



"The Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET), Lexington Kentucky, is located on the original homeland of diverse Native peoples who arrived over 10,000 years ago. The most recent among them were the Shawnee. Today, Kentucky is still home to over 25,000 Native people representing scores of tribal groups. CHET recognizes the injustices Native peoples have endured. Through this statement, we hope to begin the long process of healing."

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CHET's Weekly Communication Digest

CHET Call for GRA Applications

Application window: January 10 - March 1, 2022

The Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET, <https://chet.med.uky.edu/>) welcomes applications for a graduate research assistantship focused on innovative, transdisciplinary and impactful health equities research. CHET's



focal research involves preventing and improving outcomes from cancer, substance use, cardiovascular disease, and diabetes/obesity in vulnerable, traditionally underserved populations. Graduate students from all disciplines, including social sciences, public health, biomedical informatics, health policy, and others, are welcome. CHET research assistants will work with faculty engaged in a diverse array of research approaches, including community-based participatory research, survey design, policy, intervention, and dissemination and implementation science. CHET research assistants will engage and support efforts in research conduct, development of scholarly products (presentations, abstracts, peer-reviewed manuscripts), professional networking, enriching activities (speaker series, workshops), mentoring undergraduate students, statistical analysis, grantsmanship, and development of communication and promotional materials.

This is a full-time graduate research assistantship with a competitive stipend and tuition. The start-date is negotiable, and the assistantship may be renewable for multiple years. Members of underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.

Applications will be accepted beginning **January 10, 2022**. Interested individuals should send one PDF file to CHET@uky.edu by **March 1, 2022** that contains the following:

1. Cover letter outlining the applicant's interest in health equity research and career aspirations
2. CV
3. A list of three references with contact information
4. One writing sample

Dean's Distinguished Lecture Series

January 25, 2022

8:00am

Zoom: <https://uky.zoom.us/j/81749382834>

As part of the University of Kentucky College of Medicine's Dean's Distinguished Lecture Series, the Neuroscience Research Priority Area, and Donna Wilcock, PhD are excited to host Lisa L. Barnes, PhD for her talk, "Epidemiology of cognitive aging in older African-Americans." on January 25, 2022 at 8am.

The Lecture will be presented virtually, in conjunction with UK Neurology Grand Rounds



Dean's Distinguished Lecture Series

"Epidemiology of cognitive aging in older African Americans"

presented by:

Lisa L. Barnes, PhD

- The Alla V. and Solomon Jesmer Professor of Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine
- Dept. of Neurological Sciences, Rush Medical College
- Neuropsychologist, Rush Alzheimer's Disease



Hosted by Donna Wilcock, PhD, and presented in conjunction with UK Neurology Grand Rounds

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8th Annual Healthy Hearts for Women Virtual Symposium

February 4, 2022

8:30am

Zoom: https://uky.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_z51TaMS8QoOxvP4wyjvanQ

Sponsored by the Department of Pharmacology and Nutritional Sciences, UK Gill Heart and Vascular Institute, Saha Cardiovascular Research Center, and Markey Cancer Center



8th Annual HEALTHY HEARTS FOR WOMEN SYMPOSIUM

Friday, Feb. 4, 2022 | 8:30 a.m.

Speakers



Rhian Touyz, MD, PhD, FRCP, FRSE
Executive Director and
Chief Scientific Officer,
Research Institute of the
McGill University Health
Centre, Canada



Tochi Okwuosa, DO, FACC
Associate Professor, Rush
University Medical Center
Department of Internal
Medicine, Director,
Cardio-oncology Services,
Chicago, Ill.



Erin Michos, MD, MHS
Associate Professor of
Medicine, Johns Hopkins
School of Medicine;
Director of Women's
Cardiovascular Health,
Baltimore, Md.



Amit Arbune, MD, MHA, FACC
Assistant Professor, UK
Advanced Cancer Imaging
and Cardio-oncology



Sanda Despa, PhD
Professor, UK Department
of Pharmacology and
Nutritional Sciences

SOPHE Publishes Feature Issue on the Pedagogy of Antiracism

The Society for Public Health Education (SOPHE) is honored to introduce Pedagogy in Health Promotion's (PHP) feature issue "The Pedagogy of Antiracism."

This special issue addresses pedagogical concepts and practices focused on antiracism and the promotion of racial justice.

Editor-in-Chief, Dr. Cheryl Merzel notes, "Our Editorial Board recognized the need to go beyond a focus on race-based health inequities, and instead, facilitate the development of a pedagogy capable of addressing structural racism and antiracist perspectives."

The issue presents 11 papers, including original research, descriptive best practices, and perspectives, that focus on student voices in the struggle against racism, addressing antiracism in the classroom, and community engagement for social justice.

You can access the issue here: <https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/phpa/7/4>

Article on Unequal Distribution of NIH Research Grant Funding

A recent post in the NIH's Extramural Nexus discusses research showing inequalities among principal investigators funded by NIH Research Project Grants.

"Our analyses of PIs and organizations supported by NIH RPG awards from 1998 to 2020 show that:

- Inequalities among PIs have increased since 1998, particularly at the upper rungs and at times of NIH budget increases.
- There may be a modest decline in RPG PI inequalities over the past few years.
- Most of the funding inequalities among RPG PIs are within groups, not between groups.
- Inequalities among organizations are much greater than among PIs. Both between-group and within-group inequalities contribute to overall inequality."

You can read the full article here: <https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2022/01/18/inequalities-in-the-distribution-of-national-institutes-of-health-research-project-grant-funding/>

Upcoming Events

The Social and the Science: Psychosocial and Biomedical Research on COVID-19

UK Student Poster Session

February 18, 2022

Abstract Submission:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScsuCG6UsLFXbJOHbRiy4bmggckVm_LH_oqQln1EK3OX-f-sWg/viewform

Deadline: Monday, January 31, 2022, at 11:59 p.m

Contact: Mia Morales mmo348@uky.edu

Sister Circle 2022 "EmpowHer" Conference

February 24-25, 2022

More information: <https://www.uky.edu/cgd/sister-circle-2022>

2022 Substance Use Research Event

March 1, 2022

Registration: <https://www.research.uky.edu/SURE>

Deadline: February 4, 2022

15th Annual Graduate Student Regional Research Conference

March 24-25, 2022

University of Louisville

Registration: <https://louisville.edu/graduate/gsc/research-conference>

UNITE Inaugural Research Event

May 4, 2022

More information: <https://www.research.uky.edu/unite-research-priority-area/unite-news-events>

Collaboration Column

Interested in mHealth interventions and/ or rural health disparities? We are looking for a responsible and team oriented individual who can help with on-campus collection of questionnaire and biometric data as a part of a National Institutes of Health sponsored research project. We will provide training, professional development opportunities, experiences, and other benefits.

For more information, please contact Deanna Sherman(dleesherman@uky.edu).

Biostatistics and Research Design Core

To request a consultation with the CHET Biostatistics and Research Design Core, please click the following link: https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9GlfBA9n9aPOFlb

CHET Student and Trainee Listserv

Please encourage your students and trainees to join our listserv here:bit.ly/joinchet