Transitions and New Hires

Summer 2016: Recent Leadership and Staff Updates for the School

Community Health Systems

**Department Chair Carmen Portillo**—Carmen will be on sabbatical beginning September. She returns to the Department of Community Health Systems (CHS) in June. Carmen plans to catch-up on her own work, take courses, write, etc. Carol Dawson-Rose and Beth Phoenix will provide interim chair leadership to CHS in her absence. Congratulations to Beth Phoenix and Rosalind De Lissner who have been successfully funded to lead a 2-year HRSA, NEPQR grant to partner with Mission Neighborhood Health Center to initiate an integrated nurse practitioner led primary clinic. Linda Park for her very successful (first R01 type) grant funded by the Veteran's Administration for 1.1M to evaluate mobile health strategies for Veterans with coronary heart disease. Glenn-Milo Santos has received an HIV Prevention Trials Network scholarship, which will provide some financial support and enhance his NIH collaborations. We are also very proud of his receipt of the highly coveted NIH Director's Early Independence Award (DP5). Annesa Flentje received RAP funding to support an intervention trial as well as an NIH K23 Career Award.

**Welcome**—Program Analyst Michele Keating supporting Occupational Health, Psych/Mental Health, and Advanced Practice Public Health Nurse (APPHN) programs as well as Analyst Pamela Dudzik who is transitioning to CHS from HCGNE.

![Michele Keating](image1.jpg) ![Pamela Dudzik](image2.jpg)

**Family Health Care Nursing**

**Department Chair Catherine (Kit) Chesla**—Kit will continue to lead the Department of Family Health Care Nursing (FHCN) as Interim Chair while the search continues. She does so with the able support and leadership by vice-Chairs Angel Chen and Audrey Lyndon. We are grateful for her stalwart leadership during a dynamic and important time for FHCN. Of particular note has been Kit’s advocacy of faculty affairs and long-term strategic planning. The department has seen significant recent events, including the Shobe lectures and Spanish immersion program in Colombia, led by Pilar Bernal de Pheils. Kit led community building within the department and financial improvements, including the School’s largest HRSA grant assisting academic community partnership in the central valley, proposed and now managed by Erica Monasterio and Liz Gatewood.

**Welcome**—Cynthia Chor and Marieville (Bel) Sales joined in December. Bel supports the FHCN Chair and Vice Chair, and Cynthia provides the department with administrative support for the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) program.

![Cynthia Chor](image3.jpg) ![Bel Sales](image4.jpg)
Institute for Health & Aging

**Director Wendy Max**—Wendy will continue to serve as the Director of the Institute for Health & Aging (IHA). She was appointed as director in June 2013 and was co-director from 1999 through 2013. Her accomplishments since becoming director include welcoming nine new faculty, diversifying the research portfolio to include increased federal/NIH and private extramural funding, helping establish the campus wide UCSF Center for Bioethics, and enhancing mentoring activities for junior faculty. Wendy also developed a new governance structure that now includes Julene Johnson as associate director and Brooke Hollister as policy advisor. Other achievements with the help of the wonderful IHA faculty and staff include establishing monthly faculty research brown bag series, offering twice-yearly symposia including an IHA 30th Anniversary Celebration last year, increasing IHA collaborations with colleagues at IHA and with community partners, increasing faculty involvement in teaching and working with School of Nursing students, and playing a leadership role in developing aging research within the School and the campus. Congratulations to Wendy for a very successful five-year stewardship review. Her vision and leadership have been instrumental in convening and organizing the School’s Aging Research theme.

Physiological Nursing

**New Department Chair Janine Cataldo**—Janine will lead the Department of Physiological Nursing (PN) in her new role as Department Chair following a national search. She has taught in both the School’s Masters and Doctoral programs and possesses strong management experience from the tertiary hospital setting on psychiatric health units.

**Previous Department Chair Margaret (Meg) Wallhagen**—Meg has led the department for nearly three years. We are grateful for her skills, expertise, and dedication. She returns to professorship in July and looks forward to being able to focus on progress with her extensive hearing loss research. During Meg’s interim leadership, she spurred the department to even greater heights—hosting three research jamborees, where PN researchers converged to collaborate and identify synergies for novel research activities.

Social & Behavioral Sciences

**New Department Chair Howard Pinderhughes**—Howard will lead the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences (SBS) as Interim Chair—read more. As part of the SBS tradition, there is periodic rotation of Chair and Vice Chair responsibilities among senior faculty. Howard has expertly assisted the department for over two decades.

**Previous Chair Ruth Malone**—Ruth has been serving as SBS Department Chair since July 1, 2010, and will be on sabbatical beginning July 1, 2016. This is an exciting time for SBS. Ruth is leaving an impressive legacy, having strengthened and expanded research programs, cultivated efforts to move research collaborations, streamlined the SBS masters program to a five-quarter program, and supported the development of new ways for sociologists and nurses alike to share their unique and much-needed policy expertise.

Dean’s Office: Student Affairs

**Assistant Dean Michael Treviño**—Michael joined in early July as the new Assistant Dean of Student Affairs. He hails from UCOP where he has been serving as director of admissions responsible for implementing the systemwide undergraduate admission policy, monitoring admissions as part of the university’s public mission, as well as
reporting outcomes to the Regents, legislature, and public. Michael has worked at a variety of public and private universities, including the University of Washington, Boston University, Harvard University, and UC Hastings College of the Law.

**Meredith Appelbaum**—Meredith joined the School’s Student Affairs team on June 21, as our Admissions & Progressions Officer. Prior to UCSF, she led Stanford University’s Public Policy Program as Student Services Manager. Meredith worked as an academic advisor for student athletes and taught the course ‘Psychology of Physical Activity’ while at Temple University. Prior to graduate school, Meredith spent four years as Administrative Coordinator for a learning center in New York. Meredith was born and raised in San Francisco.

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- **Teashall Britton** joined this summer full time and supports the Office of Student Affairs, Diversity in Action (DIVA), the FHCN department, as well as MS-HAIL.
- **Antonia (Toni) Burrel** joined this fall assisting as program representative and served as lead staff member coordinating this year’s commencement ceremony.
- **Michael McLaughlin** joined the Student Affairs team at the start of 2016 and supports our Masters and Doctoral programs.
- **Shandel Roberts** joined the Student Affairs team in October and provides critical oversight and leadership as Student Funding Manager.

**Dean’s Office: Administration**

We created a specific contact listing for roles and responsibilities in the Dean’s Office, which you can find on our [website](#).

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- **Michael Jaffe** started with the Dean’s Office in June when Karen Ho left to become a nurse in the School’s MEPN program. Michael supports the School as our new Facilities Coordinator.