**Student Awards and Scholarships**

**Diana Hess Scholarship**
Alexandra Zimmerli, Global Disease Epidemiology & Control (GDEC)

In 1983 the Diana Hess Memorial Fund was established with contributions from her family and friends. Diana Hess, a former Peace Corps volunteer in Kenya, was devoted to improving public health in Africa. The Hess Fund provides an annual scholarship to students in the Department of International Health. Preference is given to those planning to work in Africa.

**Nancy Stephens Award**
Prakriti Shrestha, Health Systems
Andrea Carcelen, GDEC

Established in 1970 as the International Health Fund, this fund provides grants to master’s or doctoral students in the Department who are completing their degrees. For 37 years Nancy Stephens was the immensely popular student co-ordinator in the Department. At her retirement in 2001, Dr. Robert Black renamed the fund in her honor.

**Henry D. Kruse Fellowship in Nutrition**
Farah Behbehani, Human Nutrition

The Kruse family established the Henry D. Kruse Fellowship in Nutrition in 1987 to support a continuing doctoral candidate in the Program in Human Nutrition who has displayed outstanding achievement and promise. The fellowship honors Dr. Harry Kruse, who received his ScD degree in 1926 and was a distinguished faculty member in the Department of Biochemistry.

**Henry & Lola Beye Award**
Sarah Elaraby, Social & Behavioral Interventions (SBI)

This fund was established in 2001 through the estate of Lola Beye, widow of Henry Beye, MD. Dr. Beye received his MPH degree from the School in 1942 and was an authority on tropical diseases. He conducted intensive studies on elephantiasis, hemorrhagic fever, filariasis, and schistosomiasis. Mrs. Beye, a nurse, often worked in the field with Dr. Beye. This fund supports an outstanding student who has completed a medical degree and is pursuing a graduate degree in the Department.

**John Snow Award**
Lex Londino, SBI

John Snow, Inc.'s mission is to provide an extensive range of research and consulting services to the health care and service sectors. Its International Division provides technical assistance designed to enhance the effectiveness and quality of public health programs. The John Snow, Inc. Award, an annual award created in 2001, provides financial assistance to outstanding, second-year master’s students in the Department who are engaged in internships in the field.

**Mary and Carl Taylor Fund**
Jennifer Gerber, GDEC

The Mary and Carl Taylor Fund was created in 1995 with contributions from faculty and alumni in honor of the Taylor’s commitment to the students of the School of Public Health and to improving international health through research and action. The fund provides support to a student working in the area of international bioethics.

**The Harry J. Prebluda Fellowship in Nutritional Biochemistry**
Monica Pasqualino, Human Nutrition

This fellowship was established in 1990 by Mrs. Harry J. Prebluda and her children in memory of her late husband. Harry Prebluda earned his doctorate degree in Biochemistry at the School in 1937 and worked closely with E.V. McCollum. The fellowship fosters the careers of outstanding young scientists focusing on nutritional biochemistry and metabolism.

**Fulbright Award**
Lex Londino, SBI

The goal of the Fulbright is to improve intercultural relations, cultural diplomacy, and intercultural competence between the people of the United States and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge, and skills. It is one of the most prestigious and competitive fellowship programs in the world.

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**Arole-Taylor Underserved Community Health Fellowship Award**
Rashel Rabinovich, SBI

This fellowship was established in 1996 with a bequest from the estate of Elsa Arole-Taylor. This fund annually supports students, junior faculty, or other stakeholders with demonstrated financial need. Preference is given to students in the Department of International Health.

**The Elsa Orent Keiles Fellowship in Human Nutrition**
Swetha Manohar, Human Nutrition
Quinn Marshall, Human Nutrition

This fellowship was established in 1996 with a bequest from the estate of Elsa Orent Keiles, ScD ’25, a graduate of the Department of Chemical Hygiene (now Biochemistry and Molecular Biology). It is in keeping with Dr. Keiles’ research interests, the award provides tuition support for graduate students with demonstrated financial need in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology or the Program in Human Nutrition in International Health.

**The Social & Behavioral Interventions (SBI) Alumni Award**
Fiona Grubin, SBI

A merit-based award from contributions by master’s and doctoral graduates of the SBI program and their families in recognition of academic excellence and need.

**2018 Delta Omega Scholarship Competition**
Ankita Meghani, Health Systems

She was selected as one of the twelve winners and awarded a Delta Omega Scholarship during the 2018 Delta Omega Conference. The competition was held in San Diego where she had the opportunity to present her research paper entitled, “Utilizing the Complexities of District-level Decision-Making for Health: How to Empower Decision-Makers to Act on Data in Uttar Pradesh, India.”

**Richard Morrow Award**
Katherine Merrill, SBI

This scholarship is in honor of Richard H. Morrow, MD, MPH, who was a professor in the Department from 1991 until his death in 2013. Dr. Morrow, a pioneer in the field of health systems and international public health, is remembered for his brilliance, curiosity, humility, humor, generosity, grace, and, above all, his integrity.

**Humanitarian Assistance Award**
Marwa Ramadan, Health Systems
Kathleen Fallon, SBI

This fund provides support to master’s and doctoral students who are committed to improving humanitarian response and health for refugees, displaced persons and populations affected by conflict and natural disasters.

**Georgeda Buchbinder Award**
Laura Beres, SBI

Dr. Georgeda Buchbinder received her MPH from the School in 1984. She then moved to Hawaii and began a public health career by teaching Population Science and International Health. Her career was progressing extraordinarily well when she was diagnosed with cancer. This fund was established by friends and colleagues after her death to celebrate her all-too-brief career in public health. This fund annually supports students, junior faculty, or other priority projects in international health.

**JHU Graduate Student Employee of the Year Award**
Seema Kacker, Health Systems

The award is presented annually to an outstanding student who has made a significant contribution to the university through a student job by consistently demonstrating good work ethics, reliability, initiative, creative thinking, and professionalism; either on-campus or off. Seema has worked for the Johns Hopkins Technology Ventures (JHTV) as a senior corporate partnerships fellow for 18 months. In her role, she evaluates and assists in the translation of Johns Hopkins research to industry. During her time with JHTV, she has gained invaluable technology transfer experience and exposure to related career paths.
Faculty Highlights

Professor Peter Winch was named co-chair of the newly created Sustainability Leadership Council (SLC) for Johns Hopkins University. The SLC will address a variety of issues to help reach the University’s goal of reducing its carbon emissions by 51 percent by 2025. In addition to energy efficiency in buildings, waste disposal and recycling, the committee will focus on linking sustainability directed programs at different Hopkins campuses and encourage collaborations across University campuses. The SLC will include student voices in addition to faculty and administrators.

Assistant Scientist Yusra Shawar was awarded the Best Early Investigator Paper Prize by the International Studies Association (ISA) for her work on the paper entitled, “The World Bank and the right to health: A study of the institutions rights-based discourse. Shawar was presented the honor at ISA’s 60th annual convention. ISA is the primary gathering of international relations scholars around the world. The Global Health Section of the ISA established this award to recognize the best paper presented at the previous year’s conference by a researcher in the early phase of his or her career.

Associate Professor Caitlin Kennedy received a Golden Apple Award from the Student Assembly for her qualitative research course. The award recognizes excellence in teaching and is bestowed annually by the student body.

Faculty Highlights

Professor Joanne Katz was awarded the Ernest Lyman Stebbins Medal by Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health for her extraordinary contributions to the School’s educational programs. She also received a Golden Apple Award from the Student Assembly, bestowed by the student body to acknowledge the recipient’s special contributions to student life. Katz serves as the Director of Academic Programs for the Department. In her role, she oversees all of the Department’s master’s and doctoral degrees, which involves more than 200 students.

Assistant Professor Abdul Bachani was named Director of the Johns Hopkins International Injury Research Unit, which is based in the Department. Bachani has played a critical role in the Unit’s first 10 years of innovation and research in global injury prevention and control. A founding member, he first served as associate director for training and capacity development before becoming deputy director. As director, Bachani continues his leadership of a diverse, multidisciplinary team of faculty and scientists in injury prevention research, collaboration, and training.

Professor Anthony So Appointed Co-Convenor of the United Nations Interagency Coordination Group to lead global efforts on antimicrobial resistance. In this role, he led efforts to draw upon evidence and expertise from those working in the field from UN member states and agencies, civil society and the private sector. Read more on the back page of this newsletter.

Student Highlights

Boren Fellowships

Sunny Liu, SBI, for Swahili
Kat Fallon, SBI, for Arabic
Maia Johnstone, SBI, for Wolof

An initiative of the National Security Education Program, Boren Fellowships provide unique funding opportunities for US graduate students to study less commonly taught languages in world regions critical to US interests, and underrepresented in study abroad, including Africa, Asia, Central and Latin America, and the Middle East.

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Faculty, Student & Staff Highlights

Student Assembly Staff Recognition Award for Outstanding Service

For the third time in 7 years, Academic Program Manager Cristina Salazar has been honored with the Bloomberg School’s Staff Recognition Award, given annually by the student body in recognition of outstanding contributions to the School and student life. Associate Professor and Associate Chair for Student Matters Maria Merritt commented: “It’s an honor to work with a colleague as wise and compassionate as Cristina. She cares about each of our students, and I’m learning continually from her about how we can most effectively put into practice our interest in students’ well-being and success.”

Assistant Scientist Sun Eun Lee received the 2018 Rainer Gross Award for Recent Innovations in Nutrition and Health in Developing Societies. Presented by the Hildegard Grunow Foundation, the award honors international nutrition scientists who generate and pursue innovative ideas and projects in nutrition and health in developing societies. See the full story on page 15 of this newsletter.

Fulbright-Fogarty Award in Public Health

Yasmin Ogale, SBI

The award is offered through a partnership between the Fulbright Program and the Fogarty International Center of the US National Institutes of Health. The award was established to promote the expansion of research in public health and clinical research in resource-limited settings.

Bloomberg School Excellence in Teaching Recognition Awards

31 International Health Faculty Receive Excellent Course Ratings in Summer Institute, 1st and 2nd terms of academic year 2018 – 19

Canada Women in Global Health List

Alumna and Associate Faculty Nasreen Jessani and Assistant Scientist Rosemary Morgan were 2 of just over 100 Canadian women included in the first Canadian Women in Global Health List. Published by the Canadian Society for International Health, the List recognizes leaders across academia, government, non-governmental organizations, civil society, and international organizations who have made substantial contributions to global health.