

Research Brief

Message from the Senior Associate Dean for Research

Dear Colleagues,

Happy 2024 and welcome back! I hope this message finds you well-rested and your New Years resolutions have begun to take shape. As we begin to settle back into our usual routines and embark on new endeavors, it is important that we continue to exhibit the exceptional and collaborative spirit of GWSPH. Uplift your fellow colleagues in the work they do, recognize the value of constructive dialogue in addressing pressing global challenges, and most importantly, help transform novel ideas into research that can be used to create meaningful change. Our intellectual diversity is our strength as a research community.

The Office of Research Excellence is dedicated to supporting your research through providing access to research related news, grants, funding opportunities, training workshops, ethics and compliance support. If you have any questions please reach out to gwsp@research@gwu.edu. I am very excited to see what the GWSPH research community will accomplish this spring! Let's make 2024 the year of research innovation and collaboration.

Wishing you all a fruitful semester ahead,

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Milken Institute School of Public Health
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

RESEARCH DAY 2024

A forum for all Students (Undergraduate, Master's, Doctoral), Postdoc, Research Staff, and Alumni to showcase their exceptional work through poster presentations.

GWSPH Research Day, a forum for all students, postdocs, research staff, and alumni to showcase their work through poster presentations, will take place on **April 9, 2024**

Research Project Highlight



Dr. Dangerfield is an Associate Professor of Prevention and Community Health who recently joined the Milken Institute School of Public Health in 2022. Dr. Dangerfield was recently granted a UG3 award from the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) entitled "Identifying socioecological profiles that impact changes in care outcomes among Black sexual minority men living with HIV" (BSMM LWH) in collaboration with Dr. DeMarc Hickson, Executive Director of Us Helping Us, People Into Living, Inc. in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Derek Dangerfield II

The study aims to identify the HIV care riskscape for BSMM LWH and to examine how multilevel factors impact changes in retention in HIV care, treatment adherence, and viral suppression. Findings are expected to help identify targeted intervention activities to improve HIV care outcomes for BSMM subgroups in specific ways. In addition to filling a critical gap in efforts to end the HIV epidemic in the United States, the study also provides a valuable opportunity for GWSPH students to engage in research regarding socioecological barriers and supports that impact HIV care outcomes in a highly marginalized community for whom health disparities persist.

Monthly Deadlines

2024 TCO Innovation Competition: Call for Submissions: Friday, February 2, 2024

Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment or Prevention for alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs use and misuse in adult populations that experience health disparities: First Receipt Date: February 5, 2024

University Facilitating Fund (UFF) - February 6, 2024 @ 1:00pm ET

Cross-Disciplinary Research Fund (CDRF) - February 13, 2024 @ 1:00pm ET

Humanities Facilitating Fund (HFF) - February 15, 2024 @ 1:00pm ET

Funding Opportunities



The Spring 2024 GWSPH Research Innovation Awards: Request for Applications

The GW Milken Institute School of Public Health (GWSPH) Research Innovation Awards aim to encourage innovation and creativity in public health research and support research initiatives aimed at generating extramural grant funding. Faculty who have a primary appointment in GWSPH and may serve as Principal Investigators only are eligible to apply for this award. Read more about the award by clicking the button below.

Release Date: January 15, 2024
Due Date: March 15, 2024

[Read the full announcement](#)

[Budget Form](#)

2024 TCO Innovation Competition: Call for Submissions

The GW Technology Commercialization Office (TCO) hosts an Innovation Competition to showcase impactful GW research with strong commercial potential. At the event, GW inventors present their ideas to a panel of entrepreneurs, investors, and industry experts. Finalists win prize money, and many participants go on to license and commercialize their technologies. Email tcoc@gwu.edu or visit the [TCO website](#) to learn more about the competition and eligibility.

Deadline: Friday, February 2, 2024

FY25 Intramural Funding Opportunities

Each year, the Office of the Vice Provost for Research sponsors intramural funding programs that support new scholarly projects. The next round of the University Facilitating Fund, the Cross-Disciplinary Research Fund and the Humanities Facilitating Fund are expected to go live this week with formal announcements going out in early January. Eligibility requirements will remain the same as prior years, so we encourage scholars to start thinking about fundable projects as soon as possible.

[UFF \(FY25\) University Facilitating Fund](#)

Deadline 06 Feb 2024 - \$20,000

[CDRF \(FY25\) Cross-Disciplinary Research Fund](#)

Deadline 13 Feb 2024 - \$50,000

[HFF \(FY25\) Humanities Facilitating Fund](#)

Deadline 15 Feb 2024 - \$5,000

[University Seminar Series \(AY2024-25\)](#)

Deadline 14 Apr 2024 - \$4,000

[GW Postdoctoral Primary Care Research Training Program](#)

Continuous - \$69,333

[Undergraduate Research and Fellowship Applications](#)

[OVPR Limited Submissions and Intramural Funding Competitions](#)

Pod 2 Notification

Are you planning on submitting a proposal for funding consideration from an outside sponsor (e.g., NIH, DOD, RWJ, etc.)? As soon as you identify the funder and funding mechanism, contact Pod 2 by submitting an "intent to submit" form.

A sponsored research administrator (SRA) from Pod 2 will be assigned and will reach to you to set up a kickoff meeting to go over logistics, establish timeline deadlines, and gather more information about the proposed project.

Please be mindful that the Pod requests at least 10 business days to process a proposal on top of the 5 business days required by OSP.

[Intent to Submit Form](#)

Lectures & Events

BIG BIOETHICS INTEREST GROUP
THE OFFICE OF RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

GWU BIG Forum

An assemblage of GW faculty, staff, and students to discuss strategies and initiatives to strengthen Bioethics within GW through teaching, learning, research, collaboration, and service.

Join us as we navigate toward building a better future.

6 February, 2024 | 12:00 PM EDT

[Register Here](#)

[Zoom Link](#)



The Cancer Control & Health Equity (CCHE) Program presents: Resources & Funding Opportunities to Support Digital Health Approaches to Cancer Control

Dr. Blake's research examines social determinants of health behavior and attitudes toward health policy, primarily how communication inequalities exacerbate cancer disparities. Her talk will provide insights into resources and funding opportunities for cutting-edge cancer-related research and training.

Thursday, January 18, 2024, 12 - 1 pm
GW School of Public Health, 2nd Floor Conference Room Lunch will be provided.

[RSVP Here](#)

[Zoom Link](#)



The Institute for Middle East Studies Presents: Spring 2024 Conversation Series

The Institute for Middle East Studies is excited to announce their Spring 2024 event lineup. The first of which will be "The Future is Feminist: Women and Social Change in Interwar Algeria" on 25 January 2024, 3:00 - 4:30 PM ET. For more events happening this spring, visit their [upcoming events page](#).

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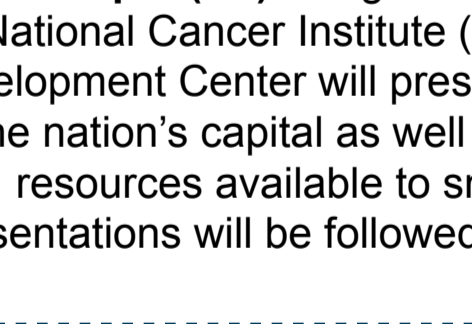
NCTR Education and Training Programs

NCTR provides opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students, postgraduate scientists, scientists from other countries, college/university faculty members, and others to obtain hands-on laboratory experience by working with experienced scientific researchers. These training opportunities are available in the following areas:

- [Faculty Research Program \(NCTR\)](#)
- [Foreign National Training Program \(NCTR\)](#)
- [Graduate Certificate in Regulatory Science \(NCTR\)](#)
- [Interdisciplinary Toxicology Program \(NCTR\)](#)
- [Postgraduate Research Program \(NCTR\)](#)
- [Science Internship Program \(NCTR\)](#)
- [Summer Student Research Program \(NCTR\)](#)

Funding Your Biomedical Technology through the NIH SBIR/STTR Programs

Join Georgetown University, George Washington University, and the National Cancer Institute for the upcoming in-person "Accelerating Innovation: Funding Your Biomedical Technology through the NIH SBIR/STTR Programs" event on **February 6, 2:00 pm (ET)**. Program directors Monique Pond and Sarra Djemil from the National Cancer Institute (NCI) Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Development Center will present funding opportunities for biomedical innovators in the nation's capital as well as application tips, programs, and entrepreneurial resources available to small business applicants and grantees. Speaker presentations will be followed by a Q&A session with the audience. **RSVP by Jan 26th, 2pm.**



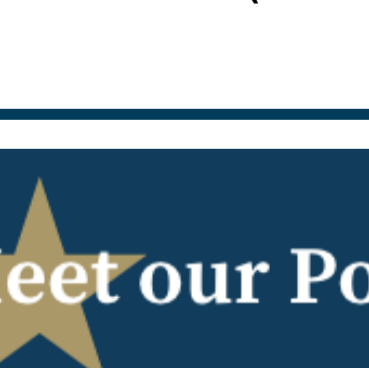
The Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH) is offering a **Science Policy Scholar Travel Award** to support the development of one junior investigator who is interested in women's health or sex and gender differences and is also interested in research policy. The \$6,000 award will defray the cost of attending the Organization for the Study of Sex Differences (OSSD) Annual Meeting on May 6-9, 2024, in Bergen, Norway.

Applications are due by **February 2, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. EST**. Read more [here](#).

Spring 2024 PIVOT-InfoReady Review Training

Are you familiar with the integration between PIVOT and InfoReady Training for sponsored projects? Understanding how these systems are used and linked can help you leverage them to your advantage. You may have questions regarding PIVOT, such as how it can help you find and send funding opportunities, or questions about applying for intramural funding for pilot data or exploring a new field. Additionally, you may be curious about what to do if a funding opportunity is limited to one applicant per organization. Let's explore these questions to help you better understand the integration between PIVOT and InfoReady. All individuals who participate in sponsored research, including investigators, administrators, and reviewers, are recommended to attend the event. **Reserve A Spot** for either of the available dates (**Thursday, February 22 - 9 - 10:30 am EST** or **Tuesday, March 19 - 9 - 10:30 am EST**).

Meet our Pod 2 Member of the Week:



Kat Martin joined the GW community and the Pod 2 yellow team in December 2023. She is supporting both pre-award and post-award research administration activities. Kat has a background in corporate proposal development and communications. She is based in Charleston, South Carolina.

We are proud to have her as part of our team!

Kat Martin

Research Resources



SMHS Protocol Builder: Writing a Clinical Research Study Protocol

GW provides free access to investigators for Protocol Builder that speeds the development of research protocols that comply with IRB and regulatory standards. GW recommends investigators consider using Protocol Builder for projects that involve greater than minimal risk. Don't forget to consult on biostatistical methods or study design at the [GW Biostatistical and Epidemiology Consulting Service](#). Read more about the protocol builder [here](#).

GW Research Commons

Launched by the Office of the Vice Provost for Research, GW Research Commons is a website that showcases the resources and offices that support scholarly enterprise. The site includes featured content, upcoming research events, and links that are organized by category. Visit the [Research Commons webpage](#) for more.

The George Washington School of Public Health (GWSPH) Office of Research Excellence (ORE) is dedicated to supporting the research efforts of faculty, staff, and students within the Milken Institute School of Public Health. The ORE serves the School of Public Health and its departments in different ways by offering strategic research expertise and support for various research-related functions while catalyzing research productivity. It is responsible for research coordination, compliance with applicable regulations and institutional policies, research integrity and training, research communication, contracting and enhancement, and providing excellent service to advance research and discovery by faculty, students, staff, and individuals affiliated to GWSPH.

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