HRSA Faculty Development Grant Team

The Health Resources and Services Administration Faculty Development Grant Team is gathering baseline data relative to faculty needs. At the request of several chairs, they are also looking at resident teaching in the advanced graduate education programs.

Both Drs. Catalanotto and Behar-Horenstein have been meeting with faculty across the college including the Curriculum Committee, Dean’s Advisory Council, Faculty Development Curriculum Committee, Faculty Assembly, and New Faculty Orientation, showcasing what the grant provides for faculty. In addition, the team is developing training to enhance faculty skills in cultural competency, to address the issues in access and disparity as well as in tobacco cessation. They are currently planning to bring experts in PBL and case-based learning to provide training.

It is the team’s fervent hope the faculty development activities will have a ripple effect on student learning and outcomes. The HRSA Faculty Development Grant Team looks forward to hearing from faculty who have ideas for promoting their own research agenda in education and from others who would like to develop new studies.

New Format of the NERB Licensure Examination

This year UFCD will be using the Curriculum Integrated Format (CIF) of the North Eastern Regional Board (NERB) licensure exam. The NERB consists of two parts, mannequin and patient, which used to be completed in the same weekend. The new CIF format separates the two parts so the mannequin is performed in December and the patient in May. However, this new format is only available to UFCD students. All outside UFCD will be taking the traditional method of both parts in the same weekend. To assist our students, Clinical Exam Two has been split into two parts to take place with the coinciding portion of the CIF.

Getting in to the Halloween Spirit, ARRRRGH!

This Halloween, two pirates, (left) Christina Haskins and (right) Censeri Abare, stormed the Office of Education and took the #1 Gator Fan, Dr. Venita Sposetti, hostage. Their ransom was two gold crowns and a prime tailgate spot for Homecoming. The Gator Fan was released from her captors when an angry mob of students demanded the #1 Gator Fan’s freedom. When asked for comment the pirates only had this to say, “Gargh!”