

The Office of Research & Sponsored Programs



Research at The University of Scranton: **Spring 2017**

RESEARCH RECHARGED

The Faculty/Student Research Program (FSRP) offers students an opportunity to be involved in faculty research activities. Collaborative efforts of the faculty and students create an environment in which students can conduct research, develop research skills, and apply knowledge gained in coursework.

Is your department promoting FSRP to students?

Contact ORSP for more information about FSRP.

FSRP students by program:

	<i>Academic Year</i>		
	2016	2015	2014
Accounting	0	1	1
Biochemistry	0	1	2
BCMB	16	11	5
Biology	26	17	13
Biophysics	0	2	0
Business Admin	1	1	0
Clinical Chemistry	0	0	1
Chemistry	2	0	1
Community Health Education	2	1	3
Economics	1	0	0
English	0	3	1
Environmental Science	0	0	1
Exercise Science	5	1	0
Health Admin	1	1	0
History	0	2	0
International Studies	1	1	0
Marketing	0	1	2
Neurobiology	14	27	12
Nursing	5	3	1
Philosophy	0	0	1
Psychology	20	14	17
Secondary Education	0	1	0
Strategic Communication	1	0	0
Theology/Religious Studies	0	2	0
TOTAL	95	90	61

Student Scholars Celebration

The University of Scranton will hold its 17th Annual Celebration of Student Scholars on **Thursday, May 11, 2017**.

This event will celebrate both undergraduate and graduate student research through the display of posters.

Posters will be displayed in the LSC Atrium

A reception dinner (at which we celebrate these accomplishments) will be held following the event for participants and their faculty mentors.

ORSP Spring Events:

(all dates/locations tentative until announced by ORSP)

02/15/17: ORSP Speed Networking Event (TDC405)

02/17/17: RSS, Darwin Day* (TDC405)

02/23/17: ORSP IRB Workshop (TDC407A)

03/03/17: RSS, Dr. Jeffrey Welsh, History (LSC233)

03/22/17: ORSP Early Investigators Workshop (BRN502)

03/24/17: RSS, Prof. Aiala Levy, History (BRN 509)

04/07/17: RSS, Dr. Christian Krokus, Theology (TDC405)

04/21/17: RSS, Earth Day** (LSC233)

04/21/17: AAPT CPS Conference, Dr. Matthew Farrar from Messiah College (7:30 p.m. LSC 133)

04/28/17: RSS, Dr. Bryan Burnham, Psychology (LSC233)

05/05/17: RSS, Dr. Jessica Bachman, Exercise Sci. (LSC233)

05/11/17: Student Scholars Celebration—LSC Atrium

RSS is the Research Seminar Series—held 3:10-4:30 p.m.

**Organized by Dr. Janice Voltzow, Biology*

***Organized by Dr. Jessica Nolan, Psychology*

Aram Balagyozyan, D. Phil.

RESEARCH SPOTLIGHT

Dr. Aram Balagyozyan, is an Assistant Professor of Economics at Kania School of Management. He received a Ph.D. in Financial Economics from The City University of New York and earned his Bachelor's Degree in Economics from Yerevan State University, Armenia. Prior to joining the Kania School of Management in 2011, Dr. Balagyozyan spent a year as a visiting assistant professor at Trinity College (Hartford, CT) and two years as an assistant professor of economics at the College of Staten Island (the City University of New York). Between 2006 and 2008, professor Balagyozyan worked as a research associate at New York State Banking Department.

Dr. Balagyozyan's research is dedicated to drawing connections between aggregate economic phenomena and individual decision-making. He is interested in what can be learned about individual decision-making from market-wide phenomena and, conversely, what can be learned about market-wide phenomena from human psychological traits. Three papers that he recently co-authored look for evidence of investor herd behavior in market data. Investor herding -- a tendency of blindly following other investors' strategies -- has a destabilizing effect on asset prices and may lead to asset bubbles and crashes. One of the main findings of this research is that investors tend to herd more in rising than declining markets. He also finds that inexperienced investors tend to herd more than sophisticated investors. Two other papers that Dr. Balagyozyan co-authored explore whether the human tendency of making fuzzy predictions and decisions may be responsible for certain unexplained macroeconomic phenomena.

Dr. Balagyozyan greatly enjoys teaching and since joining the Kania School of Management has taught several subjects, including Principles of Micro- and Macroeconomics, Money and Financial Economics, Statistics for Economists, and Applied Econometrics. In 2016, he received the 2015-2016 Kania Professor of the Year award.



GrantSelect is an online database of funding opportunities such as grants (for programs, projects, planning, start-up, endowments, technical assistance, facilities and equipment, etc.), awards, and fellowships for example.

Funding opportunities range from pure research grants to arts programs, biomedical and health care research, community services programs, children and youth programs, K-12 education funding, international programs, and operating grants for nonprofit organizations.

Sponsoring organizations include federal government agencies (including NIH, NSF, and many others), foundations and other nonprofit organizations, corporations and corporate foundations, research institutes, state agencies, and universities.

ORSP has purchased a site-wide license to GrantSelect for ALL faculty and staff.

Faculty and staff can now access GrantSelect from campus workstations to begin the search for funding opportunities. To get started login to GrantSelect at:

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