Awards and Grants

Kristie Seelman, assistant professor (Social Work), has been awarded a two-year $50,622.86 contract with the National Institutes of Health--Health Disparities [student] Loan Repayment Program. The title of her research is: “Social and Behavioral Factors that Influence Health Disparities among LGB Older Adults and Transgender Individuals: Two Studies Using an Intersectional Lens.”

Publications


Alberto Chong, professor (Economics) and 2CI Professor (Adult Literacy Cluster, College of Education) has the following published and upcoming articles.


Susan Snyder, assistant professor (Social Work), has the following published and forthcoming articles:


**Presentations**

**Sally Wallace**, associate dean for research and strategic initiatives, presented on a panel, “Access Georgia’s Data and Resources,” at the Get Georgia Reading Summit in Atlanta, September 2, 2015.

**Paula Stephan**, professor (Economics), presented “Biomedical Workforce Data: The Big Picture” at the Emory-Georgia Tech BEST faculty workshop, September 1, 2015, at Emory University in Atlanta. BEST is a program funded by NIH to help graduate students and postdocs in the biomedical sciences explore alternative careers.

**James C. Cox**, professor and Noah Langdale Jr. Eminent Scholar Chair (Economics), director (Experimental Economics Center), made the following presentations during his visit to Australia in July.


• “An Introduction to Experimental Economics” workshop at the University of Technology in Sydney, Australia, July 27-28, 2015.

• “Revealed Altruism,” paper at The Economics and Finance Seminar at Queens University of Technology, July 30, 2015.

• “Theory and Experimental Evidence” paper at Monash University, August 3, 2015.


Charles Courtemanche, associate professor (Economics), presented “Do Walmart Supercenters Improve Food Security,” at the University of Georgia, August 26, 2015.

Susan Snyder, assistant professor (Social Work), made the following presentations:


Karen Minyard, research professor (Public Management and Policy) and executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center), Etha Henry (United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta), & Kathryn Lawler (Atlanta Regional Commission) presented “Joining Forces to Improve Health Outcomes in Metro Atlanta” at the Central Georgia Community Health Partnership Steering Committee Meeting in Macon, September 2, 2015.
James Dills, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), made the following presentations:


Angela Snyder, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), was the keynote speaker at the Richmond County Medical Society’s leadership program, *Essential Tools for 21st Century Physicians*. She presented “How Healthy is Georgia?” in Augusta, Ga. on August 22, 2015.

Sam Williams, professor of practice, presented the first 2015-2016 Urban Fellows Lecture, “The Atlanta Way,” to a group of Urban Fellow students at Georgia State University in Atlanta, August 28, 2015.

Community Outreach and Events

The Georgia Health Policy Center (GHPC) suggests Andrew Young School faculty, staff and students consider taking part in the following initiatives:

- The University-Based Child and Family Policy Consortium is a great opportunity to participate in webinars, training, conferences and to receive consortium news. Georgia State University is a current member through the GHPC.

- Do you want to learn about innovative strategies to finance and coordinate community health initiatives? If so, register for Communities Joined in Action’s annual conference *Unleashing the Power of Communities to Improve Health: Accelerating Collaboration & Innovation* in Washington, DC, September 30-October 2, 2015. The program is designed to expand attendee’s knowledge of innovative strategies in partnering, financing, and assessing impact of efforts to improve community health. The conference will include a mix of informative plenary presentations by national leaders, engaging group discussions of current challenges and opportunities, and focused workshops to share and adapt innovations to meet community-specific needs.
Bahn represents Andrew Young School at the White House

Shereen Bahn (seventh from the left), senior research associate/assistant director (International Center for Public Policy), is shown with colleagues from around the country who attended President Obama’s Presidential Summit in Washington in August. The Presidential Summit was the culminating event for the President’s Young African Leaders Initiative (YALI), where cohorts of young African leaders spent eight weeks in the United States as Mandela Fellows, the flagship program for YALI. Bahn served as the project manager for the Georgia State University YALI participants. She worked tirelessly throughout the summer providing educational, cultural and social programming for the YALI participants.

Media

Harvey K. Newman, Professor Emeritus (Public Management and Policy), was interviewed on WBUR News (Boston’s NPR News Station) for the story, “How the Olympics Changed Atlanta, And What Boston Could Learn,” September 3, 2015.
Mary Beth Walker, dean, had several media hits per her published article in *Education Finance and Policy*, “Does Shortening the School Week Impact Student Performance? Evidence from the Four-Day School Week.” The article was co-authored with D. Mark Anderson (Montana State University). Following is a sample of the media who picked it up:


The Andrew Young School of Policy Studies was mentioned in the GlobalAtlanta article, “Nelson Mandela Washington Fellow Reflects on Her Atlanta/DC Stay,” August 31, 2015.

Bruce Seaman, associate professor (Economics), was quoted in the Atlanta Journal Constitution article, “Game Deal Keeps Money Flowing Into Atlanta,” September 8, 2015.

Robbie Friedman, Professor Emeritus (Criminal Justice and Criminology) and the executive director of the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE), had the following media hits:


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