SPHHS Dean’s All-School Meeting

Friday December 10th 2021

3:00-4:00PM
AGENDA

- Welcome from the Dean
- SPHHS Budget Presentation - Chris Greenfield
- Student Accommodations, Welcome Carol Barr, Senior Vice Provost
- Enhancing Student Communication (Mary Ellen Liseno and Patrick Freeman)
  - Development of Weekly Newsletter
  - Classroom Announcements (Guidelines for showing PPT slides)
- Public Interest Technology, Ethics, and Health – Welcome Dr. Fran Berman (CICS)
Welcome Carol Barr, Senior Vice Provost
Student Accommodations
FY22 Finance and Budget Review/Update

- GOF, CEI, RTF Review
- GOF and All Funds Budget Guidance
- Next Year GOF Budget and Carry Over
- Summary and Take Away
Patrick Freeman and Mary Ellen Liseno

Strategies for Enhancing Student Communications:

• The Week Ahead (Development of Weekly Newsletter)
• Classroom Announcements (Guidelines for showing PPT slides)
1. Which option would you be willing to do? (select all that apply)
   - Make an in-class announcement.
   - Show pre-class slides.
   - Post slides on Moodle or Blackboard.
   - None of the above.

2. How would you prefer to have slides delivered to you?
   - Email
   - Google Drive
   - Microsoft OneDrive
   - Doesn’t matter.

3. How frequently would you be willing to share classroom slides?
   - Weekly
   - Bi-weekly
   - Monthly
   - Not willing to share slides
Public Interest Technology @ SPHHS

- Dr. Fran Berman
- Director of Public Interest Technology
- Stuart Rice Honorary Research Professor
- UMass Amherst
- Faculty Associate, Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society
- Harvard University
Students are hungry for knowledge that prepares them to be socially responsible in a tech-powered world.
What is Public Interest Technology?

• Broadly defined, **public interest technology (PIT)** focuses on socially responsible solutions to today’s challenges in a technology-driven world.

• The goal of building a meaningful PIT initiative at UMass is to
  
  • **provide additional value** to the research, education, practice, and outreach efforts of Schools and Colleges across UMass Amherst, and
  
  • **make UMass Amherst a leader and a destination** for students, faculty, partners, funders, and others focused on 21st century challenges and solutions
Public Interest Technology @ UMass is an all-campus initiative to build skills and knowledge to address social, science, and community problems in a tech-enabled world

**Initiative Components:**

- **Teaching:** Multi-disciplinary curricula, tracks and concentrations, certificates, flexible learning options
- **Research:** “T-shaped” research – socially responsible, tech-driven solutions to domain and inter-disciplinary challenges
- **Practice and Outreach:** experiential learning, fellowships and internships, community engagement
Public Interest Technology @ SPHHS

- Coursework and modules. Opportunities for team teaching with CICS, SBS, SPP, ENG, etc.
- Certificates, interdisciplinary areas of concentration
- Training

What SPHHS efforts are synergistic with PIT?

Are there new courses, proposals or projects to consider for 2022+

- How do we gather relevant data and develop accurate COVID/disease models?
- What are the ethical issues involving the use of data and information technologies in health?
- How should health apps and data on Fitbits, iPhones and other devices be regulated?
- Etc.

- Symposia, internships, clinics, bootcamps, engagement with the community
Next Steps for PIT@SPHHS: **Fellow travelers wanted!**

- We’d love to engage SPHHS faculty and leaders
  - whose work, teaching or service is aligned with PIT
  - who would like to develop courses, events, experiential activities, certificates, research projects in PIT
  - who would like to build PIT@SPHHS and work across campus with others to plan and build PIT@UMass

- Please contact fberman@umass.edu
Ambitious Goals

- Synergize and create meaningful educational offerings and research opportunities at UMass Amherst
- Make PIT@UMass an exemplar and a destination for students and faculty looking to do socially responsible, tech-enabled work
- Build the nascent field of PIT

Fall ‘21

- **Landscape survey** of PIT at UMass Colleges and Schools, building a cross-campus
- Begin to **build a community** of PIT fellow travelers
- Apply for UMass Amherst to join the Public Interest Technology University Network
- Plan and develop **PIT@UMass** with the website as an organizing vehicle

Spring ‘22

- Convene cross-campus PIT fellow travelers
- SPHHS/CICS/Libraries seminar (**input needed!**)
- Plan / develop first **new UMass intra- and inter-School/College efforts**
  - Proposals
  - Projects
  - Certificates
  - Courses
  - Events
  - Experiential activities
- Plan campus, funder, and institutional workshops to foster PIT partner community
Dean Anna Maria Siega-Riz invites SPHHS Faculty, Staff and Students to a

~Holiday Breakfast~

Tuesday, December 14th

8:30-9:30AM
Totman Foyer
(hot breakfast items to select from with a to-go option)
Thank you.
Questions? csimos@umass.edu