1. **COMPADRE: NEW PARTNERSHIP SEEKS TO TRANSFORM HEALTH CARE IN RURAL CALIFORNIA AND OREGON**

A major grant was awarded to the University of California, Davis and Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU), which promises to transform education and improve health care between Sacramento and Portland through a network of mostly rural teaching hospitals and clinics. The five-year, $1.8 million [American Medical Association](https://www.ama-assn.org/) (AMA) grant will allow our two schools to establish a robust medical education collaborative known as COMPADRE, California Oregon Medical Partnerships to Address Disparities in Rural Education and Health. The UC Davis/OHSU proposal, led by Drs. Tonya Fancher, Mark Henderson and Mark Servis at UC Davis and Drs. George Mejicano and Joyce Hollander-Rodriguez at OHSU, was one of only eight funded projects out of 252 proposals submitted from 300 institutions and organizations. Learn more about COMPADRE at the [AMA News Release](https://www.ama-assn.org/) and the [OSHU & UCDH News Release](https://www.oshu.edu/news/).  

2. **FACULTY DIRECTOR POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT**

The University of California Davis seeks a visionary academic leader for the position of Faculty Director of the Center for the Advancement of Multicultural Perspectives on Science (CAMPOS). The Faculty Director position is a 50% appointment that entails a commitment of one year (with the possibility of renewal).

Since 2014, CAMPOS has aimed to create a community of scholars at UC Davis committed to the advancement of multicultural perspective on science. CAMPOS supports the progression of CAMPOS scholars and honors and celebrates their contributions while also creating supportive learning communities and spaces where collaboration and innovation can thrive.

The Faculty Director will report to the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Diversity (AVC-AD) and will provide leadership for promoting and sustaining excellence, equity and inclusion in the UC Davis STEM fields. Applicants must be tenured, ladder-rank at the Associate Professor level or above, at UC Davis with an established academic focus in STEM.
Click here for more information. To Apply: Send a letter of interest and CV by June 21, 2019 to Cheryl Herrera, cherrera@ucdavis.edu, Analyst for the Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Mrak 129.

3. 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.

4. 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.)

5. RECTAL CANCER PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

The rectal cancer surgery program at UC Davis Health has been accredited by the National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer of the American College of Surgeons (ACS), making it one of just nine programs in the nation to achieve this recognition.
Accreditation is for three years and based on 19 standards, including having a multidisciplinary rectal cancer care team with representatives from surgery, pathology, radiology, radiation oncology and medical oncology. Additional standards address required clinical services, treatment timelines and performance measures. The program at UC Davis Health met all of the standards.

“Providing complete, patient-focused care for colorectal diseases is a priority at UC Davis Health,” said Diana Farmer, chair of the UC Davis Health Department of Surgery. “This accreditation is a testament to surgeon Linda Farkas, nurse Emilie Beardsley and the entire rectal surgery team, who make sure all of their patients are provided the latest and most effective treatment options and are actively included in the treatment decision process.” For more information, click HERE.

6. **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 cc: remoncada@ucdavis.edu

7. **COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT – HARTWELL BIOMEDIAL 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 outsides 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.