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The Respiratory Care Student Government Association recently organized a 5K and 10K fun run and walk to raise money to support respiratory care research.

Both CHS students and faculty came out to support their efforts.

Keep us posted on your news and updates at chs_admissions@rush.edu.

Kudos

Welcome — Dr. Turner



We are proud to announce that Jason S. Turner, PhD, MAE, has joined Rush University as associate dean for the College of Health Sciences and associate professor of health systems management. Turner comes to Rush with a breadth of experience as an educator, researcher and expert in health care finance, economics and leadership, population health, managed care and health services management.

Before joining Rush, Turner served as director of the health services management concentration at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine and was an associate professor in the Department of Environmental Health. For nearly 10 years, he was an assistant professor in the Department of Health Management and Policy at St. Louis University.

Turner earned a bachelor's degree in human biology and health administration and policy at Stanford University and a master's degree in applied economics at the University of Michigan, where he completed his doctorate in health services organization and policy, finance cognate. In addition, he worked a number of years in the health care sector, serving as a controller for a large, national health care insurer and an administrator for a chain of hospitals.

Join us in welcoming Dr. Turner to Rush University.

Faculty Excellence Awards

We are fortunate to have faculty who go above and beyond to advance our education, research and clinical initiatives. Congratulations to our CHS faculty for winning two of the 2017-18 Rush Faculty Excellence Awards.

Excellence in Clinical Service: Kelly Roehl, MS, RDN, LDN, CNSC
Excellence in Community Service: Molly Bathje, PhD, OTR/L



Therapist of the Year



Brady Scott, MSc, RRT, RRT-ACCS, AE-C, FAARC, FCCP, was recently awarded 2018 Therapist of the Year by the Illinois Society for Respiratory Care. This award recognizes respiratory therapists that have made significant contributions to the profession of respiratory care.

Scott is the director of clinical education and associate professor for the respiratory care program. He has been a respiratory therapist for more than 15 years, with clinical practice experience in adult emergency/critical respiratory care.

MLS Win



Congratulations to the members of the medical laboratory science class of 2018, who recently won the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science – Illinois Student Bowl competition.

Members of the team are pictured to the left (from left to right): Catherine Steib, Maria Macias Jimenez, Stephanie Gillen, Katrina Jose and Allison Wright.

Great job! We are really proud of you!

Student Awards

Congratulations to CHS students Olivia Velasquez (undergraduate) and Nathalie Chouery (graduate), who each received the Diversity and Multicultural Leadership Award at the last Diversity and Multicultural Leadership Awards reception.



Newest Fellows



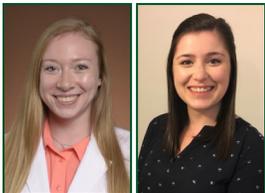
We are pleased to announce the new fellows for 2018-20 – Dr. Laura Vasquez and Dr. Douglas Kuperman. Vasquez will oversee continuing education initiatives for the College of Health Sciences, while Kuperman will continue the important work pertaining to online education.

Vasquez is acting chairperson of the Department of Medical Imaging Sciences and program director of the imaging sciences program. During the past year, she successfully implemented and oversaw the Inaugural MRI Safety Day, where CE credits were offered.

Kuperman is chairperson of the Department of Health Sciences and program director of the PhD in health sciences program. He has helped to further develop the PhD program, which is fully online, and has overseen the Quality Matters certification of three online courses.

Both fellows bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to their roles. Dr. Maribeth Flaws and Dr. Constance Mussa will continue in their roles as fellows of Accreditation and Strategic Planning, respectively, through 2020.

Audiology Updates



Ida Institute in Denmark has partnered with Rush University as a part of an ongoing effort to build a network of organizations that work together towards a more person-centered approach to hearing care and to collaborate for the enhancement of audiological rehabilitation education and research.

Also, four AuD students have recently received prestigious awards:



Madeleine Thomas: American Academy of Audiology Research Conference 2018 Poster Scholarship Award

Madeline McNamee: ASHA Audiology Research Travel Award, 2018 Boston Convention

Kelly Casper: ASHA Audiology Research Travel Award, 2018 Boston Convention

Kaley Babich: Academy of Doctors of Audiology Student Advocacy Scholarship Award

Future Leader



Sabino Curcio, a student in the specialist in blood banking certificate program, was selected as the recipient of the Blood Bank Association of New York State's, or BBANYS, Barb Gonnella Fostering Future Leaders Award. Curcio has also been promoted to Transfusion Safety Officer.

The Barb Gonnella Fostering Future Leaders Award is presented in memory of Barb Gonnella's contribution to BBANYS. Gonnella was a dedicated leader who was active in many aspects of the BBANYS, including the coordination of the newsletter and the annual meetings. The award is given to a BBANYS member who has been a blood bank/transfusion professional for less than 10 years and demonstrated leadership and/or innovation in an aspect of improving quality in transfusion medicine.

Singapore Experience



Sarah Peterson, RD, PhD, CNSC, LDN, was recently invited to Singapore to present at the Annual Singapore Clinical Nutrition Meeting. In addition to providing the plenary lecture "Assessing Lean Body Mass in Clinical Practice," she also helped coordinate a new pre-conference session that provided nutrition assessment training for dietitians, physicians, nurses and pharmacists.

Peterson also had the opportunity to visit six local hospitals and learn from nutrition support dietitians working in a variety of settings.