

Awards and Recognition

Congratulations to our Faculty!

UMass Medical School
Chancellor's Medal
for Distinguished
Teaching

Mai-Lan A. Rogoff, MD



Mai-Lan Rogoff, MD, professor of psychiatry, received the **Chancellor's Medal for Distinguished Teaching** at the annual medical school convocation ceremony on September 12th. As recipient of this most prestigious award, Dr. Rogoff will receive the Manning Prize for Excellence in Teaching, a \$10,000 gift made possible through the generosity of Donna and Robert J. Manning, chairman of the UMass Board of Trustees. To access the UMass Med Now article click [here](#).



Congratulations to **Marsha Ellison**, Ph.D. for her success in partnering with the Council on State Governments and the K. Lisa Yang and Hock E. Tan Institute on Employment and Disability at Cornell University, to secure a **\$4 million four-year cooperative agreement** to operate a policy development center focused on youth with disabilities, funded by the U.S. Department of Labor. Please see the Transitions ACR [website](#) for more information on the award!



Brian Skehan, MD, PhD Receives Award and Recognition

The Jerry Durbin Humanism Award is presented by the graduating pediatric and med/peds residents to a member of the UMass family who demonstrates exemplary humanistic qualities, fosters a sense of community and works for social justice.

The University of Massachusetts Pediatric Residency Program inducted Dr. Brian Skehan into the **2019 Clinical Educator Honor Roll** by vote of the Pediatric and Med/Peds Residents in recognition of his commitment to teaching excellence.

Dr. Brian Skehan was selected by Dean Flotte to be a **Schwartz Center Compassion Mentor!** Dr. Skehan will be paired with a student selected to participate in the Scholars Program. His role will be to meet with the student throughout the year, offer advice, and support the student's project.



Rangsun Sitthichai, MD selected as a **recipient of AACAP's Psychodynamic Faculty Training and Mentorship Initiative**. The American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry's (AACAP) Psychodynamic Faculty Training and Mentorship Initiative seeks to strengthen psychodynamic psychotherapy training in child and adolescent psychiatry residency programs through faculty development. Over the course of the one-year award term, each awardee will collaborate with an assigned mentor to create a project within his/her educational program designed to enhance the psychodynamic training experience at his/her institution. The project offers an opportunity to address a problem or specific need at his/her institution.



Tiffany A. Moore Simas, MD, MPH, MEd, has been named a **fellow of the Hedwig van Ameringen Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine (ELAM) Program for Women** at Drexel University College of Medicine in Philadelphia. Read more in [UMass Med NOW](#).



Ashley Hart, PhD and Auraly Padilla Candelario, MD among 28 members of the **Junior Faculty Development Program Class of 2019!**. The 28 members of the Junior Faculty Development Program Class of 2019 were honored for their achievements during a graduation ceremony at UMass Medical School. The celebration recognized completion of the year-long program as well as progress on individual projects under the

guidance of senior faculty mentors, who were also recognized at the event. Read more in [UMass Med NOW](#).



Xiaoduo Fan, MD, MPH appointed to PCORI advisory panel on health care delivery and disparities research. Dr. Fan will compare two psychosocial interventions that can result in meaningful improvement for persons with schizophrenia and related illnesses as a member of a PCORI Advisory Panel for Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research. Read more in [UMass Med NOW](#).