# Message from Nancy Kropf, Associate Dean for Research and Strategic Planning

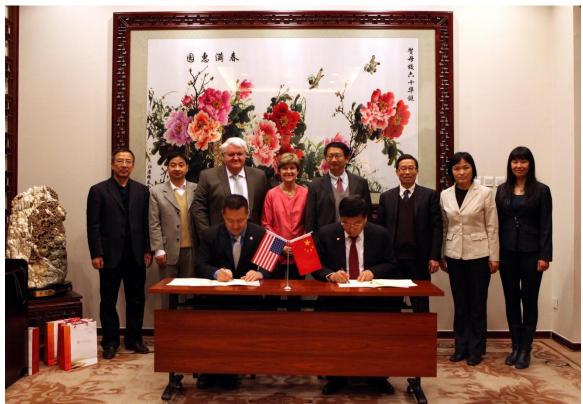


The University Research Services & Administration (URSA) department has made several changes to enhance the services provided to investigators. First, the Office of Sponsored Programs and Awards (OSPA) has reorganized into four sponsor specific teams for both pre- and post-award processes. (See diagram--

http://ursa.research.gsu.edu/files/2014/01/OSPAreorggraphiclarge.jpg.) Depending on your funding source, your proposal will be assigned to one of the following four teams:

- Contracts from industry, governmental, international and subawards
- NSF & DHHS (e.g., NIH & CDC) submissions
- Other Federal grants (eg., Defense, VA, Education)
- Not-for-profit agencies

Second, a new research portal has been developed to streamline information and provide a single point of entry for proposal workflow. On the URSA website (http://ursa.research.gsu.edu/), select *Research Portal* where you can view an extramural funding dashboard. Under the *Grants & Reporting* menu, you can also view funding totals by college, department, and the individual faculty member level. Additionally, awards are processed electronically (no more routing paperwork by hand). Please take some time to explore the new site. If you have suggestions about ways to make the portal more user friendly, let me know so I can share them with the developers. Enjoy!



Mary Beth Walker, dean of the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies along with Fenwick Huss, dean of the J. Mack Robinson College of Business and Jun Liu, associate provost of International Initiatives at Georgia State University are joined by Shi Jianjun, president of the University of International Business and Economics (UIBE) in Beijing, China, and various UIBE deans and vice presidents. The Georgia State University group visited UIBE to discuss dual degree programs for MBAs and MPAs. This is an initiative between Georgia State, UIBE and the city government of Qingdao.

# **Awards & Honors**

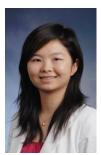


**Paula Stephan**, professor (Economics), was recently appointed to the European Research Council's Expert Group on Key Performance Indicators. The ERC is the largest funder of research in the nonprofit sector in Europe. **Stephan** was also featured in *Chemical and Engineering News* as one of the 50 speakers of special interest at the American Chemical Society meetings held in Dallas on March 16-24, 2014.

#### **Publications**



**Bill Waugh**, professor emeritus (Public Management and Policy), and Jessica Jensen (North Dakota State University). (2014). The United States' Experience with the Incident Command System: What We Think We Know and What We Need to Know More About. *Journal of Contingencies and Crisis Management*, 22(1), 5-17. http://goo.gl/NvzPhV.



Cathy Yang Liu, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), Gary Painter (University of Southern California), and Qingfang Wang (University of North Carolina, Charlotte). (2014). Lessons for U.S. Metro Areas: Characteristics and Clustering of High-Tech Immigrant Entrepreneurs. (White paper). Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation. News coverage of the white paper appeared in the Dallas Morning News, The Oregonian, Miami Herald, Riverside Press-Enterprise, Belt Magazine (Cleveland), and many others. Retrieved from

http://goo.gl/B6tba1.

## **Presentations**



William Alex Pridemore, Distinguished University Professor (Criminal Justice & Criminology) and member of the 2CI Cluster on Evidence-Based Policy, recently gave two invited presentations of "A Skeptic's Take on Studying Cross-National Homicide Rates: Challenging the Orthodoxy": at the University of Iowa's Department of Sociology on March 7, 2014, and at a University Forum presentation at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, March 11, 2014. He also presented "Professional"

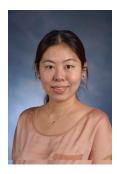
Development in the Social Sciences" to graduate students at the University of Northern Las Vegas' Department of Sociology, March 10, 2014.

**Paula Stephan**, professor (Economics), spoke at the American Chemical Society meetings in Dallas on March 18, 2014, on the "Placement Outcomes for Ph.D. Chemists." Stephan also gave a State of the Art Lecture to the American Society of Clinical Pharmacologists and Therapeutics at their annual meeting in Atlanta on March 21, 2014. Her talk was on "How Economics Shapes Science."

**Bill Waugh**, professor emeritus (Public Management and Policy), presented "The Citizen's and Communities' Roles in Mitigation, Preparedness, Response, and Recovery"; served as a presenter on the panel. "Emergency Management: Lessons from the Past, Innovations for the Future"; and served as a discussant on the panel, "Advances in Crisis and Emergency Management: Building Capacity for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Governance and Administration," at the National Conference of the American Society for Public Administration, Washington, D.C., March 14-18, 2014.



**Mindy Wertheimer**, interim director, clinical professor and MSW program director (Social Work), presented "Culture of Integrity: Leadership and Organizations" at the VA Medical Center in Atlanta on March 13, 2014. Her presentation was part of the VA's continuing education offerings for social workers during national Social Work Month 2014.



Cathy Yang Liu, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), Xi Huang (pictured), Ph.D. student (Public Management and Policy), and Gary Painter (University of Southern California), presented "Residential Clustering and Agglomeration Economies: Immigrant High-Tech Entrepreneurship within Urban Areas" at the Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, March 19-22, 2014.



**John O'Kane**, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), presented "How to Ask for Large and Small Gifts" at the March meeting of the Atlanta Association of Fundraising Professionals Diversity Fellows Mentoring Program, March 13, 2014. The 2014 program includes 10 fellows and 10 mentors, including Kimberly Lorch Perrins (MPA '12) as one of the mentees. Perrins currently works as a marketing and development director for ArtsNow.



**Karen Minyard,** executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and associate research professor (Public Management and Policy), presented "Leveraging the ACA Community Benefit Requirement for Collective Impact" at the Grantmakers in Health Annual Meeting on Health Philanthropy on March 7, 2014, in Atlanta. She also presented "Leading through Health Systems Change: A Public Health Opportunity" at the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Georgia Public Health Association Meeting & Conference on March 10, 2014, in Atlanta.



Glenn Landers, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), participated on the panel, "How Do We Support Public and Private Alignment for Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention?" at the Building Healthier Societies: Pioneer Perspectives forum on March 19, 2014, in Atlanta.



**Jane Branscomb,** senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), led a roundtable discussion, "Using Systems Dynamics Models to Support Collaboration and Decision-making with Diverse Groups," at the Urban Affairs Association annual conference in San Antonio, March 21, 2014.

# **Outreach**

Georgia Health Policy Center analysts **Debra Kibbe**, senior research associate; **Chris Parker**, associate project director; **Mohammad Khalaf**, research associate II; and **Tamanna Patel**, research associate II, along with the Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH), hosted the 2014 Healthy Schools Summit for Student Health and Physical Education's physical activity and nutrition grantees. The meeting took place on February 26, 2014, in Atlanta.



Chris Parker, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), speaking at the 2014 Healthy Schools Summit.



#### **MEDIA HITS**





Erdal Tekin (left), professor (Economics) and Volkan Topalli, associate professor (Criminal Justice and Criminology), co-authored a study published by the National Bureau of Economic Research titled, "Less Cash, Less Crime: Evidence from the Electronic Benefit Transfer Program." The study has received a great deal of national and international media coverage including articles in the Atlanta Journal Constitution, Businessweek

(<u>http://goo.gl/CtK6kD</u>), Wall Street Journal (<u>http://goo.gl/EVzyd1</u>), and The Economist, to name a few. A full copy of the working paper can be found at: <a href="http://papers.nber.org/tmp/38453-w19996.pdf">http://papers.nber.org/tmp/38453-w19996.pdf</a> and a copy of the press release can be found on the Georgia State webpage at <a href="http://goo.gl/qEVo7K">http://goo.gl/qEVo7K</a>.



**Robbie Friedmann**, professor emeritus(Criminal Justice and Criminology) and founding director (Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange), was featured in the article, "US Community Policing Expert Lauds Israeli Program as International Model," in *The Jerusalem Post* on March 27, 2014. <a href="http://goo.gl/PPKY2P">http://goo.gl/PPKY2P</a>. In a subsequent blog, Friedmann clears up a few inaccuracies of the aforementioned article. <a href="http://goo.gl/XISBrv">http://goo.gl/XISBrv</a>.

**Paula Stephan**, professor (Economics), wrote the article, "US University Science: The Shopping Mall Model," in the popular blog, *VOX*, which offers research-based policy analysis and commentary from the world's leading economists. http://goo.gl/0PF3hT.

### CONGRATULATIONS

**Steven Dale Heaton**, Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE) board member, was named chief of police in Griffin, GA.

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