

# Faculty Matters

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Read Our Faculty News

## Greetings!

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## CONGRATULATIONS!

### American College of Emergency Physicians

**Nicholas Maldonado, MD.** Department of Emergency Medicine has been awarded an ACEP national teaching award. The ACEP National Emergency Medicine Junior Faculty Teaching Award is given to an outstanding educator who demonstrates superior clinical teaching, who are less than 7 years post residency.



### Spring 2021 Faculty Enhancement Opportunity(FEO) Awardees



**Catalina Bazacliu, MD**  
Department of Pediatrics



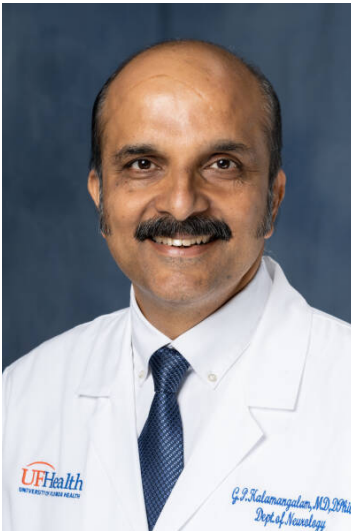
**Katharina Busl, MD MS**  
Department of Neurology



**Petra Duran-Gehring, MD**  
Department of Emergency  
Medicine-JAX



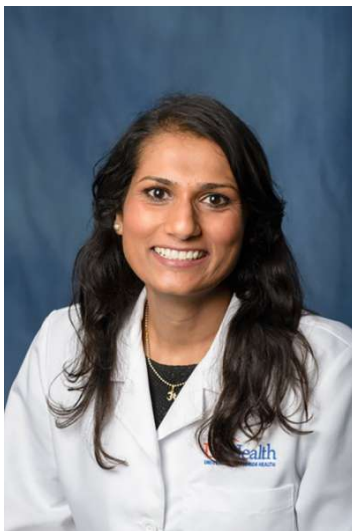
**Branda Fahy, MD**  
Department of Anesthesiology



**Giridhar Kalamangalam, MD**  
Department of Neurology



**Danielle Nelson, MD MPH**  
Department of CHFM



**Divya Patel, DO**  
Department of Medicine



**Jessica Lauren Ruoss, MD**  
Department of Pediatrics



**Stephanie Sims, MD**  
Department of Psychiatry-JAX





Please congratulate  
UF Urology Professor &  
Chairman  
Dr. Li-Ming Su  
on his acceptance and  
recognition  
as a  
Surgical Fellow of the  
Royal College of Physicians  
and Surgeons of Glasgow.

Founded in 1599, the College  
represents a worldwide  
multispecialty medical community  
of over 14,000 health professionals  
working together to advance the  
profession of medicine and improve  
training and patient care.



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## NEW GRANTS AWARDED!



**Elizabeth Shenkman, PhD**  
Professor and Chair  
Department of Health Outcomes &  
Biomedical Informatics



**François Modave, PhD**  
Associate Professor  
Department of Health Outcomes &  
Biomedical Informatics

**Dr. Shenkman and Dr. Modave** have been awarded a new National Institutes of Health R01

grant entitled, “Novel, High-Impact Studies Evaluating Health System and Healthcare Professional Responsiveness to COVID-19”.



**Awewura Kwara, MD**  
Professor

Department of Medicine  
has been awarded a new National Institutes of Health R21 grant entitled, “Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics of Dolutegravir in Children Weighing  $\geq 20$  Kg Living with HIV with and without TB Coinfection”.



**David Bloom, PhD**  
Professor

Department of Molecular Genetics and Microbiology  
has been awarded a new National Institutes of Health T32 grant entitled, “Basic Microbiology and Infectious Disease”.

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## Integrated Data Repository Research Services Launch New Website to Provide Researchers Access to Covid-19 Data

When a faculty member or research team requires patient data — to support grant proposals or to fulfil complex investigative studies — they rely on UF Health Integrated Data Repository Research Services. The team has launched [a new website](https://www.idr.ufhealth.org) (IDR.UFHealth.org) to make data requests easier – and provide health researchers with access to the COVID-19 De-identified Patient Dataset, which is pre-approved by the Institutional Review Board for faster access



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## Fidelity Investment Transition Highlights

These changes pertain only to the UF 403(b) Plan, J. Hillis Miller Health Center 403(b) Plan (also referred to as the AEF Plan), and FICA-Alternative and UF Special Play Plans. Those faculty who are mandated to participate in the ORP are also likely to have been mandated to participate in the AEF Plan, and there could be others who voluntarily contribute(d) to the UF 403(b) or held an OPS appointment at some point which would have required participation in the FICA-Alt plan.

Contributions that are made through the 12/18 paycheck will be routed to the current investment provider (for example, TIAA). Effective the 12/31 paycheck, Fidelity Investments will manage those contributions and related investments. However, it is important to note, no action is immediately required. If none are taken, contributions beginning 12/31 and any amounts that are already managed by, or transfer to, Fidelity will default into a Target Date retirement fund based on the participant's age.

We are currently in the "Quiet Period" when no elections can be made, but during the week of January 24th, when the "Quiet Period" is expected to end, all participants will again be able to manage their allocations accordingly. Only liquid assets at TIAA, like mutual fund investments, are scheduled to migrate to Fidelity. TIAA annuities and individual contracts will remain with TIAA. Contributions managed by AIG/VALIC, MetLife, and Voya will all migrate to Fidelity.

You can find detailed instructions on the transition website [www.myfidelitysite.com/ufi](http://www.myfidelitysite.com/ufi). At that site, you can also book one-on-one consultations with a Fidelity representative, register for Virtual Help Desk events and presentations, and find information detailed to their current investment provider. Faculty and staff can also contact Fidelity at 800-343-0860 and access their new UF accounts at [www.netbenefits.com/ufi](http://www.netbenefits.com/ufi).

## Next meeting

Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 5:00 pm

<https://ufi.zoom.us/j/99308093515?pwd=QmJ2RGU5R2k5Y0NMclNMZldwcDJrdz09>

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(Washington D.C)



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## AAMC Awards

Award	Award Information	Nomination Deadline
Award for Excellence in Medical Education	The AAMC Award for Excellence in Medical Education honors an individual or a team of two individuals whose contributions have had a demonstrable impact on advancing medical education. As the AAMC's most prestigious honor, the AAMC Award for Excellence in Medical Education recognizes the highest standards in	1/22/2021



medical education.

Award for Distinguished Research in the Biomedical Sciences	The Award for Distinguished Research in the Biomedical Sciences honors an individual or a team of two individuals for outstanding research in the basic or translational sciences. The AAMC has awarded this prize since 1947.	1/22/2021
Spencer Foreman Award for Outstanding Community Engagement	Annually recognizes an AAMC-member medical school, teaching hospital, or health system with a longstanding, major institutional commitment to partnering with their communities to address community-identified needs.	4/2/2021
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation David E. Rogers Award	Annually recognizes a medical school faculty member who has made major contributions to improving the health and health care of the American people.	1/22/2021
Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Award	The Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Award, administered through the Organization of Student Representatives (OSR), annually honors a medical school faculty physician (MD or DO degree) who exemplifies the qualities of a caring and compassionate mentor in the teaching and advising of medical students. The nominee must also embody personal characteristics that are desirable personal qualities necessary to the practice of patient-centered medicine. by teaching ethics, empathy, and service by example.	4/2/2021
Alpha Omega Alpha Robert J. Glaser Distinguished Teacher Awards	The Alpha Omega Alpha Robert J. Glaser Distinguished Teacher Awards recognize outstanding contributions to medical education made by gifted teachers. Up to four awards are granted each year.	4/2/2021
Herbert W. Nickens Award	Annually recognizes an individual who has made outstanding contributions in promoting justice in medical education and the health care of the American people.	4/2/2021
Herbert W. Nickens Faculty Fellowship	Recognizes an outstanding junior faculty member who holds the rank of assistant professor in a LCME-accredited U.S. medical school department who demonstrates leadership potential in addressing inequity in medical education and health care; demonstrated efforts in addressing educational, societal, and health care needs of racial and ethnic minorities in the United States; and is committed to a career in academic medicine.	4/2/2021
Herbert W. Nickens Medical Student	Five scholarships given to outstanding students entering their third year of medical school who have shown leadership in efforts to eliminate	4/2/2021

Scholarships

inequities in medical education and health care. They also should have demonstrated leadership initiative in addressing educational, societal, and health care needs of racial and ethnic minorities in the United States.

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## UF Highlights



First COVID-19 Vaccine in Gainesville Florida

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## New introductory statistics course for clinically oriented research

Dr. Cyndi Garvan & Dr. Terrie Vasilopoulos of the Department of Anesthesiology will be putting on a 12 part statistics course “Jumping into Statistics: Introduction to Study Design and Statistical Analysis for Medical Research Using JMP Pro Statistical Software.” The lectures will take place Lectures on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 12:00 – 12:30, from January 2021 – June 2021 (12 sessions). If you are interested let Melissa Liverman ([liverman@UFL.EDU](mailto:liverman@UFL.EDU)) know and we will forward you all the details!

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*Happy Holidays  
from the UF Health  
College of Medicine*



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