

Office of Research Excellence

Message from the Senior Associate Dean for Research

Dear Colleagues,

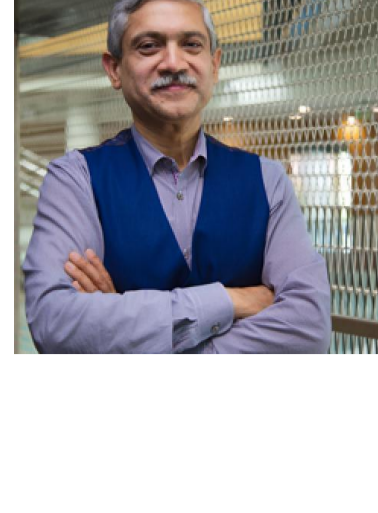
Happy Spring!

Scientific evidence and associated research provide us with critical tools and knowledge to understand and tackle health challenges; and they serve as the foundation to many policies, interventions, and treatments that shape our lives and well-being. Public health research is particularly invaluable in protecting and improving community health outcomes and addressing health disparities. From the development of novel vaccines to the implementation of interventions to curb tobacco use, our public health research has saved millions of lives. As national and global health threats continue to evolve with emerging infectious diseases, chronic conditions, and climate-related disasters, the need for sustained investment in our science and research is essential to pave the way for a healthier and more resilient world.

I want to thank you all for your contributions to science, public health, and research - your work is more important now than ever.

Sincerely,

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Research Announcements

RIA Application Deadline Now April 18!

The Spring 2025 Research Innovation Awards application period has been extended to April 18 at midnight, giving you additional time to prepare and complete your submission. This extension is especially important to allow more flexibility during these times.

We invite a variety of proposals that demonstrate innovative approaches in public health. These awards aim to help you collect preliminary data to refine your ideas for future larger grant applications. Please follow the guidelines and all faculty are strongly encouraged to apply.

[Read the Updated Announcement](#)

Research Day: Abstracts due Friday



All Abstracts must be submitted by Friday, March 28, 2025.

GWSPH Research Day is a forum for students, postdocs, research staff, and alumni to showcase their work through poster presentations. It will take place on April 16, 2025.

Email [SPHResearchDay@gwu.edu](mailto:SPHResearchDay@gwu.edu) for more information!

Announcement for GWSPH Principal Investigators

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, please inform PH&L RST - formerly Pod 2 by completing an **Intent to Submit Form** as soon as possible.

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

PH&L RST requests at least **10 business days** to process a proposal on top of the **5 business days** required by the Office of Sponsored Projects (OSP).

Questions: [gwresearchpod2@gwu.edu](mailto:gwresearchpod2@gwu.edu)

[Intent to Submit Form](#)

GWSPH Summer Institute is Back!



Registration is open!

Enroll in the **2025 GWSPH Summer Institute, June 2-13, 2025**

Taught Online From **Monday through Friday on June 2-6 and June 9-13**

Unleash your potential, network with international professionals, and shape a healthier tomorrow! Learn from leaders at the forefront of public health research and practice who will cover essential public health topics and cutting-edge approaches. Leave empowered to contribute to the local and global health landscape, refine your analytical skills, and broaden your understanding of pressing health challenges.

Taught courses include:

- Responsible Conduct of Research,
- Understanding Commercial Determinants of Health,
- Ethics in Public Health Practice and Policy,
- Global Health And Rule Of Law,
- Reproductive Epidemiology,
- Perinatal Epidemiology,
- Injury And Global Public Health,
- Introduction To Nutrition In Spanish
- Digital Methods in Epidemiology

For questions or additional information, email [gwspsummerinstitute@gwu.edu](mailto:gwspsummerinstitute@gwu.edu)



Funding Opportunities

The Reductarian Fellowship

The Reductarian Fellowship is a unique opportunity for students to begin building the knowledge and skills needed to make a tangible impact on our global food system. Through the program, fellows get: 30+ in-person seminars and workshops, one-on-one mentorship from fellowship staff, introductions to impactful organizations in our network, \$5,750 stipend (contingent upon internship placement at a partner organization). Application deadline: **March 31, 2025**.

[Learn More](#)

T.A. Thornton Scholars Summer Research Experience

The Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University announces the T. A. Thornton Scholars Summer Research Experience for the summer of 2025. They are currently accepting applications for 4 paid summer research positions. These internships will be for 8-10 weeks, beginning late May or early June 2025. Students will work on projects for up to 35 hours a week with remote, hybrid, and in-person roles available. Application deadline: **April 4, 2025**.

[Read More](#)

Atlantic Fellows for Health Equity

Atlantic Fellows for Health Equity is seeking early-to mid-career professionals engaged in health-related work to join its 2026 cohort. During this year-long, non-residential fellowship, fellows participate in three in-person meetings in different parts of the globe and bi-monthly online learning modules. All educational experiences and travel expenses associated with participation in the fellowship are fully covered by the program. This fellowship is open to professionals from diverse fields and global backgrounds who have demonstrated a strong commitment to advancing health equity. Application deadline: **April 10, 2025**.

[Learn More](#)

Metascience and AI Postdoctoral Fellowship

This is a postdoctoral fellowship program for grants of up to \$250,000 USD to support early career researchers in the social sciences and humanities (with particular emphasis on philosophy, sociology of science, and metascience) who are interested in building a career in understanding the implications of AI for the science and research ecosystem. Application deadline: **April 10, 2025**.

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Climate and Health Research Fellowship

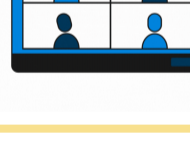
The [Research and Engagement for Action on Climate and Health \(REACH\)](#) Center and Health Research Fellowship is now accepting applications for the 2025 cohort! This paid fellowship is designed to support outstanding graduate students who demonstrate academic excellence, have a strong interest in community-engaged work, and show a deep commitment to advancing health and environmental justice through equitable climate solutions. The cohort of selected students will work collaboratively with a community partner to identify and implement solutions to climate change and health challenges. The fellowship term will run from May 27, 2025 through December 8, 2025. Application deadline: **April 13, 2025**.

[Learn More](#)



Continuous Deadlines

- [Intramural](#)
  - [Mentor Match Review Awards](#)
  - [Research Enhancement Awards](#)
  - [OVPR Limited Submissions and Intramural Funding Competitions](#)
  - [Extramural](#)
  - [NIH Supplemental Opportunities](#)
  - [RWJF: Evidence for Action - Innovative Research to Advance Racial Equity](#)
- For further details about funding, please visit the [GWSPH Research Funding Resource Center](#).



Lectures & Events

Clinical Ethics Consultation Service (CECS)

Tuesday, April 1st, 2025 | 12:00 - 1:00 pm

4th Floor Conference Room, GW Milken Institute School of Public Health



Join us for our in-person Bioethics Interest Group Forum Meeting at GWSPH to discuss Clinical Ethics Consultation Services.

Clinical ethics consultation services help healthcare professionals, patients, and families address complex ethical dilemmas in medical settings. These consultations aim to promote ethical decision-making, improve patient care, and foster respect and communication in healthcare institutions by bringing together ethicists, clinicians, and legal experts. Ultimately, they ensure that all voices are heard and that decisions align with ethical principles as well as the wishes of patients and their families. **Eligible for PE hours!**

[Register](#)

Understanding the U.S. Supreme Court's Second Amendment Jurisprudence and its International & Public Health Impacts

Tuesday, April 1st, 2025 | 1:00 - 2:00 pm



This webinar will focus on the Supreme Court's Second Amendment jurisprudence, the impact of that jurisprudence on transnational gun trafficking, and the evolving lethality of firearms and its impact on public health.

[Register](#)

Truth Be Told: The Art of Storytelling in Health Advocacy Workshop

Monday, April 21st, 2025 | 11:30 am - 1:00 pm



Join the Milken Institute School of Public Health's Office of Inclusive Excellence for a virtual webinar where you will learn how to craft your own pitch, identify and use varying communication skills, and come away with a powerful 3-minute story that is both personal and effective in health advocacy.

[RSVP](#)

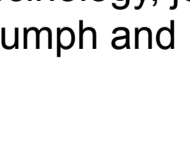
Triumph and Humility in RSV Disease Prevention

Monday, April 7th, 2025 | 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Ross Hall, Room 117

As part of the GW Vaccine Research Unit's Seminar Series on State-of-the-Arts Topics in Vaccinology, join Dr. Ruth Karron from Johns Hopkins University as she discusses "Triumph and Humility in RSV Disease Prevention."

[Register](#)



Research Resources

Data Preservation Efforts and Data Sources

The [Data Preservation Efforts and Data Sources](#) resource guide provides up-to-date guidance on alternative sources where data is being preserved and information on ongoing efforts to help researchers locate and preserve essential datasets.

NIH Resources

- [Explore a Typical NIH Funding Opportunity Sequence](#)
- [Preparing for 2025 Application and Review Changes- Tips and Resources](#)
- [Updated NIH Research Performance Progress Report \(RPPR\) Instruction Guide \(PDF document\)](#)
- [NIH Submission Checklist FORMS-1](#)

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