

Research Brief

Message from the Senior Associate Dean for Research

Dear Colleagues,

I had the pleasure of attending the Spring Faculty Assembly last week, where I met numerous exceptional colleagues. The experience was delightful and reminded me of the incredible support and dedication that has led GWSPH to achieve a significant milestone.

GWSPH's unwavering commitment to health research and an environment that fosters innovation and collaboration has propelled the institution to the forefront of leading-edge research. This approach has paved the way for groundbreaking discoveries and contributions to the field, positioning GWSPH as a distinguished institution in the realm of public health.

However, to position ourselves even better for the future. As a community of brilliant minds united in a shared purpose, we must look forward enthusiastically to what lies ahead. We can make a profound impact through our expertise and relentless pursuit of excellence. Let us never underestimate the power of a supportive community as we embark on this exciting journey toward a future where we accomplish even greater feats.

Wishing you all continued success in your endeavors.

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SAVE THE DATE

Gun Violence: A Global Crisis

A dialogue with experts on firearm violence from Australia, Brazil, India, and the United Kingdom

Date: Friday, March 15, 2024
Time: 12:00 - 1:00 PM
Location: Executive Committee Room, 7th Floor, Milken Institute School of Public Health

MODERATOR:

Dr. Adnan Hyder
Professor
Senior Associate Dean for Research & Innovation
Director, Center on Commercial Determinants of Health

Light reception (coffee and co-ops) will be served at the end to provide time to meet our visiting experts

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Enroll now in the **2024 GWSPH Summer Institute Program** - a five-day program covering essential public health topics taught by leaders at the forefront of public health research and practice. Learn cutting-edge approaches that will empower you to contribute effectively to the global public health landscape, refine your analytical skills, and broaden your understanding of pressing health challenges. Join us to unleash your potential, network with international professionals, and shape a healthier tomorrow. **Taught online from June 3-14, 2024.**

RESEARCH DAY 2024

Call for Abstracts

All abstracts must be submitted by **March 22, 2024**

A forum for all students and researchers to showcase their work through poster presentations. For more information and additional guidelines, visit the GWSPHResearchDay.org website using the QR code or contact SPHResearchDay@gwu.edu.



Scan here to learn more about GWSPH Research Day

GWSPH Research Day THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON, DC

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. Mimi Ghosh, Ph.D., M.S., is an associate professor within the Department of Epidemiology, at the Milken Institute School of Public Health. She is a mucosal immunologist and uses laboratory science-based methods to address critical questions related to women's health issues. Her current research focuses on HIV risk in vulnerable populations of girls and women, including women exposed to violence, female sex workers, and transgender populations. Through her research, advocacy, and scientific training, Dr. Ghosh wishes to empower, as well as create preventative and therapeutic interventions for our most vulnerable populations. Read more about her work [here](#).

Monthly Deadlines

[HIV and Drug Abuse Prevention Research and Training Institute - March 1, 2024](#)

[NAM Healthy Longevity Catalyst Award Competition - March 11, 2024 @ 11:59 pm ET](#)

[Research Innovation Awards - March 15, 2024](#)

Continuous Deadlines

- [Research Enhancement Awards \(REA\) - Guidelines, Awards Form](#)
- [Mentor Match Review Award](#)
- [Doctoral Professional Development Award](#)
- [Einstein Foundation Award for Promoting Quality in Research](#)
- [RWJF Pioneering Ideas: Exploring the Future to Build a Culture of Health](#)
- [Antiviral Program for Pandemics \(APP\)](#)
- [Pfizer Competitive Grants Program](#)

Funding Opportunities

GW Milken Institute School of Public Health

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](#)

FULBRIGHT

The [Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program](#) offers over 400 unique fellowships to U.S. citizens to **teach, research and conduct professional projects in more than 130 countries**.

[Explore awards available in the 2024-26 competition](#). Faculty, researchers, artists and professionals in all disciplines can join the more than 400,000 Fulbrighters who have come away with enhanced skills, new connections and greater mutual understanding.

Interested in a specific region? Note the upcoming webinars highlighting regional opportunities:

- February 28: [South and Central Asia](#)
- February 29: [East Asia and the Pacific](#)
- March 6: [Europe and Eurasia](#)
- March 13: [Western Hemisphere](#)
- March 20: [Sub-Saharan Africa](#)
- March 27: [Middle East and North Africa](#)

Apply to become a member of the NIDA-Funded HIV and Drug Abuse Prevention Research and Training Institute

This program includes attendance at two summer training programs (fully funded travel and lodging) on July 7-15, 2024: New York City (Manhattan Campus) and TBD 2025: New York City (Manhattan Campus). You will receive a **\$30,000** grant and conduct a mentored research study that will contribute to evidence-based HIV & drug use research ethics practice. The deadline to apply is **March 1, 2024**. See application requirements [here](#).

FY25 Intramural Funding Opportunities

Each year the Office of the Vice Provost for Research sponsors [intramural funding programs](#) that support new scholarly projects. Eligibility requirements will remain the same as prior years, so we encourage scholars to start thinking about fundable projects as soon as possible.

[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](#)

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NAM Healthy Longevity Catalyst Award Competition

Deadline: March 11, 2024, 11:59 pm EST

The NAM Healthy Longevity Catalyst Award Competition offers **\$50,000 USD** prizes to individuals or teams with bold, new, and potentially transformative ideas that aim to improve the physical, mental, or social health and well-being of people as they age.

Ideas with the potential to dramatically change health as we age—even if they're high-risk—are encouraged in this unique competition. No preliminary data are required when submitting an idea. Applications may originate from any sector, field or combination of fields (e.g., biology, chemistry, medicine, engineering, behavioral and social sciences, technology, data science, and policy). Most US-based individuals or teams are eligible to apply.

Individuals and teams may [learn more](#) and [apply here](#).

Meet our Pod 2 Team Member of the Week



Noelle Allison

Noelle (she/they) joined Pod 2 in January 2024, coming from a Departmental Grants Coordinator position at Louisiana State University. She is busily translating her previous LSU vocabulary into GW terms, working through the fantastic training materials compiled for Pod 2, and experiencing a sense of delight and satisfaction in both the work and her coworkers. She looks forward to assuming her portfolio in the coming weeks and getting to meet the PIs she will be supporting!

Lectures & Events

Navigating the Visa Process: An Info Session for International Student Entrepreneurs (Hybrid)

Thursday, February 29, 2024, 4-5:30 PM

Join for an invaluable discussion on maximizing your student visa and OPT period to further your startup goals and ensure you can transition into another visa category with careful planning. Tahmina will share practical tips, strategies, and guidance on visa options for international student startup founders so your American dream can come true.

[Learn More and Register Here](#)

Guarding Privacy, Sharing Knowledge: Strategies and Tools for Deidentifying Human Subjects' Data for Sharing

Thursday, February 29, 2024, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM ET, Virtual

This workshop provides participants with an understanding of various types of identifiers and equips them with the skills to assess the disclosure risk associated with their data. Additionally, attendees will be introduced to a range of tools and resources provided by GW to facilitate the effective de-identification of data for secure sharing. This will be presented by GW Libraries and Academic Innovation.

[Learn more and join here.](#)

Public Interest Technology Event

Wednesday, March 6, 2024 1:30pm to 2:30pm in SEH B1270

GW will convene an interdisciplinary gathering of faculty whose teaching and research intersects with the growing field of public interest technology—designing and deploying technologies that advance the public interest. All members of the GW faculty are cordially invited to attend. We will introduce GW's new Public Interest Technology Scholars, and also hear about new programs from federal agencies that can fund projects in this area. [Learn more and register here.](#)

GW Cancer Center

George Washington University (GW) Cancer Center Scientific Retreat

All GW faculty, staff, and trainees conducting cancer-relevant research are invited to submit abstracts to be considered for poster presentations. GW Cancer Center members and non-members are welcome to attend the retreat and to submit abstracts. The submission deadline is **March 15th 5:00pm**. The retreat will take place on **Wednesday, May 1, 2024 8:30 am - 5:30 pm** at the [GW University Student Center Grand Ballroom](#). Submit using the [abstract submission form](#).

New! Pre-Award Bootcamp Series

The Office of Sponsored Projects is pleased to announce the return of the Pre-Award Bootcamp! The Bootcamp will be hosted virtually, and split into manageable hour-long interactive sessions. Click on the links below for a description of each session and a sign-up link:

[OSP E&T Unit: Pre-Award Bootcamp Session 3- Compliance Overview at the Pre-Award Stage](#)

Thursday, March 7, 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

[OSP E&T Unit: Pre-Award Bootcamp Session 4- Proposal Review Before Routing to OSP/Wednesday](#)

Wednesday, March 13th, 10:30am-11:30am

[OSP E&T Unit: Pre-Award Bootcamp Session 5- The Three Cs](#)

Wednesday, March 20, 2:00pm - 3:00pm

[OSP E&T Unit: CRAG March 2024- Audit Information and Year-End Reminders with GCAS](#)

Thursday, March 21, 2024 11:00am - 12:00pm

Spring 2024 PIVOT-InfoReady Review Training

Are you familiar with the integration between PIVOT and InfoReady 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 Tuesday, March 19 - 9 - 10:30 am EST.**



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 next event will be ["Elastic Empire: Refashioning War through Aid in Palestine"](#) happening 3:00-4:30 PM on 29 February 2024. For more events happening this spring, visit their [upcoming events page](#).

ASPPH ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS & PROGRAMS OF PUBLIC HEALTH

ASPPH Public Health Innovation Lab

The Association of Schools & Programs of Public Health (ASPPH) will be holding its first Public Health Innovation Lab **March 18-22, 2024**. All undergraduate and graduate students in the DC-Metro area are welcome to participate. In this team-based experience, students will learn how to apply innovation strategies, processes, and technology to develop solutions to pressing public health challenges of their choosing. **This exclusive opportunity is limited to ten teams, who will compete for a \$1,500 prize.**

For more information, visit their page [here](#).

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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 Internship Program \(NCTR\)](#)
- [Science Internship Program \(NCTR\)](#)
- [Summer Student Research Program \(NCTR\)](#)

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