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The mission of UAMS is to improve the health, health care and well-being of Arkansans and of others in the region,

nation and the world by: Educating current and future health professionals and the public; Providing high quality,

innovative health care and also providing specialty expertise not routinely available in community settings; and

Advancing knowledge in areas of human health and disease and translating and accelerating discoveries into health improvements.

The College of Health Professions (CHP) serves the state of Arkansas as the primary arm of the University of

Arkansas in offering programs that provide education, service, and research in the allied health professions.



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UAMS Day of Giving at CHP

On Tuesday, October 2nd, UAMS held its second annual Day of Giving. The College of Health Professions set up a "donation station" near the Student Center to encourage participation and team spirit throughout the day. Faculty, staff, students, and Advisory Board volunteers staffed the station between 8:00 and 4:00 and served popcorn and lemonade. Check out the college's Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for highlights.

Preliminary totals for overall UAMS Day of Giving are over \$518,000, greatly exceeding the \$400,000 goal. CHP started the day with \$15,000 already pledged or given, and preliminary totals for the college show that we met or exceeded our goal of \$20,000, making this a very successful Day of Giving for all CHP programs. Other notable achievements of the day include:

- 100% participation from the CHP Advisory Board (our board was the first of all UAMS advisory boards to achieve)
- 100% participation from CHP programs in appointing ambassadors to participate in planning a successful day
- CHP Dean's Society gained at least seven new members

Please contact Christine Gronwald, Associate Director of Annual Giving at cgronwald@uams.edu for more information.

Images from left to right: Kattelyn Smith, CHP Student Council member representing the Nuclear Medicine Imaging Sciences program;

Sheena Joyner, Dietetics & Nutrition and Genetic Counseling; and Edward Williams, Physician Assistant Studies



UAMS Senate Council CHP Representative Update

The UAMS Senate is back in full swing with regular and annual meetings. Mark your calendars for the following dates:

- **Monthly Senate Council meetings:**

Open to all faculty! Last Wednesday of each month, 2-3pm in Rahn G230.

- **Full Senate Fall Meeting:** October 30, 4-5pm, Rahn G219

Chancellor Patterson, Keynote Speaker

Report of Academic Senate

Open forum for faculty concerns

In the wake of the recently approved BOT 405.1 revisions, the Senate has been involved in providing suggestions for the development of annual review policies. Three representatives from the Senate Council (MacMillan-Crow, Huitt, and James) served on the Taskforce on Faculty Annual Reviews, chaired by Dr. Jan Shorey. The taskforce drafted suggestions to the provost regarding the inclusion of peer review in the annual review process, the development of a faculty appeal process for unsatisfactory performance ratings, and the development of a remediation process as mandated in 405.1. The provost and UAMS legal counsel are working together to draft the new campus wide policies. The Senate Council plans to draft a formal response to the task force recommendations and encourages all faculty and college representatives to work with their respective deans to craft the details of the final policies when approved.

Lee Ann MacMillan-Crow (Senate Council President) is also serving on the UAMS Strategic Planning Steering Committee. Please send your suggestions or ideas for the strategic plan to her or your council representatives.

For more details on these and all other Senate activities, check out the Council meeting minutes online at <http://academicsenate.uams.edu/>. Here, you'll also find links to many other resources including the faculty blog, Senate Committees, and results of the 2017 Faculty Survey.

For questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact your Academic Senate CHP Representatives:

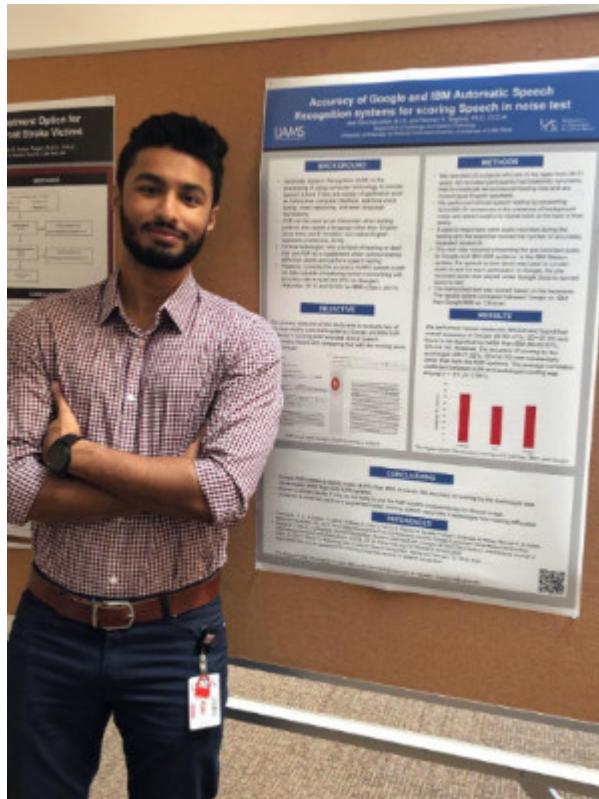
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Audiology News

Congratulations to 2nd year Au.D. student, Neil Vanchipurakel, for being selected to the Minority Student Leadership Program (MSLP) Class of 2018 sponsored by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)! Neil will join other MSLP recipients and take part in a set of leadership-focused educational programs and activities at the upcoming ASHA Convention in Boston, MA (November 15-17, 2018). These activities will help students build and enhance leadership skills and gain an understanding of how the Association works. In addition, students will network with leaders in the professions of audiology, speech-language pathology, and speech, language, and hearing sciences.



Faculty News

Physical Therapy Faculty appears on THV11

Jennifer Vincenzo, assistant professor in the Department of Physical Therapy, appeared on THV11 in Little Rock in September to speak about National Fall Prevention Day (September 22).

Emphasizing that Arkansas ranks 48 out of 50 states in falls, Jennifer focused on the impact of falls and recommendations for prevention. Thank you, Jennifer!

<https://www.thv11.com/video/news/health/prevent-falls-from-happening/91-8258767>



CHP Faculty Excellence Awards

Faculty awards were announced at the Fall Faculty Meeting, held on September 28th. Congratulations to Lindsay, Cherika, and Sam!

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Excellence in Teaching



Lindsay Gilbert
Laboratory Sciences

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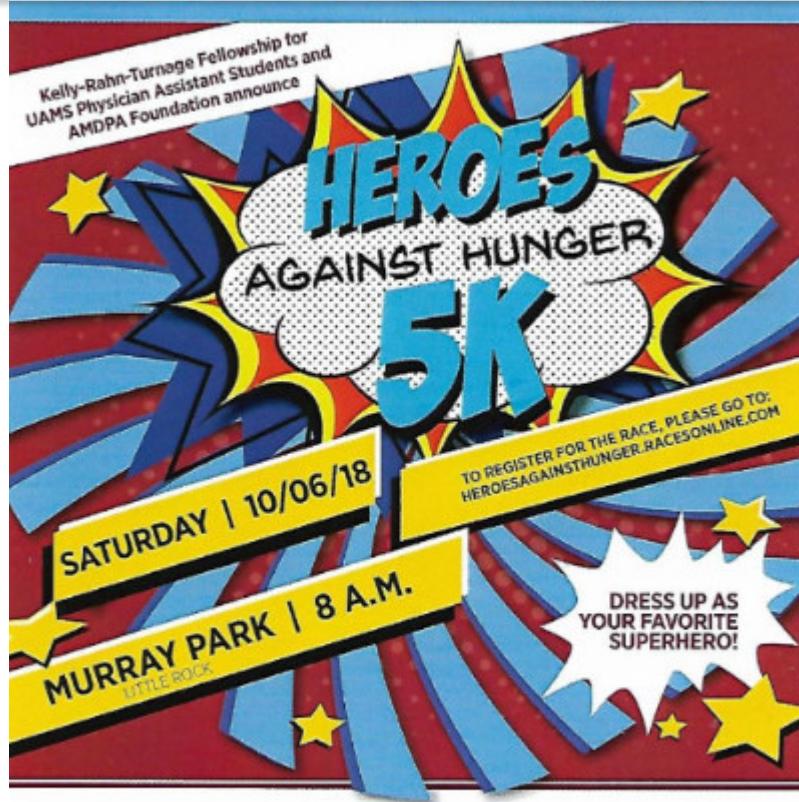
Sam Atcherson
Audiology & Speech Pathology

Don't Forget!

Physician Assistant Heroes Against Hunger 5K

Saturday, October 6th

Online race registration for the Physician Assistant students' annual Heroes Against Hunger 5k is open until 11:59pm CST on October 4, 2018. The race will be held at Murray Park in Little Rock on October 6th. You can participate in the 5K run/walk, show your support by purchasing a shirt, or the Kids Fun Run. **Students may use the code "student" to get a \$5 off discount on race registration.** <https://heroesagainsthunger.racesonline.com/>.



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Upcoming Events

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October 2 – UAMS Day of Giving

October 6 – Physician Assistant Heroes Against Hunger 5K, 8:00 am, Burns Park

October 15 – Fall Luncheon for CHP faculty and staff

(sponsored by the Faculty Development and Services Committee)

October 15 – CHP flu shot clinic for students, faculty, and staff, 1:00-4:00,

November 1-30 – UAMS Open Enrollment

November 4-10 – Allied Health Professions Week – first full week of November

November 5 – Courtyard Cookout, 11:30 am -1:00 pm

November 8 – Scholarship Recognition Reception, 5:00 pm

November 14 – UAMS Benefits Fair

November 14 – Ruth Allen Concert Series, 4:30 pm, Hospital Lobby Gallery

December 14 – End of fall semester

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