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Support for Scholarships:

Kudos to more than 200 alumni, students, parents, staff, faculty, university leaders, members of the Dean’s Advancement Board, and friends of the College for donating more than $44,230 for student scholarships on U Giving Day! Special thanks to alumna Carol Stowell and her husband Jeff, alumni Dr. Heidi Favero and her husband Silvio, College of Nursing Faculty and Staff, Dr. Michael Good and his wife Danette, and Dean Marla De Jong for providing matching funds, and to Vianney Alcala, Mindy Francis, Mary Wheeler, Christine Moua, Heather Clarkson, Miriam Lovin, Jacque Scheider, and Eden Bennett for their work.
to organize, publicize, and execute the campaign. Donors were from 11 states and allocated their contributions as follows: undergraduate scholarships 34%, graduate scholarships 7%, gerontology scholarships 6%, PhD scholarships 6%, caregiving scholarships 15%, and ripple/emergency scholarships 32%.

**Community Engagement:**

**Dr. Diane Chapman** was appointed as Utah State Liaison to the [American Academy of Nurse Practitioners](https://www.aanp.org/). The College of Nursing hosted [Saturday Academies](#) on Saturday, March 18, 2023. Saturday Academies develop and enhance diversity, build and promote an inclusive campus environment, and populate a strong applicant pool for admission into multiple health science fields with historically marginalized and underrepresented populations by providing a mentored pathway to higher education, and specifically focused on education in the health sciences. Grade 1-12 students from across Utah participate in interactive science activities that Health Sciences students from all disciplines organize and lead. College of Nursing baccalaureate students – *Michael McCarthy, Emmah Cabca, Junwen Lai, Jordan Williams, Anna Spagnuolo, Janet Munoz, Emily Izazaga, Autumn Hadley, Erik Johnson, Emily Flynn, Carter Johnsen, Elise Huguley, Annie Coleman*, and *Angie Gamarra*; and doctor of nursing practice students – *Alex Truong, Molly Sirks, Emilia Gwen, Va Mounga*, and *Samantha Bolton* planned interactive activities that students completed in the College of Nursing Simulation Center. *Sherri Kerney, Debbie Boulter, Kristy Gauthier, Yvonne Bass, Vianney Alcala, Angie Fenton, Aarohi Drabu, Dr. Ann Butt, Dr. Valerie Flattes*, and Dean Marla De Jong supported students.

Katharine Ullman, Associate Dean of the Graduate School, recognized **Dr. Ana Sanchez-Birkhead** for contributing to the internal review of the Department of Family and Consumer Studies. “Internal reviewers make a vital contribution to the quality of graduate education and the overall excellence of the University. We recognize that undertaking these reviews represents substantial time commitments from the internal reviewers. The Graduate School acknowledges the significant contribution you have made to our community…”

The National Commission on Correctional Health Care now offers the Certified Correctional Health Professional – Clinical Provider (CCHP-CP) credential, which recognizes the expertise of nurse practitioners, physician associates/assistants, and physicians who practice in the specialized field of correctional health care. **Dr. Jennifer Clifton** was a member of the task force that created the new certification. Correctional health care clinical providers require a unique set of skills to prescribe, diagnose, and treat patients in correctional environments. Those holding the CCHP-CP credential demonstrate that they understand the clinical needs of the incarcerated population, and know the unique challenges, legal context, and policies and procedures specific to clinical providers who practice in a correctional environment.
Awards:

**Dr. Lauri Linder** was selected as the recipient of the 2023 Outstanding Undergraduate Research (OUR) Mentor Award and will be honored at the [OUR Awards Ceremony](#) on April 3, 2023, at 10:30 AM. The award criteria included record of sustained commitment to undergraduate research mentoring, active participation in research-related activities on campus, and positive contributions to the research and teaching culture of the Department, College, and University.

**Sydney Gilliland**, Dr. Lauri Linder's mentee, will receive the 2023 Outstanding Undergraduate Researcher Award at the annual [OUR Awards Ceremony](#) on April 3, 2023. The award criteria included record of sustained commitment to developing research skills and knowledge under the supervision of a faculty mentor, evidence of independent and critical thinking, active participation in research-related activities on campus, and positive contributions to the research culture of the Department, College, and University.

Presentations:

**Dr. Djin Tay** was invited to present a research talk about non-parental caregiving and its implications for caregivers working in academia. She presented *Emotional and Health Impacts of End of Life Caregiving and Bereavement: Implications for Family Caregivers in Academia and STEM* at [Policies and Practices for Supporting Family Caregivers Working in Science, Engineering, and Medicine: Symposium 2](#). The symposium, part of a series, provided guidance to an expert committee of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine (NASEM) who will create a report to provide leaders in academia and government with evidence-based guidance on how to implement policies and programs to support the retention, re-entry, and advancement of students and professionals working in science, engineering, and medicine who have family caregiving responsibilities.

Olivia Frazier, [Eden Bennett](#), and Joshua Nay delivered a presentation about Transformational Gifts at the [American Association of Colleges of Nursing’s Nursing Advancement Professional Conference](#) in Washington, DC.

**Dean Marla De Jong** and Robin Newhouse facilitated the Academic Health Center Like Schools Focused Discussion at the [American Association of Colleges of Nursing’s](#) (AACN) [Deans Annual Meeting](#) in Washington, DC, and presented themes to the AACN Board of Directors.

Christopher Stucky, Felichism Kabo, and **Dean Marla De Jong** presented a poster titled *Associations of Surgical Team Communication with the Layout of Physical Space: A Network Analysis of the Operating Room in a Military Medical Center* at the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses Global Surgical Conference & Expo in San Antonio. They won third place for research posters.
In the Media:

Dr. Kathie Supiano and Laura Bradbury recently completed filming for the Prolonged Grief Group Therapy: Clinician Training project. Caring Connections plans to launch this training in Fall 2023. Special thanks to Debbie Boulter and Sherri Kerney of the Simulation Center; to the project’s videographer and producer, Nate Wichlacz; and to actors Kathie, Laura, Pat, Jack, Elise, Bridger, Bobby, Tiff, Missy, Christa, Simon, and Jamie.

Haley Weiss interviewed Dr. Kara Dassel for the TIME article Losing a Spouse Makes Men 70% More Likely to Die Within a Year. The article describes the widowhood effect – both members of a couple dying in short succession. Regarding reasons for the widowhood effect, Haley quoted Dr. Dassel, “it could be that bereavement at a younger age—since it’s more unusual to lose a spouse so young—creates added stress compared to later in life, when it may be more anticipated.

Publications:


Faculty Emeritus Spotlight:

Dr. Janice Morse is one of 10 University of Utah scientists listed in the world’s top 2% rankings for citations, according to the Scientific Index 2023.