



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA
CENTER FOR SUCCESS OF WOMEN FACULTY

2017 SPRING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 2017

Wednesday, Jan 4, 2017, 1:00pm – 2:30pm, CNH (Colbourn Hall) Room 401. A Conversation to Encourage Women to apply for the UCF Excellence Awards. UCF Women's and Gender Studies and the UCF Center for Success of Women Faculty invite you to an informal conversation with Excellence Awards faculty winners from previous years. They will provide tips on how to better prepare your application for the 2017 Excellence Awards on Teaching, Research, Professional Advising and Service. Faculty will have their winning portfolios available for display and discussion. Come learn how to become the next winner. No RSVP needed.

Monday, Jan 30, 2017, Noon – 1:00pm, FCTL Room 205, Classroom Building 1. A Conversation to Encourage Women to apply and receive UCF TIP Award. UCF Center for Success of Women Faculty and UCF Women's and Gender Studies invite you to an informal conversation with TIP award faculty winners from previous years. They will provide tips on how to better prepare your application for the 2017 TIP award (due February 15, 2017). Faculty will have their winning portfolios available for display and discussion. No RSVP needed.

February 2017

DATE CHANGED TO: Wednesday, Feb 1, 2017, 1:00pm – 2:00pm, FCTL Classroom Building 1, Room 205. UCF Women Faculty Author Panel. An informal discussion on how to have your books published, negotiating book contracts, and how to write a strong proposal to have your book published. Panelists: Melody Bowdon, Associate Dean, College of Undergraduate Studies Executive Director, Karen L. Smith Faculty Center for Teaching & Learning, and Professor, Writing & Rhetoric, College of Arts & Humanities; Lisa Nalbhone, Associate Professor, Department of Modern Languages & Literatures, College of Arts & Humanities; Deborah Beidel, Pegasus Professor, Associate Chair for Research, Director UCF RESTORES, Department of Psychology, College of Sciences; Yovanna Pineda, Associate Professor, Department of History, College of Arts and Humanities. No RSVP needed.

Friday, Feb 3, 2017, Noon – 1:00pm, FCTL Room 205, Classroom Building 1. Being a Mom on the Tenure-Track: Finding a Path to Success. We will host a one-hour panel presentation comprised of 4-6 women faculty who have successfully achieved tenure or are on the tenure-track at UCF while raising young (below the age of 10) children. The panel will occur on campus during lunch and all UCF faculty will be invited (not just pre-tenured women with children). The goal of the panel will be for these women to share: 1) the challenges they faced while trying to achieve tenure, 2) the strategies they employed to cope with these challenges, and 3) recommendations for how UCF faculty and administration can better support women faculty who are both mothers and on the tenure-track. CSWF 2017 Faculty Fellows: Beatriz Reyes-Foster, Assistant Professor, Anthropology, College of Sciences; Pamela Wisniewski, Assistant Professor, Computer Science, College of Engineering and Computer Science. No RSVP needed.

Friday, Feb 10, 2017, 6:30pm – 8:00pm, UCF Observatory, Southeast corner of campus on Ara Drive. Astronomy Night for Faculty and Families. <http://planets.ucf.edu/observatory/directions> Robinson Observatory hosts a permanently-mounted 20-inch telescope with a science-quality CCD camera, as well as several portable 8-inch telescopes. Weather permitting, we will use the big telescope to view various galaxies and stars, and we'll set up several of the smaller ones with eyepieces to get real-time views of the Moon, Venus, Mars, and the Orion Nebula. **Tour Guide:** Dr. Yan Fernandez, Associate Professor, & Director of Robinson Observatory, Department of Physics, College of Sciences. No RSVP needed.

Tuesday, Feb 14, 2017, 12:00pm – 1:00pm, UCF Student Union Pensacola Board Room 222. CSWF Book Club, The PhDictionary: A Glossary of Things You Don't Know (but Should) about Doctoral and Faculty Life
Author: Herb Childress (1st gen undergraduate turned college professor turned administrator)

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Wednesday, Feb 15, 2017, 12:00pm – 1:00pm, UCF Student Union Pensacola Board Room 222. CSWF Book Club, The PhDictionary: A Glossary of Things You Don't Know (but Should) about Doctoral and Faculty Life

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Monday, Feb 27, 2017, Noon – 1:00pm, FCTL Classroom Building 1, Room 205. Achieving wellness: A workshop for busy professional women interested in healthy lifestyle. In this workshop, we will provide an overview of lifestyle recommendations for wellness and preventing chronic diseases, as well as we will discuss methods for achieving and maintaining healthy lifestyle. In addition, we will provide the attendees with hand-on experience in setting their own healthy lifestyle goals, and assist them in developing strategies to achieve those goals. CSWF 2017 Faculty Fellows: Magdalena Pasarica MD, PhD, Associate Professor of Medicine, Medical Education Department, UCF College of Medicine; Denise Kay, PhD, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Medical Education Department, UCF College of Medicine. No RSVP needed.

March 2017

Month-long celebration of Women's History Month! Please visit our [website](#) where we will introduce you to 31 (one each day) amazing UCF women faculty and staff who are shaping UCF's future!

Friday, Mar 3, 2017, Noon – 1:00pm, FCTL Classroom Building 1, Room 205. The Role of Women Faculty in Civic Engagement. This workshop is designed to expose women faculty to the different opportunities for social activism and civic engagement to assist them in working with women and people of disenfranchised groups in context of the research, and service required of an academic position. Workshop Goals: After completion of this workshop, women faculty in attendance will have a better knowledge of the following: Opportunities to research gender equity within different fields of academic study; Opportunities for women faculty to engage in community groups and organizations that advance the rights and opportunities for women at the local, state, and national level; Opportunities to engage students from each individual discipline (undergraduate and graduate) through research, activism or the development of student groups. CSWF 2017 Faculty Fellow: Melanie Sberna Hinojosa, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, College of Sciences. No RSVP needed.

Monday, Mar 6, 2017, Noon – 1:00pm, FCTL Classroom Building 1, Room 205. Publish or Parent? Managing Research Productivity for Early Career Faculty with Young Children. This workshop will describe what we know works and doesn't work regarding time management, networking, research and writing skills, and productivity, all while balancing the demands of parenting. The current literature around the specific issue of female faculty and their career trajectories will be addressed, although this workshop would be appropriate for either sex. Participants will not only leave with strategies that can help them boost their research productivity, but will have the opportunity to network with colleagues from around campus that are experiencing the same challenges. CSWF 2017 Faculty Fellow: Yara Asi, Lecturer, Health Management and Informatics, College of Health and Public Affairs.

Tuesday, Mar 21, 2017, Noon – 1:00pm, FCTL Classroom Building 1, Room 205. Becoming Unraveled: Journaling for

Self-Creation. Women in academia have unique challenging in trying to balance the demands of teaching, research, families, kids, and yet still trying to maintain some identity beyond their roles and titles. In this workshop we learn how to make time for sorting out one's thinking, state of mind, feelings, intuitions, apprehensions, hopes, and responsibilities by journaling and finding the right tools for journaling. Journaling allows women to stay connected to values, goals, and emotions important to them and allows for a record of growth and processing of experiences and thoughts that often women don't have time to do. Journaling also allows the mind to de-clutter and become more focused and attuned to problem-solving strategies. As diarist Anais Nin writes about journaling: "Put yourself in the present. This is my principal when I wrote the diary – to write the things I felt most strongly about that day. Start there and that starts the whole unraveling, because that has roots in the past and it has branches into the future." This workshop will give you the opportunity to do some purposeful unraveling. CSWF 2017 Faculty Fellow: Susan Jardaneh, Associate Lecturer, Department of English, College of Arts and Humanities. No RSVP needed.

Friday, Mar 31, 2017. 4:00pm – 6:00pm, Honors College Reading Room. **Life @ UCF Women Faculty Excellence Awards and Reception.** Invitation-only reception to honor UCF women faculty who currently have leadership roles in academic partnerships with organizations outside of UCF. Life @ UCF funded partnership awards will be presented at this event.

April 2017

Tuesday, Apr 4, 2017, 4:00 – 4:30pm, UCF Reflecting Pond, **Celebrate Equal Pay Day.** Everyone wear red and meet at the Reflecting Pond at 4:00pm for a group photo. Wearing RED on Equal Pay Day symbolizes how far women and minorities are "in the red" with their pay – nationally and globally.

Sunday, Apr 9, 2017, Noon – 3:00pm, UCF Arboretum, **Community Garden Day for Faculty and Families.** Fun and relaxing afternoon for faculty and their families. There will be tours of the community garden, seeding new plants, transplanting and pruning plants, educational component on organic gardening and discussing the value for both humans and the environment, produce give-a-away and much more. Plants for sale will be available. Tour Guide: Jennifer Elliot, Assistant Director, UCF Arboretum and Natural Resource Programs. No RSVP required.

Wednesday, Apr 12, 2017, 3:00pm – 4:00pm, Curriculum Materials Center (CMC), Education Complex Room 194.

DIVerse Families: An overview of children's and young adult books that show diversity within the family.

Books act as mirrors and windows, either reflecting our own lives or giving us a glimpse into other people's lives. They help us navigate the unknown, help us not make things so scary, explain issues in a non-threatening way. Books can be a platform for discussion between adults and children. Come listen to a book talk describing some great books for toddlers, children, tweens and young adults that show and highlight diversity within the family. CSWF 2017 Faculty Fellow: Kristine Shrauger, Head, Interlibrary Loan, Associate Librarian, UCF Libraries. No RSVP needed.

Thursday, Apr 13, 2017, Noon – 1:00pm, FCTL Classroom Building 1, Room 205. **Social Media 101 for Academics.**

Workshop will detail strategies for establishing an online identity, focusing specifically on Twitter and ResearchGate. Attendees will learn about tapping into existing online communities and strategies for sharing their research more broadly. CSWF 2017 Faculty Fellow: Staci Zavattaro, Associate Professor, School of Public Administration, College of Health and Public Affairs. No RSVP needed.

May 2017

May 8-11, 2016 Summer Faculty Development Conference. Track Title: Invest in Yourself. CSWF is now accepting applications for our track for the 2017 Summer Faculty Development Conference to be held from May 8 – 11, 2017. Everyone needs to dedicate some time to thinking, learning and acting on topics that matter most to your professional development regardless of your career stage. Our track will provide you with this time and space. Our plan is to collaboratively improve our: curriculum vitas, summary/personal statements for awards/promotions, negotiation skills, roadmap our futures, better understand micro-aggressions and bystander engagement, better understand women faculty's definition of success, plus many additional career-life balance options. Dr. Menah Pratt-Clarke, JD, PhD, Vice President for Strategic Affairs and Vice Provost for Inclusion and Diversity at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, will be our tracks guest speaker. Dr. Pratt-Clark will be discussing topics such as micro aggressions and bystander intervention skills. Priority acceptance for proposals is 5:00 p.m., Friday, February 24th. Room for 10-15 participants. Each participant will receive an \$800.00 award for full track participation. Please visit FCTL Website for more information on registration and all conference tracks. <http://www.fctl.ucf.edu/Events/SummerConference/>

Throughout the Semester: Please contact Linda Walters (linda.walters@ucf.edu) or Fran Ragsdale (fran.ragsdale@ucf.edu) at the Center for Success of Women Faculty if you would like to schedule a formal or informal meeting.

Visit our website for up-to-date information and additional events:
<http://womenfaculty.afia.ucf.edu/>