

# SDM Shout Out

Weekly News Updates for SDM Faculty, Staff and Students

## UB IPE Leadership Team Recognized by National Academies of Practice



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We are pleased to share with you that the **UB IPE Leadership Team** has been recognized as the recipient of the **2022 Interprofessional Group Recognition Award** by the **National Academies of Practice (NAP)**.

The NAP Interprofessional Group Recognition Award is given to groups who have made enduring contributions to interprofessional practice and education.

Founded in 1981, the NAP is a non-profit organization that offers advice to governmental bodies on our healthcare system. Distinguished practitioners and scholars are elected by their peers from

multiple different health professions to join the only interprofessional group of healthcare practitioners and scholars dedicated to supporting affordable, accessible, coordinated quality healthcare for all.

SDM's Dr. Joseph Gambacorta, Associate Dean for Academic and Faculty Affairs and James M. Harris, Assistant Dean for Administrative Operations, are active members of the UB IPE Leadership Team. Dr. Donald Antonson, previous Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, was a founding member of the UB IPE Leadership Team.

For the past five years, the IPE Leadership team has endeavored to prepare highly competent healthcare professionals who improve health outcomes by excelling in interprofessional communication, teamwork, and the provision of safe, ethical patient- and population-centered care.

"The members of the IPE Leadership Team develop, implement, and assess our IPE Program. Not only are they active in the education mission of our program, but they are active in advancing the field of interprofessional education through their research and national presentations," states Dr. Patricia J. Ohtake, Assistant Vice President for Interprofessional Education. "This team of talented senior faculty are truly deserving of this national recognition."

### **UB IPE Leadership accomplishments over the past 5 years:**

**Education:** The UB IPE Program provides interprofessional education to over 2,500 students annually in 15 programs across 8 schools.

- Programs - Athletic Training, Audiology, Counseling Psychology, Dental Medicine, Dietetics, Healthcare Management, Medicine, Nursing, Nurse Practitioner, Occupational Therapy, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Public Health, Social Work, and Speech Language Pathology
- Schools - Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences; Schools of Dental Medicine, Management, Nursing, Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Public Health and Health Professions, and Social Work; Graduate School of Education
- Developed the Interprofessional Collaborative Practice Micro-credential Program comprised of three digital badges. This is the largest micro-credential program at UB

**Research:** Over the past 5 years, the UB IPE Leadership Team has advanced the field of interprofessional education and practice through their research, including:

- Participation in 14 interprofessional education and collaborative practice grants totaling over \$13M
- Publication of 26 peer-reviewed articles
- Making 55 presentations at national and international meetings

**Awards:** Since 2016, the UB IPE Leadership Team has been recognized with 13 awards for their teaching, research, and service - a testament to the high caliber of the individuals serving on our Team.

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