A Abramson Family Professorship in Sarcoma Care Excellence: Kristy L. Weber

Kristy L. Weber is the inaugural Abramson Family Professor in Sarcoma Care Excellence, arrived at Penn Medicine last year as professor of orthopaedic surgery, vice-chair of faculty affairs, department of orthopaedic surgery, chief of orthopaedic oncology and director of the Sarcoma Program in the Abramson Cancer Center. Previously, she served as Virginia and William Percy Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, where she also directed the Sarcoma Program and served as chief of orthopaedic oncology.

The Abramson Family Chair in Sarcoma Care Excellence was established by Madelyn and Leonard Abramson to bring much needed resources to the effort to diagnose and treat musculoskeletal tumors. The Abrams have had an immeasurable impact on the University of Pennsylvania and they continue to provide and inspire visionary leadership in Penn Medicine’s efforts to transform the diagnosis and treatment of all forms of cancer.

“Dr. Weber is a tremendous leader and the ideal person to build the leading sarcoma team in the nation. She is pioneering innovative research and partnerships to combat one of the most challenging of cancers, as sarcomas are essentially a collection of orphan diseases,” said J. Larry Jameson, dean of the Perelman School of Medicine and executive vice president of the University of Pennsylvania for the Health System.

A summa cum laude graduate from the University of Missouri–Columbia with a bachelor’s degree in animal science, she earned her medical degree at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. Dr. Weber’s postgraduate training began at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, where she served as an intern and a resident in orthopaedic surgery.

Then she moved on to research and clinical fellowships in orthopaedic oncology at the Mayo Clinic.

Dr. Weber directs a multidisciplinary team that includes surgeons, radiation oncologists and medical/pediatric oncologists to treat patients who have musculoskeletal tumors. She specializes in the treatment of sarcomas of the bone and soft tissue, benign bone and soft tissue tumors and metastatic disease to bone from lung, breast, prostate and other cancers. She performs complex limb salvage surgery around the hip, knee, shoulder and pelvis.

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Director of the Office of Student Conduct: Julie Lyzinski Nettleton

Vice Provost for Education Andy Binns announced the appointment of Julie Lyzinski Nettleton as director of the Office of Student Conduct (OSC), beginning November 15, 2014. Ms. Nettleton has served as the interim director of the OSC since June 2014 and as director of the Office of Alcohol and Other Drug Program Initiatives at Penn since March 2009. She came to Penn in 2005, serving as both associate director and intervention specialist for the former Office of Strategic Initiatives and Alcohol Policy Initiatives.

In her time at Penn, she has presented scholarly research at numerous national conferences and led the development of multiple federal grants from the US Department of Education. Currently a doctoral student in the Graduate School of Education, she holds an MEd in human services and counseling from DePaul University and a BA magna cum laude in psychology and sociology from the University of Notre Dame.

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Bernard Fishman Professorship: Joseph R. Carver

Joseph R. Carver is the inaugural holder of the Bernard Fishman Professorship and an expert in the emerging area of cardio-oncology. He also serves as director of the Penn Cardiology Fellow’s Practice in the Penn Cardiovascular Institute, chief of staff of the Abramson Cancer Center and senior administrative officer of the Abramson Family Cancer Research Institute.

The Bernard Fishman Professorship was established by Mr. Fishman’s wife, Annabelle, his son, Mark and his wife, Jill, to honor Bernard’s memory. Bernard Fishman died in 2006.

“I am proud that the chair that bears the Fishman family name so perfectly marries the issues so dear to their hearts with Dr. Carver’s compassionate, visionary leadership,” said J. Larry Jameson, dean of the Perelman School of Medicine and executive vice president of the University of Pennsylvania for the Health System. “He will be able to touch even more lives as he develops a comprehensive, integrated and patient-focused cardio-oncology program poised to lead in this new field,” Dr. Jameson added.

Cardio-oncology has emerged as a new discipline in academic medicine, marrying cardio vascular medicine with oncology to manage and redesign cancer treatments that can be toxic to the heart. Dr. Carver focuses on mitigating the cardiac complications associated with cancer treatments as well as the long-term cardiac effects in cancer survivors.

Dr. Carver graduated from Temple University with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology. He earned his medical degree from Hahnemann University School of Medicine, where he also completed his internship and residency training. He has been recognized in multiple years by Best Doctors in America, as well as the 2011 Top Docs issue of Philadelphia Magazine. Dr. Carver has also received the Distinguished Teacher Award in Cardiology from the Perelman School of Medicine.

He served for 10 years as corporate medical director for Aetna US Healthcare, bringing a wealth of administrative experience to his numerous roles in the Abramson Cancer Center when he arrived as a clinical professor in 2003. His clinical expertise encompasses the cardiac complications of cancer treatment, cardiac risk reduction, cardio-oncology and consultative cardiology. He has received national recognition for his insights into the treatment of cardiac disease.

Dr. Carver is a fellow of the American College of Cardiology and the American College of Physicians, and a member of the American Heart Association as well as fellow of its Council on Clinical Cardiology. In addition, Dr. Carver helped to lead the Cancer Cardiovascular Survivors Guidelines Taskforce for the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

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Faculty Senate Executive Committee Agenda

Wednesday, November 19, 2014
Room 205, College Hall
3-5 p.m.

1. Approval of the Minutes of October 29, 2014 (2 minutes)
2. Chair’s Report (5 minutes)
3. Past-Chair’s Report on Academic Planning and Budget & Capital Council (3 minutes)
4. Ballot: 2015 Senate Nominating Committee Chair (5 minutes)
5. Update from the Office of the President (45 minutes)
6. Discussion with Amy Gutmann, President
7. Special Services and Preventing Sexual Misconduct on Campus (45 minutes)
   - Patty Brennan, Director of Special Services
   - Hikaru Kozuma, Vice Provost for Student Affairs
   - Jessica Mertz, Director of Student Sexual Violence Prevention and Education
   - Maureen Rush, Vice President for Public Safety
8. New Business (1 minute)

Honors & Other Things

NSF CAREER Award: Dr. Raj

Arjun Raj

Assistant professor in the department of bioengineering in the School of Engineering & Applied Science, is the recipient of an NSF CAREER Award for his proposal, “Unraveling Homeostatic Mechanisms in Gene Expression Regulation: Integrating Research and Scientific Communication.” The CAREER Award is the NSF’s most prestigious award in support of junior faculty who exemplify the role of teacher-scholars through outstanding research, excellent education and the integration of education and research within the context of the mission of their organizations.

Dr. Raj’s research works to develop a quantitative understanding of molecular underpinnings of cellular behavior and then uses this knowledge to better human health. In the “Raj Lab” he combines new tools that he and his collaborators have developed for single cell imaging with new genomic and computational methods to make highly accurate measurements of the molecular components underlying cellular function, focusing in particular on the behavior of single cells within an ensemble.

Kaufman Foundation Grant: Drs. Sweeney and Kamien

A pair of University of Pennsylvania physicists will receive one of the nine grants being awarded this year by the Charles E. Kaufman Foundation, part of The Pittsburgh Foundation, which supports cutting-edge scientific research in chemistry, biology and physics at institutions across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Assistant professor Alison Sweeney and professor Randall Kamien, both of the department of physics & astronomy in Penn’s School of Arts & Sciences, will receive $300,000 over two years to study living optical devices, or structures within animals that have evolved to shape and direct light in ways that may surpass advanced human technologies.

These animals, including squids and octopuses, naturally incorporate a type of protein called “reflectin” into a variety of structures within their bodies. The reflectin found in certain squids’ cells creates a kind of biological reflector with features smaller than the wavelength of visible light. This enables them to change the amount and color of light their bodies reflect as they move into brighter or darker waters, providing camouflage.

Another species that incorporates reflective proteins, giant clams, has even more innovative application for them.

“The giant clams use these sub-wave-length structures to optimize the photosynthesis of the algae living in their tissues,” Dr. Sweeney said. “They are essentially farming the algae for nutrients.”

Understanding how these structures assemble themselves into arrangements that make these abilities possible requires an interdisciplinary approach, drawing on evolutionary theory, biochemistry, photonics and soft matter physics.

Dr. Sweeney, a biologist by training, and Dr. Kamien, a theoretical physicist who works in the field of self-assembly and soft condensed matter, represent a unique combination of the skill sets necessary to undertake such a study.

“In general, our research on optical and other dark matter in the ‘Raj Lab’ integrates concepts from the fields of physics, chemistry, and biology to provide new tools for understanding complex systems at the nanoscale.”

For more information about the Raj Lab, visit the ISC Client Care website at www.upenn.edu/isc/help. For more information about the Sweeney and Kamien lab, visit the Penn Green Campus Partnership website at www.upenn.edu/sustainability.

We Want to Hear from You

In order to gauge the effectiveness of the changes made to the new website, the following surveys may be accessed through the Site Volunteer program.

• For IT Staff: ISC resources that were available to IT staff through the Provider Desk are now accessed using ISC Client Care. Planned and unplanned outages communications from ISC’s Network Operations Center sent to listers such as PennNet Announce will now be sent by ISC Client Care. Additionally, clients will receive follow-up emails with complete information about ticket resolution from the Remedy system from ISC Client Care.

Rethink Your Footprint

E-waste Collection Days

Thursday, November 13 in the Law School’s Goat Lounge, Golkin Hall
Thursday, November 20 in Sillen Student Study Center, in Williams Hall—from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.—re-think your footprint by recycling electronic waste such as cell phones, computers, printers or TVs, from office or home.

For more information about ISC Client Care, contact project managers Dawn Augustino at augustin0@isc.upenn.edu and Amy Phillips amyp@isc.upenn.edu. To keep current about ISC’s new organization, visit Redefining ISC at www.upenn.edu/computing/isc/define.
**SENATE**

**Faculty Senate Committees, 2014-2015**

**Senate Executive Committee**

- Chair: Claire Finkelstein (Law)
- Chair-Elect: Reed Pyeritz (PSOM/Medicine)
- Past-Chair: Dwight Jaggers (SEAS/Electrical & Systems Engineering)
- Secretary: Susan Yoon (GSE)
- Secretary-Elect: Lyndie Mouideleno (SAS/Romance Languages)
- Past Secretary: Stephen Phipps (SAS/Earth & Environmental Science)
- At-Large Representatives: Gustavo Aguirre (Veterinary Medicine/Clinical Studies), Paulo Arratia (SEAS/Mechanical Engineering), Christine Bradway (Nursing/Biobehavioral & Health Science)
- Delphine Dahan (SAS/Psychology)
- Julie Fairman (Nursing)
- Martha Farah (SAS/Psychology)
- David Grazian (SAS/Sociology)
- James Lok (Veterinary Medicine/Pathobiology)
- Salimah Meghani (Nursing/Biobehavioral & Health Science)
- Angela Mills (PSOM/Emergency Medicine)
- Philip Rea (SAS/Biology)
- Florian Schwarz (SAS/Linguistics)
- Brian Gregory (SAS/Biology)
- Victor Preciado (SEAS/Electrical & Sys. Eng)

**Members Elected by Constituency:**

1. Annenberg; Guobin Yang
2. SAS: History; Firoozeh Kashani-Sabet
3. SAS: Anthropology, History of Art, Music; Carol Muller (Music)
4. SAS: Mathematics; Ron Donagi
5. SAS: Biology; Brent Helliker
6. SAS: Chemistry, Earth & Environmental Science, History & Sociology of Science; Joseph Subotnik (Chemistry)
7. SAS: Classical Studies, Germanic Languages & Literatures, Romance Languages, Slavic Languages and Literatures; Fabio Fittoi (Roman Languages)
8. SAS: Economics; Holger Sieg
9. SAS: English; Bob Perelman
10. SAS: Linguistics, Philosophy; Jianjing Kuang (Linguistics)
11. SAS: East Asia Languages & Civilizations, Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations, Religious Studies, South Asia Studies; Justin McDaniel (Religious Studies)
12. SAS: Physics & Astronomy; Masao Sako
13. SAS: Political Science; Brendan O’Leary
14. SAS: Psychology; Loretta Flanagan
15. SAS: Sociology, Criminology; Melissa Wilde (Sociology)
16. Dental Medicine; Eric Stoopler
17. Graduate School of Education; Doug Frye
20. Design; Jackie Tileston (Fine Arts)
21. Law; Tobias Wolff
22. PSOM: Biochemistry & Biophysics, Biostatistics & Epidemiology, Center for Bioinformatics, Cancer Biology, Cell & Developmental Biology, Biostatistics Division, Pathology; Douglass Wiebe (Biostatistics & Epidemiology)
23. PSOM: Anesthesia, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Radiation Oncology; David Smith (Anesthesiology & Critical Care)
24. PSOM: Dermatology, Family Medicine, Ophthalmology, Orthopedic Surgery, Otorhinolaryngology, Psychiatry; Falk Lohoff (Psychiatry)
25. PSOM: Epidemiology Division, Genetics, Medical Ethics, Microbiology, Neuroscience, Neurosurgery, Pharmacology, Physiology; Jon Lindstrom (Neuroscience)
26. PSOM: Medicine; Allergy & Immunology, Cardiovascular Medicine, Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism, Infectious Diseases, Gastroenterology, Pulmonary, Renal Electrolyte, Division of Sleep Medicine, Experimental Therapeutics; Paul Lanken (Medicine)
27. PSOM: Medicine; General Internal Medicine, Geriatrics, Hematology, Hypertension, Translational Medicine and Human Genetics, Rheumatology, Emergency Medicine, Neurology, Rehabilitation Medicine; Michael McGarvey (Neurology)
28. PSOM: Pediatrics; Mauliy Shah
29. PSOM: Radiology, Surgery; Richard Shilansky-Goldberg (Radiology)
30. Nursing; Eileen Lake
31. Social Policy & Practice; Toorjo Ghose
32. Veterinary Medicine; Animal Biology, Pathobiology; Narayan Avadhani (Animal Biology)
33. Veterinary Medicine; Clinical Studies-New Bolton Center, Clinical Studies-Philadelphia; Errika Krick (Clinical Studies-Philadelphia)
34. Wharton; Accounting, Healthcare, Insurance & Risk, Operations & Information Management, Statistics; Robert A. Stine (Statistics)
35. Wharton; Finance, Legal Studies & Business Ethics, Business & Public Policy; Karen Lewis (Finance)
36. Wharton; Management, Marketing, Real Estate; Christophe Van den Bulte (Marketing)

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**Senate Committee on Faculty and the Academic Mission (SCOF)**

- Nancy Hanrahan, Nursing
- Ron Harty, Veterinary Medicine
- Justin McDaniel, SAS/Religious Studies
- Amy Sepinwall, Wharton
- Mindy Schuster, PSOM/Epidemiology & Biostatistics
- Brian Saltzberg, PSOM/Neuroscience
- Talid Simno, SEAS
- R. Polk Wagner, Law, Chair
- Ex officio
- Senate Chair, Claire Finkelstein, Law
- Senate Chair-Elect, Reed Pyeritz, PSOM/Translational Medicine and Human Genetics

**Senate Committee on Faculty and the Administration (SCOA)**

- Sigal Ben-Porath, GSE
- Ken Drobutz, Veterinary Medicine
- Jonathan Korostoff, Dental Medicine
- Irina Marinov, SAS/Earth & Environmental Science
- Brian Saltzberg, PSOM/Neuroscience
- Talid Simno, SEAS
- R. Polk Wagner, Law, Chair
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**Senate Committee on Faculty Development, Diversity and Equity (SCFDE)**

- Regina Austin, Law
- Mauro Calcagno, SAS/Music
- Carmen Guerra, PSOM/General Internal Medicine
- Lisa Lewis, Nursing
- Mitch Marcus, SEAS, Chair
- Ignacio Tapia, PSOM/Pediatrics
- Tobias Wolff, Law
- Ex officio
- Senate Chair, Claire Finkelstein, Law
- Senate Chair-Elect, Reed Pyeritz, PSOM/Translational Medicine and Human Genetics

**Senate Committee on Publication Policy for Almanac**

- Sunday Akintoye, Dental Medicine
- Al Filreis, SAS/English
- Carolyn Marvin, Annenberg
- Cary Mazer, SAS/English
- Martin Pring, PSOM/Physiology, Chair
- Guobin Yang, Annenberg
- Ex officio
- Senate Chair, Claire Finkelstein, Law
- Senate Chair-Elect, Reed Pyeritz, PSOM/Translational Medicine and Human Genetics

**Senate Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility (SCAFR)**

- Shyam Balganes, Law
- John Bassani, SAS, Chair
- Peter Dodson, Veterinary Medicine
- Nader Engheta, SEAS
- Alan T. Charlie Johnson Jr., SAS/Physics & Astronomy
- Edward T. Lally, Dental Medicine
- Carol Muller, SAS/Music
- Timothy Rebeck, PSOM/Biostatistics & Epidemiology
- Michael Weisberg, SAS/Philosophy
- Ex officio
- Senate Chair-Elect, Reed Pyeritz, PSOM/Translational Medicine and Human Genetics

**Senate Committee on Economic Status of the Faculty (SCESF)**

- Gustavo Aguirre, Veterinary Medicine
- Peter Fader, Wharton
- Robert Hollebeek, SAS/Physics & Astronomy
- Erika Holzbaur, PSOM/Physiology, Chair
- Andrea Troxel, PSOM/Biostatistics & Epidemiology
- Ex officio
- Senate Chair, Claire Finkelstein, Law
- Senate Chair-Elect, Reed Pyeritz, PSOM/Translational Medicine and Human Genetics
- Senate Past Chair, Dwight Jaggers, SEAS

**Faculty Grievance Commission**

- Steven Sondheimer, PSOM/Obsetrics & Gynecology, Chair
- Martha Curley, Nursing, Past-Chair
- Parvati Ramachandani, PSOM/Radiology, Chair-Elect

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Members of University Council, 2014-2015

Council

Steering Committee

The Steering Committee shall consist of the president of the University, the provost, the chair, the chair-elect and the past chair of the Faculty Senate, the chair of the Undergraduate Assembly, the chair of the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly, the chair of the Penn Professional Staff Assembly and the chair of the Weekly-Paid Penn Professional Staff Assembly. Drawn from the Council membership there shall be in addition four faculty members, one graduate/professional student and one undergraduate student elected by the respective governing bodies, as well as one additional member of the Penn Professional Staff Assembly and one additional member of the Weekly-Paid Penn Professional Staff Assembly, each elected by their respective assemblies. The chair of the Faculty Senate shall be the chair of the Steering Committee. In the absence of the chair, or at the request of the chair, the chair-elect shall serve as chair of the Steering Committee. The Council moderator will be an official observer at meetings of the Steering Committee. The secretary of the Council shall serve as secretary of the Steering Committee. Members of the Steering Committee may attend the meetings of Council committees.
—Council Bylaws

Members of Council

Chair: Melissa Wilde
Rosa Vargas
Justine Sefcik
Reed Pyeritz,
Vincent Price
Brendan O’Leary
Emma Grigore
Marcia Dotson

Executive Committee:

Elected: Melissa Wilde, Rosa Vargas, Justine Sefcik, Reed Pyeritz, Vincent Price

Appointees: Brendan O’Leary, Emma Grigore, Marcia Dotson

Members of the Administration

Steve Fluharty
Amy Gutmann
William Gipson
Eduardo Glonti
Joan Hendricks
Denis Kinane
Anita Mastroieni
Vincent Price
Maureen Rush
Valarie Swain-Cade McCoullum
Marilyn Jordan Taylor

Electedy by Faculty At Large

(Steering Committee Officers are Indicated)
Reed Pyeritz, Chair-Elect
Clare Finkelstein, Chair
Dwight Jaggard, Past-Chair
Lydie Mouldien, Secretary-Elect
Susan Yoon, Secretary

Penn Association for Senior & Emeritus Faculty

Martin Pring, PASEP Representative

Elected by Faculty Constituency

Term Expires May 2015
1. Guobin Yang
2. Carol Muller
3. Bob Perelman
4. Justin McDaniel
5. Masao Sako
6. Brendan O’Leary
7. Melissa Wilde
8. Doug Frye
9. Alejandro Ribeiro
10. Tobias Wolff
11. Falk Lohoff
12. Jon Lindstrom
13. Michael McGarvey
14. Richard Shlansky-Goldberg
15. Toorjo Ghose
16. Christophe Van den Bulte

Term Expires May 2016
1. Firoozeh Kashiani-Sabet
2. Ron Donagi
3. Brent Heliker
4. Joseph Subotnik
5. Fabio Finotti
6. Holger Sieg
7. Jianjing Kuang
8. Loretta Flanagan-Cato
9. Eric Stoopler
10. David Pope
11. Jackie Tileston
12. Douglas Wiebe
13. David Smith
14. Paul Lankcn
15. Maullly Shah
16. Eileen Lake
17. Narayan Avadhani
18. Erika Krick
19. Robert Stine
20. Karen Lewis

Assistant Professors

Term Expires 2015
Brian Gregory
Victor Preciado

TBA

Faculty Senate officers are italicized.

For more information regarding University Council, including Status Reports and Resolutions, see the Council website: www.upenn.edu/almanac/secretary/council/index.html

Lecturers and Research

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Theresa Busch
Christina Frei

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Miriam Archibald
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Abimbola Dairo
Steven Fondo
Katherine France
Jin Soo Han
Katie Martin
Rebekkah Merrell
Samantha Miller
Pierce Nathanson
Edward Scott
Justine Sefcik, GAPSA Chair
David Sun
Akeesha Washington

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Josh Chilcote, UA Vice-President
Roderick Cook, Lambda Alliance
Javier Garcia Tafaya, LC
Andrew Gegios, UA
Alex George, UA
Christina Hardison, UMOJA
Joyce Kim, UA President
Alexandre Kleis, AIS
Jennifer Knesbach, College Republicans
Leah Quinn, UA
Andrew Robertson, UA
Michael Shostek, SSAP
Habeeb Suara, MSA
Mithin Thomas, APSIC
Megan Yan, PCUW

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Yessenia Gutierrez

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Emma Grigore, Chair
Lucia DiNapoli, Chair-Elect

Weekly-Paid Penn Professional Staff Assembly

Marcia Dotson, Chair
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ROTC Representative

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Vice President and Secretary

Leslie Laird Kruhly*

Moderator

Phyllis Denmery*

University Council Committees 2014-2015 are on the next page, along with the schedule of Council Meetings and discussion topics for the remainder of the 2014-2015 academic year.
University Council Committees, 2014-2015

Standing Committees

Diversity and Equity:
Chair: Joe Libonati, Nursing
Liaison: Sam Starks
Staff: Kuan Evans
Faculty:
Regina Austin, Law
Herman Beavers, SAS
Kendra Bence, Veterinary Medicine
Ezekiel Dixon-Roman, SP2
Chenoua Flippens, SAS
Jonni Moore, PSON
Graduate Students:
Lloyd Talley
Shereen Chang
Undergraduate Students:
Abel McDaniels
Ovinkan Muraina
PPSA:
Kristin Field
Gail Oberton
WPPSA:
Ashley Gripper
Irene Tan
Facilities:
Chair: Eric Marsh, PSON
Liaison: David Hollenberg
Staff: Taylor Berkowitz
Faculty:
Zahra Fakhraai, SAS
Tanja Kral, Nursing
Kathryn Michel, Veterinary Medicine
Ann Moyer, SAS
Masao Sako, SAS
Rom Shrift, Wharton
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Graduate Students:
Sibi Vijaykumar
Andrew Wang
Undergraduate Students:
Kat McKay
Darren Tomasso
PPSA:
Elizabeth Hartzell
Kristen McMullen
WPPSA:
Loretta Hauber
Personnel Benefits:
Chair: Reed Shuldiner, Law
Liaisons:
Jack Heuer
Susan Sprout
Staff: Sheila Hall
Faculty:
David Balamuth, SAS
Anthea Butler, SAS
Carolyn Cannuscio, PSON
Jonathan Smith, SEAS
Lorraine Tulman, Nursing
PPSA:
Heather Frattone
Amy Noether
Claudia Quinton
WPPSA:
Joe Mellon, Jr.
Peter Rockett
Joyce Woodward-Jones
Committee on Committees:
Chair: Reed Pyeritz, PSON
Staff:
Vicki Hewitt
Joe Gasiweski
Faculty:
Claire Finkelstein, Law
Dwight Jaggard, SEAS
Michael McGarvey, PSON
Brendan O’Leary, SAS
Melissa Wilde, SAS
Graduate Student:
Alonzo Gilzen
Undergraduate Student:
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PPSA:
Lucia DiNapoli
WPPSA:
Loretta Hauber

Independent Committees
Honorary Degrees:
Chair: Larry Gladney, SAS
Liaison: Lynne Sniffen
Faculty:
Linda Aiken, Nursing
Charlene Compher, Nursing
Matthew Deardorff, PSON
Femida Handy, SP2
Daniel Raff, Wharton
Paul Snigowski, SAS
Graduate Students:
Yun Li
Prashant Subbarao
Graduate Students:
Rob Golden
Ruchita Pendse
PPSA:
Holly Marrone
WPPSA:
Linda Satchell
Open Expression:
Chair: Stephonos Bibas, Law
Liaisons:
Karu Kozuma
Katie Bonner
Faculty:
Stefan Both, PSON
J. Margo Brooks, Nursing
Bruce Giantonio, PSON
Saurabh Jha, PSON
Lauren Ristvet, SAS
Bernard Shapiro, Veterinary Medicine
Jim Sykes, SAS
Graduate Students:
Sai Lohith Gali Ramesh
Eleanor Marchant
Changru Tu
Undergraduate Students:
Casey Lipton
Jane Meyer
Aaron Senior
PPSA:
Esha Moore
WPPSA:
Donna Gladstone

University Council Meetings

The following are the dates for meetings of the University Council, which are open to observers who register their intention to attend by calling the Office of the University Secretary in advance at (215) 898-7005.

- December 3, 2014
  - A discussion of initiatives around active learning

- January 28, 2015
  - Overview of the Pennovation Center and other activities at the South Bank

- February 18, 2015
  - Update on Implementation of Recommendations of the Commission on Student Safety, Alcohol and Campus Life
  - Open Forum

- March 25, 2015
  - Findings from or progress report from the Task Force on Student Psychological Health and Welfare
  - Reports on Budgets and Plans for the Next Academic Year

- April 22, 2015
  - Presentation of Final Committee Reports

- May 27, 2015
  - Discussion of Potential Committee Charges for the 2015-2016 Academic Year

All meetings are held on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. in Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall. The agenda will be announced in Almanac prior to each meeting. Council meeting coverage is also published in Almanac in the issue following the meeting.
Basic Plan

This is a summary of the annual report of the University of Pennsylvania Basic Plan (Plan No. 002) sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania, EIN: 231352685. This annual report has been filed with the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, as required under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Basic Financial Statement

Benefits under the plan are provided through unallocated insurance contracts and a trust fund. Plan expenses were $13,723,084. These expenses included $4,656 in administrative expenses and $13,718,428 in benefits paid to participants and beneficiaries. A total of 22,131 persons were participants or beneficiaries of the plan at the end of the plan year.

The value of plan assets, after subtracting liabilities of the plan, was $609,530,638 as of December 31, 2013, compared to $479,215,227 as of January 1, 2013. During the plan year the plan experienced an increase in its net assets of $130,315,411. This increase includes net unrealized appreciation in the value of plan assets; that is, the difference between the value of the plan’s assets at the end of the plan year and the value of assets at the beginning of the plan year or the cost of assets acquired during the plan year. The plan had total income of $144,038,495, including employer contributions of $44,815,372, employee rollover contributions of $97,993,254 and gains from investments of $97,629,869.

Matching Plan

This is a summary of the annual report of the University of Pennsylvania Matching Plan (Plan No. 001) sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania, EIN: 231352685. This annual report has been filed with the Employee Retirement Income Security Administration, as required under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Basic Financial Statement

Benefits under the plan are provided through unallocated insurance contracts and a trust fund. Plan expenses were $179,192 in administrative expenses and $160,683,247 in benefits paid to participants and beneficiaries. A total of 23,391 persons were participants or beneficiaries of the plan at the end of the plan year.

The value of plan assets, after subtracting liabilities of the plan, was $3,608,927,955 as of December 31, 2013, compared to $3,118,966,313 as of January 1, 2013. During the plan year the plan experienced an increase in its net assets of $489,961,642. This increase includes net unrealized appreciation in the value of plan assets; that is, the difference between the value of the plan’s assets at the end of the plan year and the value of assets at the beginning of the plan year or the cost of assets acquired during the plan year. The plan had total income of $650,824,081, including employer contributions of $53,846,935, employee contributions of $57,324,866, employee rollover contributions of $13,526,326, earnings from investments of $534,936,741 and gains from investments of $121,827,230 and other income of $4,401.

Supplemental Retirement Annuity Plan

This is a summary of the annual report of The Supplemental Retirement Annuity Plan of the University of Pennsylvania (Plan No. 002) sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania, EIN: 231352685. This annual report has been filed with the Employee Retirement Income Security Administration, as required under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Basic Financial Statement

Benefits under the plan are provided through unallocated insurance contracts and a trust fund. Plan expenses were $27,270,697. These expenses included $10,876 in administrative expenses and $27,259,821 in benefits paid to participants and beneficiaries. A total of 23,374 persons were participants or beneficiaries of the plan at the end of the plan year.

The value of plan assets, after subtracting liabilities of the plan, was $803,192,948 as of December 31, 2013, compared to $649,917,982 as of January 1, 2013. During the plan year the plan experienced an increase in its net assets of $153,274,966. This increase includes net unrealized appreciation in the value of plan assets; that is, the difference between the value of the plan’s assets at the end of the plan year and the value of assets at the beginning of the plan year or the cost of assets acquired during the plan year. The plan had total income of $180,545,663 including employer contributions of $42,287,683, employee rollover contributions of $13,897,862, and other income of $121,827,230 and other income of $4,401.

Your Rights to Additional Information

Under ERISA, you have the right to receive a copy of the full annual report, or any part thereof, upon request. The items listed below are included in the report for the University of Pennsylvania.

1. An accountant’s opinion;
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4. Assets held for investment;
5. Insurance information; and
6. Information regarding pooled separate accounts in which the plan participates.

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Medical, Dental and Prescription Drug Benefits Insurance Information

The Plan has contracts with Aetna Health, Inc., Keystone Health Plan East, Independence Blue Cross, AmeriHealth and Metropolitan Life Insurance Company to pay medical and dental claims incurred under the terms of the contract. The total premiums paid for the plan year ending December 31, 2013 were $321,585,059.

Basic Financial Information

The value of Plan assets, after subtracting liabilities of the Plan, was $321,585,059 as of December 31, 2013, compared to $268,152,534 as of January 1, 2013. During the plan year the plan experienced an increase in its net assets of $53,432,725. This increase includes net unrealized appreciation in the value of Plan assets; that is, the difference between the value of the Plan’s assets at the end of the plan year or the cost of assets acquired during the year and the value of assets at the beginning of the year or the cost of assets acquired during the year. The Plan had total income of $69,859,254 including employer contributions of $4,454,130, employee contributions of $23,258,478 and gains from investments of $42,146,642.

Plan expenses were $15,846,164. These expenses included $1,948,302 in administrative expenses and $13,997,862 in benefits paid to participants and beneficiaries.

Life Insurance Benefits

The Plan has a contract with Aetna Life Insurance Company to pay life insurance claims incurred under the terms of the contract. The total premiums paid under this contract for the plan year ending December 31, 2013 were $249,959.

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Penn Libraries: Doubling Size of Online Resources for Penn Community Through Access to HathiTrust Digital Library

The Penn Libraries catalog, Franklin, now provides access to two million downloadable public-domain books and serials available through the HathiTrust Digital Library. With the addition of these digitized volumes, the number of e-books available through the Penn Libraries has reached 3.2 million titles.

“The Penn Libraries are always looking for creative ways to provide access to new resources for the Penn community,” shared Carton Rogers, vice provost and director of the Penn Libraries. “By providing access to these two million HathiTrust titles, we substantially increase the research content available to the Penn community through Franklin.”

HathiTrust is a partnership of more than 90 major research institutions and libraries working to ensure that the cultural record is preserved and accessible long into the future. The Penn Libraries became an institutional partner in 2010. The content preserved by HathiTrust has been digitized by partner libraries as part of Google Books, Internet Archive and in-house digitization projects and comprises over 12 million volumes containing over four billion pages.

The number of online, public-domain titles is expected to continue increasing. The HathiTrust reported on their website that “Several publishers, including the university presses of Michigan, Utah State and Duke have agreed, at least in principle, to open backlist titles through HathiTrust.”

The University of Pennsylvania Police Department Community Crime Report

About the Crime Report: Below are all Crimes Against Persons and Crimes Against Society from the campus report for October 27-November 2, 2014. Also reported were Crimes Against Property (14 thefts, 3 other offenses, 3 vandalism, 2 arson and 2 frauds). Full reports are available at: www.upenn.edu/Almanac/volumes/v61/n13/3repid.html. Prior weeks’ reports are also online. —Eds.

This summary is prepared by the Division of Public Safety and includes all criminal incidents reported and made known to the University Police Department between the dates of October 27-November 2, 2014. The University Police actively patrol from Market Street to Baltimore Avenue and from the Schuylkill River to 43rd Street in conjunction with the Philadelphia Police. In this effort to provide you with a thorough and accurate report on public safety concerns, we hope that your increased awareness will lessen the opportunity for crime. For any concerns or suggestions regarding this report, please call the Division of Public Safety at (215) 898-4482.

18th District Report

Below are the Crimes Against Persons from the 18th District: 9 incidents with 1 arrest (3 aggravated assaults, 3 robberies, 1 assault, 1 indecent assault and 1 purse snatch) were reported between October 27-November 2, 2014 by the 18th District covering the Schuylkill River to 49th Street & Market Street to Woodland Avenue.

10/27/14 6:49 PM 4206 Baltimore Ave Robbery
10/28/14 9:24 AM 216 S 48th St Aggravated Assault
10/29/14 9:58 AM 4800 Windsor St Robbery/Assault
10/29/14 6:46 PM 3400 Spruce St Indecent Assault
10/29/14 8:04 PM 4400 Chestnut St Robbery
10/29/14 9:05 PM N 30th & Market Sts Purse Snatch
11/01/14 3:45 AM 3809 Locust Walk Assault
11/01/14 6:16 PM 3602 Chestnut St Assault
11/02/14 11:28 AM 4800 Market St Aggravated Assault

Are you an African-American or Black man with high blood pressure? Do you take high blood pressure medication? You may qualify for a research study to track medication intake and other factors that influence men taking medication. School of Nursing seeks men age 18 and older to track your medication intake for 12 months. Participation includes five study visits to complete surveys and have your blood pressure taken. Compensation provided. For information, call (215) 746-6078.

For information, call (215) 898-5274 or visit www.upenn.edu/almanac/events.html

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The following is from a booklet that gives a brief overview of some of those men and women of the Penn community who have served and defended our country. It was compiled by the Veterans@Penn Committee (Ralph De Lucia, Diane Sandefur and Mike Felker). The goal of Veterans@Penn is to provide support, resources, networking and information for military veteran and active duty students, faculty and staff at the University of Pennsylvania. Acknowledgements: University of Pennsylvania, Archives & Fine Arts Library, US National Archives; The Vietnam War From the Delta to the DMZ. To see the brochure, which has numerous images from the Penn Archives, see http://www.cis.upenn.edu/grad/documents/penn-vet-hx.pdf

A Brief History of US Military Veterans at the University of Pennsylvania

World War II

In the late thirties, with many feeling US involvement in another war was inevitable, Pennsylvania ROTC unit seriously began physical testing of its members on the campus.

Penn President Thomas Gates volunteered the services of the University to the government, establishing “The University of Pennsylvania War Council.” Thousands of Penn students, alumni, faculty and staff were involved in the war effort. Thousands more military personnel were trained in special programs carried out by the School of Nursing, the Moore School of Engineering and the University Hospital.

One such program for the Women’s Army Corps (WAC) at the Moore School, trained women for work in ballistics research. Soldiers were taught Arabic, Chinese, Bengali, Hindustani, Russian, German, Spanish and Portuguese before heading overseas. Penn faculty conducted government sponsored research projects in such areas as “radar, the atomic bomb and sub-surface warfare.” Penn students in parasitology conducted research to combat the malaria that could devastate soldiers serving in Asia and Africa.

The Penn University Hospital, with a history of service in both the Spanish-American War of 1898 and World War I, continued their efforts in World War II both at home and abroad. The US Army 20th General Hospital from the University of Pennsylvania was setup in Burma, continuing the tradition of caring for the dying and wounded American and British troops.

In the 1930s William Waldron Schieffelin Claytor pursued his graduate studies at Penn, becoming the third African American in the nation to earn a doctorate in mathematics. During the war, Dr. Claytor served in the US Army where he taught in the field of Anti-Aircraft Artillery.

A memorial service in May 1946, held in Irvine Auditorium, honored the 362 members of the Penn community who gave their lives in service to their country.

Korean War

When the Korean War began in 1950, the campus of the University of Pennsylvania answered the call to service as it had always done in past, during the other conflicts. At least 70 members of the Penn family saw active service in Korea; some of whom died in the war—the dead included former students of the Wharton School, the School of Education and Mechanical Engineering. Campus blood drives were held to aid wounded soldiers, and admissions and registration rules relaxed to enable returning veterans to study under the G. I. Bill of Rights.

Vietnam War

During the Vietnam War the University of Pennsylvania was a center of student activism—as much, if not more, than many of the other college campuses in the United States.

Penn students and faculty participated in the 1965 Washington March Against the Vietnam War, which occurred on April 17. Teach-ins against the war were held in Irvine Auditorium. Petitions were signed calling for US withdrawal. On campus recruiting by Dow Chemical, the producers of napalm, and the CIA, were met with protests.

The University of Pennsylvania Committee to End the War in Vietnam (UPWV) held rallies at Locust Walk and marched down the campus in protest of the war. In 1969 students and faculty held a “Vietnam Commencement” in 1969 to commemorate those 1969 graduates who were expected to perish in the Vietnam War. At Hoy Day in 1972, the University of Pennsylvania Marching Band was followed by protestors demonstrating against the war. Despite the protests, members of the Penn community, either due to the draft or by volunteering, participated in the Vietnam War.

Mary Ann Krisman-Scott served as a nurse in Vietnam during the war before getting her doctorate in nursing at Penn. The mural honoring nurses at the corner of Broad & Cherry Streets includes a portrait of Dr. Krisman-Scott administering to the wounded in Vietnam.

For more than two centuries military veterans have been a part of the Penn community. With the current wars our country is fighting, it is more important than ever for the University to recognize these men and women who have served their country and provide them with the support and services they need.

Revolutionary War

John Peter Muhlenberg was a Penn student in the early 1760s, eventually becoming a minister serving a congregation in Virginia. During the early years of the American Revolution Muhlenberg became a follower of patriot Patrick Henry.

While preparing to go to war and bid farewell to his congregation Reverend Muhlenberg took his sermon text from the third chapter of Ecclesiastes, which starts with, “To every thing there is a season...”; after reading the eighth verse, “a time of war, and a time of peace.” He then declared, “And this is the time of war,” removing his clerical robe to reveal his Colonel’s uniform. He served as officer in the Continental Army, fighting in the battles of Charleston, Brandywine, Germantown and Yorktown.

War of 1812

Samuel Jackson was born in Philadelphia in 1787, the son of a pharmacist. He received his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1803.

With the start of the War of 1812, Dr. Jackson joined the First Troop Philadelphia City Cavalry. The First City Troop is the oldest military unit in the US that is still in active service; members have served their country in the Revolutionary War through to Bosnia and Iraq. During the war Dr. Jackson and the First City Troop were involved in defending Baltimore and the Chesapeake Bay, as a defensive act to protect Philadelphia from the expected advance of the British forces. In 1827, Dr. Jackson joined the faculty of University of Pennsylvania Medical School, where he remained until 1863.

Civil War

Many Penn faculty and alumni participated in the Civil War.

In December 1859 more than 200 students from the South withdrew from the Penn Medical School and returned South to continue their studies. This withdrawal was apparently motivated by John Brown’s body passing through Philadelphia. Approximately 6,000 alumni served in some capacity in the Civil War; 800 medical school graduates served as surgeons in the Union forces while more than 500 Penn graduates served as surgeons in the Confederate Army. The Congressional Medal of Honor was established at the start of the Civil War to recognize the gallant actions of sailors and soldiers on the battlefield.

That conflict alone produced 1,522 recipients of the Medal of Honor. Four of these winners were University of Pennsylvania alumni. One of these was William Robert Douglas Blackwood who graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in 1862. As surgeon, Dr. Blackwood served with the 48th Pennsylvania Infantry Regiment; he was wounded four times during the war.

For his bravery at the battle of Petersburg, Virginia, in April 1865, Dr. Blackwood was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. The citation reads: “Removed severely wounded officers and soldiers from the field while under a heavy fire from the enemy, exposing himself beyond the call of duty, thus furnishing an example of most distinguished gallantry.”

The number of University of Pennsylvania Civil War casualties has never been tabulated; a plaque dedicated in 1879 in College Hall commemorates “those who have distinguished themselves in special programs carried out by the School of Nursing, the Moore School of Engineering and the University Hospital.

World War I

Penn was operating as usual in the early stages of World War I, but when it became apparent that the United States would enter the war, the campus’ focus changed to preparing students to join the military.

As the war continued to escalate, the Penn campus became the site of military training exercises, with hundreds of students performing drills on the Quad while others participated in aviation training programs. As part of the war effort, Base Hospital No. 20, whose officers, nurses and enlisted men were recruited almost entirely from the University, was set up in Chatel Guyon, France.

The unit included medical officers, nurses, dentists, a chaplain and more than 150 medically trained enlisted men. At Base Hospital No. 20 American and French soldiers as well as wounded German prisoners were patients. Injuries included those caused by gas warfare.