

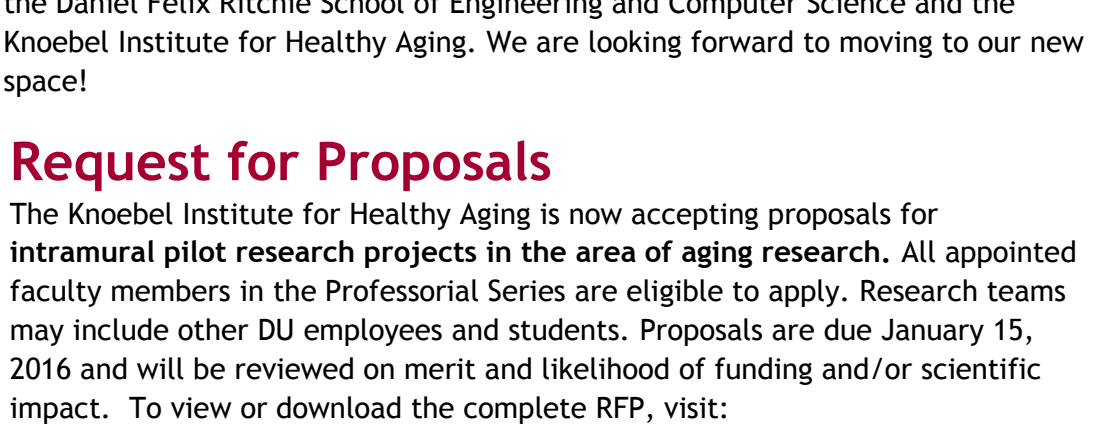


Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year!

We would like to thank DU staff, faculty, students, and our community partners for their commitment, help, and enthusiasm.

About the Knoebel Institute for Healthy Aging

Baby Boomers will affect how we perceive aging and retirement. Innovation technology, research, and services must change to accommodate the growing needs. Combining research with programs in social sciences, ethics, law, business, engineering, hospitality, public policy, and international studies can provide integrated approaches for this increasingly important societal issue. The workforce that will serve this population needs geriatric education. Named in recognition of a \$10 million gift from Betty Knoebel, the Knoebel Institute will act as the umbrella for cooperation and partnerships at DU and in the community. In the summer of 2016, the Institute, including a laboratory hub, will occupy the 5th floor in the \$60 million complex housing the Daniel Felix Ritchie School of Engineering and Computer Science.



New Building Topped with Dome

On December 18, the 60,000-pound dome was placed on top of the future home of the Daniel Felix Ritchie School of Engineering and Computer Science and the Knoebel Institute for Healthy Aging. We are looking forward to moving to our new space!

Request for Proposals

The Knoebel Institute for Healthy Aging is now accepting proposals for intramural pilot research projects in the area of aging research. All appointed faculty members in the Professorial Series are eligible to apply. Research teams may include other DU employees and students. Proposals are due January 15, 2016 and will be reviewed on merit and likelihood of funding and/or scientific impact. To view or download the complete RFP, visit:

<http://portfolio.du.edu/knoebelresearchproposals>.

Brain Rounds: Monthly Lectures in Translational Science

Organizer: Kim Gorgens (Kimberly.Gorgens@du.edu)

Location: Ruffato Hall

January 13, 2016 | Noon-1 pm | Adam Hebb, M.D.

February 10, 2016 | Noon-1 pm | Lotta Granholm, PhD

March 16, 2016 | Noon-1 pm | Michael Pearlman, M.D., PhD

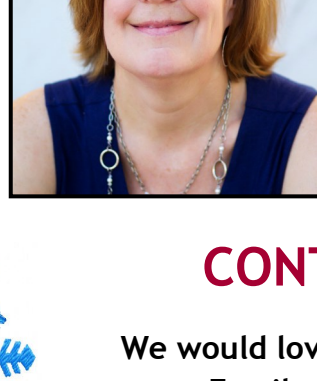
April 18, 2016 | Noon-1 pm | Dan Linesman, PhD

Partnership with Colorado Neurological Institute (CNI)

Colorado Neurological Institute (CNI), a nonprofit neuroscience organization, has been providing research, patient services, and education for persons with neurological conditions and their caregivers since 1988. There are 60 MD, four PhDs, and eight nurse practitioners who are associates of CNI. In September of 2014, CNI approached DU to see if there was a way for CNI to become more involved with DU and to work closely with DU's faculty and staff on research, education, and community service initiatives. This DU-CNI collaboration has resulted in several grants between CNI and DU investigators, one pending patent application, and a steadily increasing group of DU students who are currently in internships with CNI-related clinics. The partnership will be formalized soon with Memorandum of Understanding, and has resulted in Brain Rounds, a cooperative Lecture Series (see above).

Dr. Cynthia McRae, professor at the Morgridge College of Education, is completing a grant from Colorado Neurological Institute entitled *Self-efficacy Learning Program for Recently Diagnosed Parkinson's Patients*. Several graduate students have been involved in entering and analyzing data which will be submitted for an international conference next year. The students include: Riley Cochran, Michelle Dunk, Heather Engblom, Maura Gissen, Po Fai Li, Johni Mitchell, and Melissa Odendahl.

Our Faculty and Staff



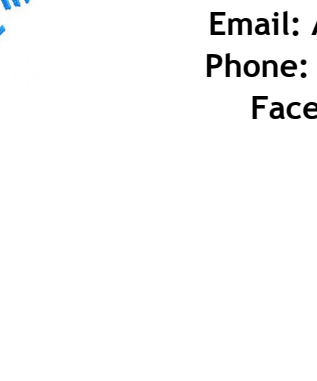
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