

Tuesday, May 28, 2019

**1. STEM SOLUTIONS IN PUBLIC POLICY AWARD COMPETITION**



UC Center Sacramento announces the inaugural 2019-2020 Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Solutions in Public Policy Award Competition. The award will recognize one or more outstanding proposals for new California state legislation from University of California Graduate Students in STEM fields (science, technology, engineering, or mathematics). The Winner(s) will receive a \$250 research stipend and, should their idea advance through the legislative process, an opportunity to confer with legislators and/or legislative staff in Sacramento and potentially testify before legislative committees. Submissions will be accepted through **Friday, June 14, 2019**. For more information, click [HERE](#).

**2. JOIN THE UC DAVIS HEALTH PARENT RESOURCE FACEBOOK GROUP**

The aim of the UC Davis Health Parent Resource Facebook Group is to support the parents within our organization by providing a forum for social opportunities, a source for parenting advice, and information on events/workshops provided by UC Davis. Parents on the page share advice based on their experiences and share resources. The site provides a forum for setting up co-ops where parents can trade child care with each other, share parenting tips, and organize social events. Many new hires are unfamiliar with the Sacramento area and the website enables them to develop social circles and get to know the area. Furthermore, many members of UC Davis Health experience unique challenges with balancing child care and work demands, and the Facebook page helps parents when they are experiencing a child-care emergency. The founders envisioned a central place for UC Davis Health faculty, students, and employees to come together for advice, social needs and share parenting resources.

Find the group [HERE](#). (Facebook login required.)

**3. CALL FOR APPLICATIONS – MURRAY B. GARDNER JUNIOR FACULTY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

The Center for Comparative Medicine announces the call for applications for the Murray B. Gardner Junior Faculty Research Fellowship for the 2019-20 academic year. The Murray B. Gardner Junior Faculty Research Fellowship, which originated in 2016, supports junior faculty performing research in Animal Modeling of Human Diseases with a focus on infectious disease or pathogen host interactions. The goal of this program is to enable career advancement of junior faculty to the Associate Professor level by facilitating an increased number of fundable grant submissions through a mentoring program in animal models of human disease with a focus on infectious disease or pathogen-host interactions. The biggest priority and challenge for Junior Faculty is securing their first extramurally funded award. A core mission of the Center for Comparative Medicine, within the Schools of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, is to provide junior faculty with mentoring support to develop and secure extramural funding to carry out an extended research project. The application deadline is **Monday, June 3**. For more information, including eligibility information and how to apply, click [HERE](#).

#### 4. LIVE CAM: PEREGRINE FALCONS AT UC DAVIS MEDICAL CENTER



Since at least 2015, a pair of peregrine falcons has called UC Davis Medical Center's roof their home. This year was a bountiful one. The pair enjoyed a very successful hatch of four peregrine chicks. Their nest, which is located a safe distance from our hospital's helipad, will be home to the new birds through at least the end of June.

Experts estimate the [first-year survival rate for the chicks](#) will be about 50%, as urban falcons face hazards such as injury, illness, and predators. The young birds are expected to begin flying away from the nest sometime in mid-June. Experts say the birds will likely stay in the area an additional month while their parents continue to feed them and encourage them to hunt. See the live camera [HERE](#).

#### 5. SEED: SUPPORTING EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE IN DIVERSITY

The Committee on Educational Policy (CEP) has endorsed the SEED: Supporting Educational Excellence in Diversity course as mandatory for IORs. **Registration is required** and now open for enrollment in future offerings below to ensure ample opportunity to complete this training.

*To receive a certificate of completion ALL FOUR in class sessions must be attended and online pre-assignments completed by the last in class session date. All sessions are 12-1pm with lunch provided.*

### Summer Session

- August 13, August 20, August 27, September 4

To automatically register for ALL four in class meetings for Summer Session II [CLICK HERE](#)

### Fall 2019 Session

- October 1, October 16, October 23, October 29

To automatically register for ALL four in class meetings for Fall 2019 Session [CLICK HERE](#)

Please direct all questions to Puja Chadha, MD, [plchadha@ucdavis.edu](mailto:plchadha@ucdavis.edu) cc: [remoncada@ucdavis.edu](mailto:remoncada@ucdavis.edu)

## 6. COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT – HARTWELL BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

The Hartwell Foundation Biomedical Research Fellowship provides support for early-stage, innovative, and cutting-edge biomedical research that has not qualified for significant funding from outside sources that should benefit children in the United States. The Foundation will only support biomedical research. For previous awardees, please see [The Hartwell Foundation's website](#).

Candidates must have completed a PhD or equivalent doctorate and are still in the early stages of career development, not to extend or complete clinical training. Candidates must be citizens of the United States. Postdoctoral service may only extend a period of six years total (five is normal but a one year extension can be sought). Fellowship funds will be available in July of the year of the Award announcement and Fellows must commence their postdoctoral training no later than November 1 in the same year. Please contact Traci Galbaugh, Senior Director of Foundation Giving, for more information about this program. Please contact Meg Sparling, Limited Submissions coordinator, for more information about the internal application process. The application deadline is **June 30, 2019**.

## 7. CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS – ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Volunteers are being sought to serve on Medical School admissions committees. Please review the list below regarding the committee description and typical meeting schedule. If you are interested, please use the link below. Please note, the **deadline is May 28, 2019**. For any questions, please feel free to email Nicole Quant at [nquant@ucdavis.edu](mailto:nquant@ucdavis.edu).

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BGCHQBT>

<b>Committees</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Typical Meeting Schedule</b>
Admissions <u>Ranking</u> Subcommittee	Reviews all data available from the admissions process and submit ranked list of applicants to the Steering Subcommittee.	Meets at noon on Tuesdays (attend 8 meeting sessions throughout)
Admissions <u>Screening</u>	Screening can be done at home with internet access. Screeners review 100 - 200 medical school applications per year to identify applicants to be invited for interview. Applications are assigned in batches of 25. There is a mandatory orientation meeting. No other meetings are required.	Meets once for orientation/training
Admissions <u>Steering</u> Subcommittee	Provides oversight and integration of all phases of the Committee processes, and develop policies necessary to govern the process, including School of Medicine admissions criteria.	Meets at noon on alternate Wednesdays and Thursdays (attend 10 meeting sessions throughout the year)
Admissions <u>Selection</u> Subcommittee	Reviews the recommendations of Steering Subcommittee and make final decisions regarding offers of admission to the School of Medicine. Members on the Selection Subcommittee also serve as Steering Subcommittee members	Meets at noon on alternate Wednesdays and Thursdays (attend 10 meeting sessions throughout the year)