

# Academic Personnel

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

### 1. We are pleased to announce Dr. Melissa Bauman as the new Director of WIHMS -



Dr. Bauman is a neuroscientist in the UC Davis Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences and a faculty member of the UC Davis MIND Institute. She completed her undergraduate education at Colorado College where she received a BA in Psychology. Bauman graduated from the UC Davis neuroscience doctoral program, and completed interdisciplinary postdoctoral training through the MIND Institute's Autism Research Training Program in 2003. Bauman joined the faculty in 2008, and utilizes her background in neuroscience and her training in autism research to develop preclinical models of neurodevelopmental disorders. Her current research focuses on understanding how changes in the prenatal environment, in particular the maternal-fetal immune environment, may increase the risk for autism,

schizophrenia, and other neurodevelopmental disorders.

Bauman also has a long-standing commitment to advancing women's careers in science and medicine. For the past seven years, she has co-taught the popular first year seminar she developed on "Women in Science," to inspire the next generation of women in biomedical sciences. In 2011, Bauman began a two-year appointment as the UC Davis Women in Medicine and Health Sciences (WIMHS) faculty mentee. Under the mentorship of Dr. Amparo Villablanca and Dr. Lydia Howell, Bauman created the WIMHS blog to expand outreach to faculty, co-authored a paper in Academic Medicine showcasing the success of the WIMHS program, and organized workshops on work/life balance. Bauman's experiences as the WIMHS mentee inspired her participation in additional leadership training through the AAMC Early- and Mid-Career Women's Professional Development Seminars. She was later selected to represent UC Davis Health in the UC Women's Initiative for Professional Development program, designed as a pipeline for advancing and elevating women into leadership positions. As of January 2018, Dr. Bauman now serves as the director of the WIMHS program where she will lead new efforts to advance women's careers at UC Davis Health.

2. Module 3: Understanding Faculty Series and Titles: Promotions Portfolios - The objective of this course is to provide resources that will help mentors and mentees understand the academic merit and promotion processes and to train mentors to advise and assist mentees in preparation for promotion (across a variety of faculty/academic series). Presented by Colleen Clancy, PhD, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Personnel, UC Davis Health.

Click on the session date to register:

Thursday, April 19, 2018, 12 - 2:00 pm, Education Building, Room 3205

#### 3. Grant brings genomic sequencing to children whose insurance doesn't provide



**coverage** - The UC Davis Division of Genomic Medicine has received a two-year, \$50,000 grant from the Children's Miracle Network at UC Davis to bring next-generation genomic sequencing (NGS) to children in need in the Sacramento region. The grant will support NGS for children with undiagnosed, often congenital, conditions to find the underlying genetic causes and improve their care.

"Many public and private insurance carriers really view genomic sequencing as experimental so it's not being covered," said <u>Katherine Rauen</u>, chief of genomic medicine at UC Davis and

principal investigator on the grant. "However, there is a lot of information in the literature that sequencing is not experimental anymore. We're going to identify patients who would benefit from next-generation sequencing but, because their insurance doesn't cover it, have no access."

## 4. Mentoring Academy Upcoming Mentee and Mentor Workshops MENTOR Workshops:

Combined Module 4: Addressing Diversity and Inclusion – Learn to foster an inclusive environment to promote high achievement in all mentees and Module 5: Promoting Professional Development: Fostering Independence – Learn strategies to foster independence in your mentee. Tuesday, May 15, 2018, 12-2pm, Education Building, Room 3229.

For full listing of workshops please click here



#### 5. Dean's Year of Learning Presentations



Have you ever wondered? How and why does the brain age? What impact does brain aging have on our society? What can you do to improve brain health? Join Dr. Charles DeCarli, UC Davis Professor of Neurology, Director of the Alzheimer's Disease Center, and Director of the Imaging of Dementia and Aging (IDeA) Laboratory on Wednesday, March 21, 2018, 12-1pm, Education Building, Lecture Hall 1204 as he gives a talk on: Learning

About Brain Health.



Creating a Culture of Mindfulness, Wellness, Growth and Learning Join Dr. Nate Kuppermann, MD, MPH

Wednesday, April 18, 2018, 12-1pm, Education Building, Lecture Hall 1204



To Err is Human; Reflection is Best Practice With Dr. Susan Guralnick, MD Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education

Tuesday, May 22, 2018, 12-1pm, Education Building, Lecture Hall 1204



**Learning How to Listen**With Gene Crumley, M.Div.
Leadership Program Director

Thursday, June 12, 2018, 12-1pm, Education Building, Lecture Hall 1204