President’s Perspective

As the IHP welcomes 2020 with new graduates and new students, President Milone-Nuzzo is hopeful this is the year the country’s broken health care system can begin to be fixed.

Tagliareni, Knab Are Appointed

Provost Alex Johnson has announced the appointment of two faculty members to key academic positions at the Institute.

Dr. Elaine Tagliareni, who has been Interim Dean of the School of Nursing since August 2019, has been named Dean through the 2020-2021 academic year.

Dr. Mary Knab, who since January 2019 has served as Interim Associate Provost for Interprofessional Education and Practice (IPE/P), has been named Associate Provost for IPE/P through June 2022.

Helping During the Holidays

Thanks to the generosity of the IHP community, the annual Holiday Party on December 18 raised $2,806 to support the Center for Youth Wellness at Harvard-Kent Elementary School. The more than 300 employees, spouses, partners, and significant others who attended also contributed toys, games, and other items that will be distributed to the public school. In addition, students, faculty, and staff assisted charities and nonprofits during the 2019 holiday season to help those in need.

Opportunity Drawing

The annual Opportunity Drawing runs throughout January, with prizes drawn each weekday. All proceeds will go toward supporting the Center for Youth Wellness at Harvard-Kent Elementary School. Contact Joanna Duggan in the President’s Office to purchase tickets, and check out the calendar of prizes.
Students Mark End of Semester

Several student groups and organizations took time before the holiday break to celebrate a successful semester. Minorities Engaged in Dialogue and Service (MEDS) held a lunchtime board game event, KinsIHP had an Ugly Sweater Party, the Physician Assistant Student Society (PASS) held a secret snowflake event, and the National Student Speech Language Hearing Association (NSSLHA) and first-year Master of Science in Nursing students also held get-togethers. The Office of Student and Alumni Services also marked the semester’s end with an event held at Brooklyn Boulders for student leaders. Co-sponsored by the newly recognized Ascend club, student leaders took rock climbing lessons and enjoyed time to connect with each other. In addition, the IHP Musicians (above) held their annual holiday concert at Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital in Charlestown. Held in the first-floor cafeteria, the concert was open to all patients, families, and staff.

A Little Paws From Finals With Furry Friends

Therapy dogs once again were a big hit with students as they prepared for finals in December before departing campus for winter break. The Student Study Breaks, cosponsored by the Office of Student and Alumni Services (OSAS), the Bellack Library, and the Academic Support Counselors, included coloring, games, word puzzles, jigsaw puzzles, arts and crafts, a Nap Nook, sweets during National Cookie Day—and counteracting the sugar buzz during the rest of finals with healthy snacks.

Photo: OTD ’22 students Meghan Costello, Emma Larson, Hannah Levine with Duncan the therapy dog while owner Shaelah Reidy (far left) looks on.

Visitors Complete Campus Stay Before Returning to China

Before returning to China in late December, four visiting scholars presented to the IHP community what they had learned during their stay in Boston. Haili Tang (OT), Man Luo (PT), and Shulan Lin (Nursing student) had spent three months observing classes and IPC activities. Renhong He (physician) had spent six months engaged in research under the mentorship of Professor Teresa Kimberley (PT). Assistant Professor John Wong (Nursing) will be taking five IHP students to Shenzhen, China in January to visit some of the visiting scholars. The scholars are shown with President Paula Milone-Nuzzo and IHP faculty and staff.
Interprofessional Education


Nursing


Physical Therapy


Teresa Kimberley was a panelist on the Special Emphasis panel for the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) Medical Rehabilitation Research Resource. November 2019.

Kimberley, T.J. How neuroimaging and neuromodulation can inform your rehabilitation plan now. 40th Annual Neurorehabilitation Conference on Traumatic Brain Injury, Stroke and Other Neurological Disorders. Cambridge, MA. November 2019.

Students in the Class of 2020 who are interested in being the student speaker at Commencement 2020 can learn more at an information session on Wednesday, January 15, 2020, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in Room 150 at the Student and Alumni Center in Building 39. A committee of faculty and staff and a representative from the Student Government Association will review all applications and conduct interviews in determining the speaker. The application deadline is February 10, 2020. Contact Dr. Jack Gormley if you have any questions.

New Employees

Elizabeth (Betsy) Cox
Associate Director of Continuing and Professional Development
Assistant Professor
Center for Interprofessional Studies and Innovation

Roksolana Starodub
Assistant Professor
School of Nursing

Emergency Notification System
With winter here, students, faculty, and staff should register to be included in the Emergency Notification System used to communicate information during emergency situations, including weather closings. In addition to the email notifications, you can also receive messages via a landline, cell phone, texts, and/or an alternative email address. To add or update your preferences, logon to iOnline (password required) and select the “Address Change” option. Contact the IHP Help Desk with any questions.

Shop and Support the IHP

The holidays may be over, but you can still support the IHP all year long by shopping with AmazonSmile. Just sign into your Amazon or Amazon Prime account and the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.05% of the proceeds from your qualifying purchases to the IHP. Contact Christopher Bjork in the Office of Development for more information.

Calendar

1/8–1/9: New BSN Student Orientation
1/10: Official Graduation Date for January 2020 Graduates
1/13: First Day of Classes
1/15: Ann W. Caldwell President’s Lecture: Interprofessional Rounds (for second-year students) “Optimizing Care for People Experiencing Homelessness” 5:30–7:00 p.m., Assembly Row, Somerville
1/19: Registration/Add Deadline – Spring 2020
1/20: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Offices Closed

Institute Input

Please submit suggestions or comments about any issue at the IHP to President Milone-Nuzzo's online suggestion box, Institute Input.

Feedback, Tips, Ideas, Etc.

If you have any news, tips, or ideas for the Yardarm, please fill out a Communications ticket and email Yardarm editor John Shaw with any
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