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- Proposed FY to Date: \$6,433,166 — 22 proposals
- Funded FY to date: \$537,989 — 17 projects

## What's New

**Congratulations to Professor and Associate Dean Thomas Wan**, author of a winning proposal that allows UCF to participate in an unprecedented \$54 million study of environmental and genetic effects on children's health.

<http://media.www.centralfloridafuture.com/media/storage/paper174/news/2008/10/13/News/Ucf-Joins.National.Study-3482797.shtml>

**IT Applications: Virtual Reality in Research** Kudos to Communication Sciences and Disorders for hosting the second session of the Fall Brown Bag Series. More than 20 enthusiastic attendees

## Save the Date

October 23rd  
**Fifth Annual Health and Public Affairs Research Conference**  
8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,  
*FAIRWINDS* Alumni Center  
This daylong conference is hosted by the college's Doctoral Program in Public Affairs and Center for

participated in the presentation by IT gurus and veteran IT users Professor Martine Vanryckeghem and Clinical Instructor Janet Whiteside, both from Communication Sciences and Disorders.

**Evidence-Based Programming** As a result of the first successful Fall Brown Bag, two subgroups are being constituted, one focusing on systematic reviews of the research literature, led by Professor Chad Nye, director of CARD, and the other focusing on issues pertaining to the formation of sustainable academic-community research partnerships, led by

Associate Professor John Bricout from Social Work. Faculty members interested in joining these subgroups should email the leaders in GroupWise.

## In-House Grants

The deadline has passed for submission of In-House Grant proposals. The COHPA Office of Research received five submissions. The COHPA Research Council will review and score each proposal, sending the highest-ranking proposals to the university research council for consideration. Winners will receive awards up to \$7,500 each.

Community Partnerships. For more information, please email [mmlachak@mail.ucf.edu](mailto:mmlachak@mail.ucf.edu).

November 6th  
**Fall Brown Bag**  
12 p.m., Dean's Conference Room  
Criminal Justice and Legal

Studies will host "Assessing Police Use of Force Policy and Outcomes." The topic will be presented by Associate Professor Eugene A. Paoline III. Please email [jcraft@mail.ucf.edu](mailto:jcraft@mail.ucf.edu) to reserve your seat.

