2017-2018 Schedule

Location: Aging Center Conference Room, Duke South, Room 3512 [except where noted below]
Time: 3:30-4:30
Day: 4th Wednesday of each month [except where noted below]

2017 Schedule of Research Seminars

Jan 25
Dan G. Blazer, M.D., Ph.D.
J.P. Gibbons Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Duke University
Title: Bringing the Soul Back into Psychiatry

Feb 22
Patty Van Cappellen, Ph.D.
Research Assistant Professor
Duke University Medical Center
Title: The Biology of Spirituality: Effects of Oxytocin Administration and Genotype, Part II

March 29
Peter Boelens, M.D.
Ramiro Salas, Ph.D. (Baylor College of Medicine, Houston)
Philip R. Baldwin, Ph.D. (Baylor College of Medicine, Houston)
Title: Healing prayers affecting neuronal functioning in adults with depression and childhood toxic stress: A new therapeutic approach

April 26
John Gravino
Author, “The Immoral Landscape [of the New Atheism]”
Title: Does Religion Really Poison Everything? A Critical Review of New Atheist Perspectives on Religion

May 31
Madhu Sharma
Hindu chaplain, Duke University
Title: Vedic spiritual teachings – A way to enhance resilience and mental/physical well-being in young adults

June 28
Harold G. Koenig, M.D.
Professor, Duke Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences
Title: Buddhist Beliefs/Practices and Mental Health
July 19 [Learning Lab 1502 Blue Zone]
Maureen E. Lyon, Ph.D., ABPP
Research Professor in Pediatrics
Dept. of Adolescent and Young Adult Medicine/
Center for Translational Science/Children’s Research Institute
Children’s National, Washington DC
Title: Association of End of Life Treatment Preferences and Quality of Life with Spiritual Beliefs and Religion among Adolescents Infected with HIV/AIDS Participating in FAmily CEentered (FACE) Advance Care Planning

Aug 30
Jennifer Rioux, Ph.D. (medical/cultural anthropologist)
National Ayurvedic Medical Association
Title: Invoking the Spiritual in Self-Care for Prevention, Health Promotion and Increased Resilience

Sept 20 [Learning Lab 1502 Blue Zone]
Azleena Salleh Azhar
Muslim chaplain
Title: Islam and health

Oct 25
Jeff Levin, Ph.D., M.P.H.
University Professor of Epidemiology and Population Health, and Professor of Medical Humanities
Baylor University, Waco, TX
Title: Energy healers: Who they are, what they do

Nov 29
Patrick Sweeney, Ph.D.
Director of Leadership, Character, and Business Ethics, Wake Forest University School of Business
Former Deputy and Acting Head of the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership at U.S. Military Academy at West Point
Title: Research on spirituality in the U.S. military

Dec 20 [Learning Lab 1502 Blue Zone]
Carol Weingarten, M.D., Ph.D.
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Duke Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences
Title: Buddhism and health: Part II
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Jan 31
John P. Oliver, DMin
Chief of Chaplains, Durham VA Medical Center
Title: The church’s role in supporting Veterans with PTSD

Feb 28
Tyler VanderWeele, Ph.D. (via Skype)
Professor of Biostatistics, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
Title: Associations between religious service attendance and mortality, depression and suicide: Is it casual? What are the mechanisms?

Mar 28
U.S. Congressman David Price
Title: How to frame grant applications, particularly in the area of Spirituality and Health

Apr 25
Keisha-Gaye N. O’Garo, Psy.D., ABPP
Assistant Professor, Duke Department of Psychiatry
Title: Spiritually-Integrated Cognitive Processing Therapy for moral injury in PTSD

May 23
Timothy Holmes OTD, OTR/L
Clinical Specialist, UNC Hospitals Rehabilitation Services
Title: Spirituality and health in occupational therapy practice

June 27
TBA

July 25
TBA

Aug 29
Rabbi Daniel Greyber, author of Faith Unravels: A Rabbi’s Struggle with Grief and God
Title: The challenges of mourning for those in the care giving professions

Sept 26
Clyde T. Angel, DMin., BCC, LPC, VHA-CM
Chief, Chaplain Service
National Coordinator for the Warrior to Soul Mate Program
Title: “Search For Meaning” group process addressing moral wounding related to trauma
Oct 31
Nathan Boucher, DrPH, PA-C
Senior Fellow, Center for Aging
Durham VA GRECC
Title: Spirituality and health in Veterans with PTSD

Nov 28
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Dec 19
TBA