
Thursday, July 19
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Holiday Inn Denver East-Stapleton

Join Dean Jane Kirschling, PhD, RN, FAAN, and Associate Dean Laurette Hankins at a festive lunch in Denver. More information is forthcoming.

ALUMNI NEWS & UPDATES

Abshire Receives Funding for Heart Health Study

Martha Abshire, MS '06, has been awarded an International Society for Heart & Lung Transplantation 2018 Nursing, Health Sciences and Allied Health Research Grant. The funding will support her project "The Context of VAD Caregiving: A Mixed Methods, Dyadic Study."



Dove promoted to Director of Nursing at UMMC

Cindy Dove, MS '13, RN, has been promoted to director of nursing for Medical and Surgical Services at the University of Maryland Medical Center (UMMC). Dove began her career at UMMC in 1999, most recently serving as nurse manager of the Surgical Intermediate Care and Thoracic Intermediate Care units.



Zink and Colleagues' Research Published in Military Medicine

New research by Elizabeth Zink, MS '02, RN, CCNS, CCRN, CNRN, and colleagues focuses on transtentorial herniation, a life-threatening neurologic condition that typically results from expansion of supratentorial mass lesions. Zink and team were published in [Military Medicine](#).



Williams interviewed on B'More Lifestyle Show

Anne Williams, DNP '12, MS '86, BSN '82, RN, director of community health at UMMC, was recently interviewed for the B'More Lifestyle Show. [Watch now](#).



UMSON Spirit Merchandise Available Online

[UMSON spirit merchandise is available online](#). Some items available for purchase include note cards with historical UMSON images, a plush crab in UMSON's school colors, and a spacious tote bag. The UMSON license plate frame will show your pride no matter where you travel in your car! For more information, email [Lorrie Voytek](#) or call 410-706-7640.



Career Resources for Alumni

UMSON students and alumni can access professional career services through the Student Success Center. Services include a job board, resume and cover letter writing workshops, interviewing skills workshops, mock interviews, and [online resources](#).



Docents Needed for Living History Museum

The UMSON Living History Museum is seeking alumni volunteers to serve as docents. The museum is open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during the academic semesters. Docents are also needed for occasional special events, such as school tours and open houses for new and prospective students. Scheduling is flexible. If you would like to volunteer, [email](#) Cynthia Sikorski or call 410-706-0674. [Learn more about the museum.](#)



KUDOS

Nicole Smith, MS, RN, CNE, CHSE, clinical instructor, USG, and **Mary Pat Ulicny, MHA, MS, RN, CNE**, clinical instructor and director, Clinical Simulation Lab, USG, spoke at the first annual Lippincott Nursing Education Innovation Summit in New Orleans, Louisiana Feb. 23-24, and presented "Flipping the Clinical Simulation Lab Using a Simulated EHR."

IN THE NEWS

Barbara Resnick, PhD '96, RN, CRNP, FAAN, FAANP, professor and Sonia Ziporkin Gershowitz Chair in Gerontology, addresses the most common reasons that residents move into assisted living facilities. [McKnight's Senior Living](#). Feb. 26

UMSON at USG, in partnership with the Healthcare Initiative Foundation (HIF) and WorkSource Montgomery, is addressing a critical need for nurses in Montgomery County, Maryland. HIF and WorkSource Montgomery are helping to accelerate the pipeline of students who earn nursing degrees by offering students scholarship funding through the Employment Advancement Right Now grant. [WJLA-TV](#). Feb. 7.

Lauren Covington, MS '12, RN, an UMSON PhD student, conducted a study in collaboration with a colleague at the University of Maryland School of Medicine about the negative health effects co-sleeping with toddlers can have on parents. The study was then referenced in an article, "Co-Sleeping with Toddlers" (pg. 20), which examines the risks and rewards of co-sleeping with toddlers. [Baltimore's Child Magazine](#). Feb 1.

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