

## NUTRITION AND OBESITY RELATED SEMINARS 10/15/18 – 10/21/18

### Current

#### Epidemiology and Genetics

Monday Nutrition Seminar Series, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, Department of Nutrition  
Monday, October 15, 2018 from 1:00-1:50PM

**“Leveraging federal food policies to support healthy eating in early childhood: the case of the Child and Adult Care Food Program” Dr. Erica Kenney**, Assistant Professor of Public Health Nutrition, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

Location: Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, 677 Huntington Avenue Kresge 502

#### Clinical and Community

Obesity Journal Club, Sponsored by the Enrichment Program of the Boston Nutrition Obesity Research Center  
Tuesday, October 16, 2018 from 12:00-1:00PM A light snack will be served - please bring your own beverage.

**Presenter:** Rachel E. Silver, MPH.

**Article Title:** Psychological effects of belonging to a Facebook weight management group in overweight and obese adults: Results of a randomised controlled trial

**Authors/Journal:** Jane et al. (2018) in *Health and Socio Care in the Community* DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1111/hsc.12584>

If you wish to be added to (or removed from) the Obesity Journal Club listserv, please email [Ariella.Korn@tufts.edu](mailto:Ariella.Korn@tufts.edu) or [Katherine.Rancano@tufts.edu](mailto:Katherine.Rancano@tufts.edu).

Location: M&V 240 Tufts (Health Sciences Campus, 136 Harrison Ave)

#### WebEx Information

Meeting link: <https://tufts.webex.com/tufts/j.php?MTID=mbb65b39d187ca065776889f2d0947047>

Audio connection: +1-617-627-6767

Meeting number (access code): 731 743 193

Meeting password: hYQAe245

Surgery Grand Rounds, Boston University School of Medicine

Friday, October 19, 2018 from 8:00-9:00AM

**"A Beginner's Guide to Health Services Research: From Bariatric Surgery to Mark Bellhorn" Luke M.**

**Funk, MD, MPH, FACS**, Assistant Professor of Surgery; Associate Program Director, Advanced Gastrointestinal Minimally Invasive Surgery Fellowship; Director, Minimally Invasive Surgery Research; University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health

Location: Boston University School of Medicine, 72 East Concord Street, Instructional building, L110

#### Adipose and Metabolic

BIDMC Endocrinology Grand Rounds, The Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Friday, October 19, 2018 from 9:00-10:00AM

**“Uncovering and characterizing neural circuits that mediate feeding behavior” Amber L. Alhadeff, PhD,**

Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Pennsylvania

Location: Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, 330 Brookline Ave, Shapiro 2, Leventhal Conference Room

## Upcoming

### Clinical and Community

Monday Seminar Series, Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts

Monday, October 22, 2018 12:00Noon

**“Oxytocin in human states of over and undernutrition” Elizabeth Lawson, M.D.**, Director, Interdisciplinary Oxytocin Research Program, Massachusetts General Hospital and Assistant Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Location: Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging, 711 Washington Street, Boston

### Cross-Topic

Monday Seminar Series, Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts

Thursday, October 25, 2018 12:00Noon

**“NIH-wide strategic plan on nutrition research” Christopher Lynch, Ph.D.**, Director, Office of Nutrition Research, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health

Location: Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging, 711 Washington Street, Boston

### Adipose and Metabolic

BIDMC Endocrinology Grand Rounds, The Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Friday, October 26, 2018 from 9:00-10:00AM

**“Genetic Dissection of Neuron Metabolism” Dong Kong, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Neuroscience, Department of Neuroscience, Tufts University School of Medicine

Location: Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, 330 Brookline Ave, Shapiro 2, Leventhal Conference Room

### Clinical and Community

WEBINAR: Creating a Discussion Guide for Qualitative Research, Sponsored by Enrichment Program of Boston Nutrition Obesity Research Center

Friday, October 26, 2018 from 12:00-1:00PM

This webinar will give you the tools you need to create an effective discussion guide for focus groups and key informant interviews. You will gain an understanding of how to start from a general research question and develop it into a practical and organized questioning route so that you will get the answers you need. We will cover all phases of development from brainstorming, to phrasing and sequencing questions, to pilot testing. You will learn best practices so that your groups and interviews will be maximally informative. This will be an interactive webinar with multiple opportunities to ask questions of the presenter.

Presenter: Sara C. Folta, PhD

<http://www.bumc.bu.edu/bnorc/seminars-events/webinar-creating-a-discussion-guide-for-qualitative-research/>

### Epidemiology and Genetics

14th Annual Stare-Hegsted Lecture, Department of Nutrition, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

Monday, October 29, 2018 at 4:00-5:30PM - Reception at 5:30PM, FXB Atrium

**“Heart Health Story of North Karelia and Finland: Implications for Global Cardiovascular Disease Prevention and Policy” Pekka Puska, MD, PhD, MPOlSc**, Professor, University of Helsinki and University of Eastern Finland, Finnish Physician and Member of Parliament

Location: Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, 677 Huntington Avenue Kresge G-2

## Adipose and Metabolic

Adipose Seminar Series sponsored by the Adipose Tissue Biology and Nutrient Metabolism Core (ABM) of BNORC

Tuesday, October 30, 2018 from 10:00-11:00AM

**“The Color of Fat: Brown, Beige, White and more”** Singo Kajimura, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Cell and Tissue Biology, University of California San Francisco

Location: BUMC, EBRC Building, 650 Albany Street, 7th Floor, Room 714

### BNORC Core Funding Opportunities

#### BNORC Small Grants Program

Do you need some preliminary data that can be obtained using one of our cores for a grant application? The BNORC Small Grants Program provides funds up to \$3,000 (direct costs only). The timeline from application to award is 1-2 weeks. To-date, the funding rate of this program for eligible requests has been 100%. Please visit the website for program details and eligibility information.

<http://www.bumc.bu.edu/bnorc/links-and-resources/bnorc-small-grants-program/>

### Degree Program

#### Earn a Harvard MPH in Nutrition

Acquire skills in nutrition practice, policy, and communication along with foundational knowledge in nutritional science, epidemiology, and public health. The Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health now offers a Master of Public Health degree that explores the role nutrition plays in the health and well-being of the worlds' populations from a variety of vantage points; recognizing the vast array of influences on diet, nutrition, and health—including environmental, socioeconomic, political, and cultural factors.

Core coursework emphasizes methodological strategies to develop, analyze, and evaluate interventions, programs, and policies typically used in public health nutrition. Students may also choose from a variety of electives tailored to personal career goals and interests such as nutrition policy, health disparities, nutrition epidemiology, global health, social and behavioral sciences, and sustainability.

The 65-credit program is 1.5 years (3 semesters) in length, beginning in September and ending in December of the following year. The summer session features a unique practicum experience allowing students to create a project with real-world application.

Visit [hsph.harvard.edu/nutrition/mph](https://hsph.harvard.edu/nutrition/mph) for more details, or contact Stefanie Dean, Academic Coordinator with questions at [sdean@hsph.harvard.edu](mailto:sdean@hsph.harvard.edu).

### Positions Available

#### Assistant or Associate Professor of Integrative Genomic Epidemiology

The Department of Nutrition at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health invites applications from candidates for a tenure-track position as assistant/associate professor with a focus on integrative genomic epidemiology. This position will hold a primary appointment in the Department of Nutrition and a secondary appointment in the Department of Epidemiology.

The Department of Nutrition is committed to expanding multi-/trans-disciplinary studies of complex diseases and pressing public health problems using the latest methods and technologies. We are also committed to training students in the skills needed to conduct cutting-edge research in our increasingly interdisciplinary and changing fields.

The successful candidate will have the opportunity to develop independent and collaborative research projects combining existing and planned genomic and epidemiological data resources, potentially leveraging well-established cohorts such as the Nurses' Health Study and Health Professionals Follow-Up Study. These resources include, but are not limited to: genetic and genomic data; metabolomic data; microbiome data; longitudinal data on nutritional, lifestyle, anthropometric, and social factors; and incidence data on a broad range of complex diseases, including diabetes, heart disease and cancer.

The successful candidate will be expected to conduct methodological and/or empirical research in epidemiology and to participate actively in teaching and in the direction of training programs.

The Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health seeks to recruit, develop, promote, and retain the world's best scholars. We are committed to upholding the values of diversity, equity, and inclusion in our hiring and promotion processes. Women and individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic minority groups are strongly encouraged to apply.

Harvard University seeks to find, develop, promote, and retain the world's best scholars. Harvard is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Applications from women and minority candidates are strongly encouraged.

Information on resources for career development and work/life balance at HSPH can be found at:  
<http://hsph.me/resources-career-development-and-work-life-balance>

Candidates should hold a doctoral degree in epidemiology or related field (including biostatistics and bioinformatics, among others). Publication record can be in epidemiology or a closely related field. The successful candidate will have demonstrated excellence in research and teaching.

Inquiries about this position are welcome and should be directed to attention of Patrice Brown ([pbrown@hsph.harvard.edu](mailto:pbrown@hsph.harvard.edu)).

We are an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

Applicants can access more information regarding the position and apply using the link below:

<http://academicpositions.harvard.edu/postings/8319>

### **Faculty Position in Nutrition in Obesity and Diabetes**

**The Gerald J. and Dorothy R. Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy | Tufts University  
Open Rank / Assistant, Associate or Full Professor  
Tenure-Track or Tenured Research & Teaching Appointment**

Department Website [CLICK HERE](#)

To apply [CLICK HERE](#)

### **Faculty Position in Behavioral Interventions**

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### **Associate Director for the East Carolina Diabetes & Obesity Institute (ECDOI)**

East Carolina University is recruiting an Associate Director for the East Carolina Diabetes & Obesity Institute (ECDOI) with a strong record of productivity and leadership in **community intervention research** in diabetes/obesity prevention and/or treatment. The following is a link to the ad in Science Careers.

<https://jobs.sciencecareers.org/job/473515/associate-director-community-intervention-diabetes-obesity-research/>

ECU's commitment to growth in this area of research is part of an exciting university wide effort entitled [ECU's Rural Prosperity Initiative](#).

### **Division of Women's Health and Department of Psychiatry Brigham and Women's Hospital | Harvard Medical School Postdoctoral Fellowship**

The Holsen Lab in the Division of Women's Health and Department of Psychiatry at Brigham and Women's Hospital/Harvard Medical School is seeking a full-time Postdoctoral Fellow to contribute to our work in clinical neuroscience related to reward processing, hormones, and appetite phenotypes in depression (PI: Dr. Laura Holsen). The focus of our lab is on understanding factors that drive appetite, mood-related eating behaviors, and weight change, with a broad goal of ameliorating negative health outcomes and chronic diseases associated with disordered eating. Successful applicants will have completed a Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. (post residency) in neuroscience (affective, nutritional, or cognitive), psychology, or a related discipline. Qualified applicants must have experience working with clinical populations (individuals with disordered eating; psychiatric disorders), a solid foundation in conducting fMRI studies, and a strong publication record of first-author research papers that includes neuroimaging studies. We are looking for candidates with strong technical skills, including competence in task implementation, pre-processing, and analyzing fMRI data (task-related and resting-state functional connectivity), and with expertise and coding ability in relevant analysis software (SPM, CONN, Matlab, and UNIX/Linux environments). Excellent verbal and written communication skills and an aptitude for writing manuscripts and grant applications are essential. The successful applicant will have the ability to work both within a team and independently, managing several projects simultaneously and training/mentoring research assistants. We are looking for highly motivated, self-driven, creative, and interactive scientists. Interested candidates should send a cover letter, CV, statement of past research experience and long-term career goals, and three letters of references (sent in confidence) to Dr. Laura Holsen: [lholsen@bwh.harvard.edu](mailto:lholsen@bwh.harvard.edu).

### **Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism University of Pittsburgh MD, MD/PhD, or PhD Scientists**

The Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism at the University of Pittsburgh seeks MD, MD/PhD, or PhD scientists for full-time, tenure stream, academic faculty positions (Assistant to Full Professor) in the fields of obesity, diabetes, metabolism, nutrition, and/or metabolic disease prevention. All types of research in these areas will be considered (basic, translational, clinical, epidemiological, health outcomes). Physician scientist and candidates with cross/multidisciplinary research programs are particularly desirable. Successful candidates will have a history of academic research scholarship, a strong publication record, and a demonstrated capacity to secure external research funding. Interested candidates should send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three references to Erin E. Kershaw, MD, Chief of Endocrinology, care of Chelsea Dempsey (email: [cad183@pitt.edu](mailto:cad183@pitt.edu)). *EEO/AA/M/F/Vets/Disabled.*

### **UAB | University of Alabama at Birmingham Seeking Post-Docs and/or Statistician for Obesity-Related Research**

**Post-Doctoral Fellows in Obesity Related Research.** Supported by existing T32 Obesity program and through a new Obesity Network Grant from the AHA.

**A Statistician to be Appointed as a Staff Scientist.** Seeking a post-doctoral fellow or staff scientist with strong statistical and collaborative skills to join the Office of Energetics.

<http://www.bumc.bu.edu/bnorc/links-and-resources/positions-available/>

### **P30DK046200**

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This list of seminars and items of interest to the nutrition and obesity community is distributed weekly by the Boston Nutrition Obesity Research Center. This list is also posted at <http://www.bumc.bu.edu/bnorc/seminars-events/>. Times and dates are subject to change. ***If you would like your seminar included in this weekly communication, please send the relevant information by email to: [dgibson@bu.edu](mailto:dgibson@bu.edu).***



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