

MCUAAAR Mondays

February 1, 2021

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Apply NOW to the NIMHD Health Disparities Research Institute 2021!



The National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) will host the **Health Disparities Research Institute (HDRI) virtually August 9-13, 2021.**

Open Application Cycle: Monday, February 1, 2021, 9:00 a.m. ET to Monday, March 8, 2021, 5:00 p.m. ET.

The HDRI aims to support the research career development of promising early-career minority health and health disparities

research scientists, and to stimulate research in disciplines supported by health disparities science. The program will feature:

- Lectures on minority health and health disparities research
- Mock grant review
- Seminars and small group discussions

Please note that applications will only be accepted from extramural scientists who meet NIH's Early Stage Investigator ([ESI](#)) eligibility criteria. Also, NIH and HHS staff, including persons in fellowships/training at NIH or an HHS agency, are not eligible to apply.

For more information - https://www.nimhd.nih.gov/programs/edu-training/hd-research-institute/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery



Gerontological Society of America (GSA) Call for Abstracts

Submit an abstract from February 1 to March 11 for your opportunity to participate in the GSA 2021 Annual Scientific Meeting program and enhance the future of the field. All abstracts must be submitted via the GSA submission site. Be sure to read the instructions on each page and the Abstract Submission Planning Guide before completion. You will be able to edit your abstract as many times as necessary **before the March 11 deadline.** For more information - [Call for Abstracts \(geron.org\)](#)

Pre-Conference Workshop Application information—**Coming Soon!**

CONGRATULATIONS!

MCUAAAR Alum Robert W. Turner II (2015 MCUAAAR Scientist) Tam Perry (2013 MCUAAAR Scientist) for Receiving 3-Year R13 Conference Grant from NIA!!



Co-PI Robert W. Turner II, PhD and Co-I Tam Perry, PhD, along with Co-PIs Drs. Monica Rivera-Mindt and Mary Carrillo received a notice of award (NOA) from the National Institute on Aging (NIA) for a 3-year R13 Super Bowl conference grant. The aims of this multidisciplinary conference series are: (1) to identify knowledge gaps and future priorities in cognitive reserve, resilience, aging, and AD/ABRD health disparities life course research among Black males; (2) to cultivate a culturally competent workforce trained and committed to addressing Black male's brain health, cognitive aging, and

AD/ABRD research; and (3) to build a national research volunteer registry of Black Males. They are equally excited to be working closely with the National Football League Alumni Association and the Alzheimer's Association on this project. In fact, Dr. Carl V. Hill (PRBA Alum) and Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer for the Alzheimer's Association, is Co-Investigator on this grant.



Congratulations to Jennifer M. Gómez (2020 MCUAAAR Scientist) on Receiving the Wayne State University Outstanding Jr. Faculty Award!

Jennifer M. Gómez, PhD is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychology and Merrill Palmer Skillman Institute for Child & Family Development (MPSI), Wayne State University. She has published over 50 peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters, scholarly writings, and pieces for the general public. Additionally, she is the lead co-editor of a special issue of the *Journal of Trauma & Dissociation, Discrimination, Violence, & Healing in Marginalized Communities* (anticipated publication date: Spring 2021).

EVENTS

Social Justice and Mental Health in Sports Wednesday, February 3, 2021 5:30pm EST

In partnership with the NFL Alumni Health and Wellness Initiative, No Shortcuts provides a unique platform for sports/athletics challenges to be addressed through education, experiences, and resources.

This webinar features Michael Eric Dyson, PhD, Robert W. Turner II, PhD, and Beasley Reece. For more information, register by subscribing to *No Shortcuts* at <https://www.thecsba.com/n>



RESOURCES

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, Medicine Neuroscience Training Workshops



The COVID-19 pandemic has introduced tremendous challenges for neuroscience training, including those related to lab closings, class disruptions, and reduced job postings, in addition to the challenges currently faced by everyone in society. The past year has also seen a collective awakening around issues related to race, diversity and inclusion, with the crisis also putting a spotlight on systemic issues that predated the pandemic. This virtual workshop—the second in a series—laid out a broad framework and highlighted some of the specific dimensions contributing to the current time of uncertainty,

disruption, and stress for many neuroscience trainees, postdoctoral researchers, and their mentors, and consider changes needed across the ecosystem.

Watch workshop - [Neuroscience Training in Challenging Times A Virtual Workshop | National Academies](#)

Fostering a diverse neuroscience workforce, as well as an environment that is inclusive for all, are critical to the advancement of science and the future of the field. This virtual workshop—the third in a series—tackled the broad topic of inclusion and diversity in neuroscience training to include discussions on racial equity (*expanding on themes from the [first workshop](#) in the series*), supporting a global workforce, institutional and geographic diversity, unique challenges for women in science, understanding how the goals of inclusion intersect with the goals around changing the culture of science. This workshop also considered the changes needed to move the field forward in this space.



Watch workshop - [Diversity Equity and Inclusion in Neuroscience Training A Virtual Workshop | National Academies](#)

UPCOMING MCUAAAR EVENTS

<p>MCCFAD Research Scientist Seminar</p>	<p>Tuesday, February 2, 10:00 - 11:30am. Following progress updates, at about 10:30am, Dr. Hwajung Choi will present "Economic Aspects of Dementia". Zoom Meeting https://umich.zoom.us/j/91747533322 Meeting ID: 917 4753 3322 Passcode: 085130</p>
<p>Next Program Meeting</p>	<p>Wednesday, February 10, 9:00 – 11:00am</p>
<p>Next Scientist Seminar</p>	<p>Wednesday, February 17, 2021, 10:00 – 11:00am R Studio: The Sequel, with Dr. Wassim Tarraf</p>