



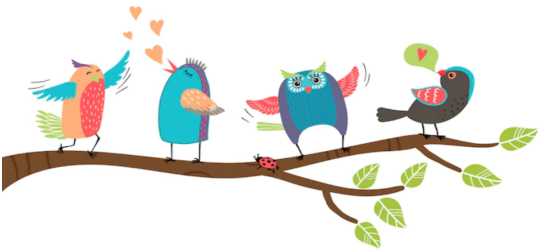
Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development

Spring 2023 Newsletter



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The 2023 Promotion Cycle

The Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development supports an environment where faculty members are encouraged to accomplish and excel in their professional goals.

On our office's [Promotion website](#) you will find information regarding application instructions, guidelines, checklists, timelines, and further resources.

Application Instructions:

Prior to May 22, 2023, the applicant/faculty member should email the Application Documents (see below) to somfacultyaffairs@health.slu.edu with the subject line: Last Name, First Promotion Application. Each document should be sent as a separate PDF attachment.

Application Documents:

1. Current CV in SLU SOM format
 - Note: In the CV, tenure track/tenured faculty and research track faculty must link to their self-selected five most significant publications or five most significant contributions to their field while in rank.
 - o [Template](#)
 - o [Example](#)
2. Application Letter
 - o [Template](#)
 - o [Example](#)
3. [Promotion and/or Tenure Evaluator Request Form](#)
 - o [Letter Guide](#) - for assistance in determining which type of evaluators your application requires



Additional Promotions Workshops: CV and Application Letter

Did you miss the OFAPD's March 22nd workshop on formatting and organizing your Promotions CV and application? If so, it's not too late.!

The OFAPD has scheduled two additional dates for applicants to receive advice on these two important components of their promotion application submissions. Applicants can choose a twenty-minute time slot, from 5-7pm, on either Monday, May 8th or Thursday, May 11th. Appointments will take place in Schwitalla Hall, room 259. Sign up for your time (below) today to make sure you don't miss out on receiving the OFAPD's helpful comments.



[Monday, May 8, 2023](#)

[Thursday, May 11, 2023](#)



CME Corner

Brought to you by the Saint Louis University School of Medicine's Continuing Medical Education (CME) program

If your email recently changed, you can update your CME profile with your new email. Visit our website, <https://slu.cloud-cme.com>, sign in and click on My CME. From here you can click on your profile and update your email address and any other information that might need to be updated.

Would you like more information on CME and offering CME for future programs? Reach out to CME Program Director, Amanda Sain, for more information! She can be reached at amanda.sain@health.slu.edu or 977-7401.



New Emeritus Lounge!

The School of Medicine is happy to now provide touchdown office space for emeritus/a faculty. (Doisy Research Center, Room 317 and Schwitalla Hall, Room M174)



Emeritus/a faculty are persons who have distinguished themselves while on the faculty and have remained professionally active following retirement. Emeritus/a faculty who remain active professionally are an important resource for the University, and their continued participation in University activities and functions are highly encouraged. Emeritus/a status is a lifetime recognition that is considered a transition to a new status within the Saint Louis University community.

Current emeritus/a faculty interested in accessing the Emeritus Lounge, please contact somfacultyaffairs@health.slu.edu.

For emeritus qualification and application guidelines, see the [School of Medicine Procedure for the Application and Eligibility for Emeritus Faculty Status](#).





5 Tips For...Using Library Resources

Contributed by Angela Spencer, M.L.S., Health Sciences Reference Librarian, Assistant Professor for the School of Medicine and SSM

Tip #1 - Start With the [library homepage](#)

Enter your SLU credentials to gain access to any library resource.

Tip #2 - Have an article you want?

Use [PubMed](#) or the [E-Journal portal](#) to find the journal.

Tip #3 - Use our [Inter-library loan](#)

Receive your items quickly. For most, there is a quick turnaround, often the same day.

Tip #4 - Follow us on social media

Look for [Saint Louis University Medical Center Library](#) on Facebook and [@slumcl](#) on Twitter. We post updates on our hours, programs that we are offering, search tips, and more.

Tip #5 - Need assistance?

Email us at mclref@slu.edu or use our [chat service](#).

See this [video](#) for an introduction to searching the wide variety of Medical Center Library resources available to the School of Medicine faculty.

Making a Difference - SOM Committees

Bring your knowledge, skills, dedication, and drive to a School of Medicine Committee to help pursue Saint Louis University's goal of excellence.

Call for Nominations

Please review and respond to the School of Medicine's Call for Nominations for Elected and Appointed Committees that was sent on March 30th via email to all full time School of Medicine faculty. You can also contact Amy Repp (amy.repp@health.slu.edu). Self and peer nominations will close on April 14.

All positions are effective July 1, 2023.



Faculty Elections

In mid-May, watch your mailbox for a link to the Faculty Affairs Committee ballot. Nominated candidates for Elected Committee positions will be voted on for the 2023-2024 year.



Meet the Dean's Staff

Adam Merando is the Associate Dean of Student Affairs for the School of Medicine



A native Kansan, I grew up in Pittsburg, Kansas where I attended Pittsburg State University followed by medical school and residency at the University of Kansas School of Medicine in Kansas City. I joined Saint Louis University as a Hospitalist and Associate Program Director for the internal medicine residency program in 2015.

In October 2019, I became the Section Chief for Medical Education at the John Cochran VA Medical Center where I oversaw curriculum and education development for students and residents in internal medicine from both Saint Louis University and Washington University in St. Louis.

I became the Associate Dean of Student Affairs at SLU in early 2023. I've had an interest in student affairs and student success since my own early experiences in medical school. I experienced first-hand the importance of an engaged and supportive student affairs office with resources to support me and my peers as we navigated the changes of medical school.

I hope to continue to build on many of the successful programs implemented in the school of medicine over the past several years with specific focus on career advising, academic support and navigating the rapidly changing environments surrounding medical education and transitions to residency and graduate medical education. I think that my experience working with the GME office and residency programs helps me better prepare our students as they apply for residency.

Outside of work, I enjoy spending time with my family including my partner, Austin, 2 dogs (Moby and Florence) and my cat Albus. We live in Tower Grove East and love being a part of the city including walking to Tower Grove Park. We enjoy trying new places to eat and I am a sucker for a great coffee place. We are members of our local community garden and I love gardening and caring for plants of all varieties. I try to stay physically active, enjoying Peloton rides and am a member at Orangetheory Fitness, a HIIT based fitness class.



I enjoy reading as well as attempting all sorts of art projects including stained glass and have a studio in my basement.

My roles at SLU: Clinically, I practice as a hospitalist on the inpatient service at John Cochran VA Hospital. I enjoy caring for patients in the inpatient setting and educating our residents and students. I have been involved in several Quality Improvement projects in my various hospital-based roles.



Women In Medicine and Science (WIMS) Updates

The Symposium on Women in Medicine and Science (SWIMS) will be held on the afternoon of September 13, 2023, 12:30-5:00PM. Our featured speaker will be Dr. Matifadza Hlatshwayo Davis. Dr. Davis is the Director of Health for the City of St. Louis. Her career passions include community engagement, the care of people living with HIV and the impact of COVID-19 infection in marginalized populations. In addition to Dr. Hlatshwayo Davis's presentation, this year's SWIMS event will feature breakout sessions for workshops, a panel session and a poster/networking reception.

Our third year of the **Women Mentoring Women** program will start in July. We will be looking for mentors and mentees to join the program and an announcement will be made to faculty, residents and fellows at the end of April. The program is geared towards supporting women in medicine and science striving to embrace personal, professional, and career growth. We are looking for self-driven individuals who are motivated to generate and meet mentoring goals in a collaborative relationship. More information can be obtained by emailing Dr. McHowat at jane.mchowat@health.slu.edu.



The poster for SWIMS 2023 features a blue background with white text and a photograph of Dr. Matifadza Hlatshwayo Davis. The text includes the event title, date, time, location, and speaker information. The poster is decorated with a light blue patterned border on the right and a red patterned border at the bottom.

SWIMS 2023
Spotlight on Women in Medicine and Science

Save the Date!

Wednesday, September 13, 2023
12:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Pillyk Auditorium, LRC

Featured Speaker:
Dr. Matifadza Hlatshwayo Davis, MD, MPH
Director of Health,
The City of St. Louis
Department of Health

Faculty Spotlight

Dr. Aline Tanios is a Professor in the Department of Pediatrics.



How long have you worked at SLU?

9 years

Why did you want to become a doctor and what is your favorite part of the job?

I planned on becoming a journalist until a good family friend of mine highlighted my strengths in science. This initiated a major gear switch in my mind and was one of the best decisions I've made.

As a pediatrician, I really enjoy working with children and their families. The fulfillment you get from sick children leaving the hospital after some scary times is priceless. I also enjoy the intellectual challenge that is posed through the children with medically complex conditions, along with the lifetime bond you build with their families. You won't solely be their doctor or one of their team players, but their #1 fan and advocate.

So far in your career, what do you consider to be your greatest achievement?

I have been fortunate to witness several dreams unfold in my career that were achieved with tons of discipline, grit, and focus. If I have to pick one, it would be making a difference in patients' lives and trainees' education.

What is the most helpful advice you've received?

Be bold and be present.



If you were stranded on a deserted island, what one band or musician would help keep your sanity?

Kelly Clarkson- "Stronger" is my favorite song.

If you could have dinner with one person, living or dead, who would it be?

I would pick my late grandmother who was so special, loving, tender, and just perfect for the child I was and the adult I am.

If you could only eat one thing for the rest of your life, what would it be?

It would be a combo Lebanese meal: Tabboule, kabab and hummus.

What book are you currently reading?

I am actually reading two depending on the time of the day 😊:

"Life is Messy" by Matthew Kelly & "Mind Mapping -Improve Memory, Concentration, Communication, Organization, Creativity, and Time Management" by Kam Knight.

