1. **Amparo Villablanca, honored for her contributions to WIMHS program** - Please join us in honoring Dr. Villablanca’s contributions to the Women in Medicine and Health Sciences (WIMHS) program on January 11th from 5-7pm in the Education Building 3rd floor breezeway with drinks, appetizers and a special presentation for Dr. Villablanca. The WIMHS program was founded by Drs. Amparo Villablanca and Lydia Howell in 2000. Since the program inception, UC Davis Health Sciences has doubled the percentage of women faculty and garnered National awards and recognition. WIMHS is designed to serve a diverse group of basic scientists, clinicians and health professionals which also includes students and house staff.

*By advancing women in the health sciences, we advance the excellence and diversity that is so vital to achieving our academic mission while fostering a satisfied work force and inclusive culture.*” –Amparo Villablanca, M.D.

Register [here](#) for the event.

2. **Academic Senate Calls for Committee Service in 2018-2019** – The Academic Senate is a crucial partner in the governance of the University. One of the most important ways that faculty can serve the campus is by serving on Academic Senate committees. To be effective, the Academic Senate relies on the advice of balanced committees that represent the diversity of individuals and disciplines across campus. By serving on committees, you not only fulfill your service requirements; you also work alongside colleagues from outside your department, college, and school. You can expect this experience to broaden your view of UC Davis and the University system.

The annual Preference of Service form is available [here](#) (click “Proceed” to login). The form is interactive, permitting you to rank and submit your choices. Please indicate at least your top five preferences for committee service. Last day to submit your preferences for committee service is: Monday, February 5th

3. **Upcoming Mentor Workshops Announcement!**

   Combined Module 1, 2, 4 & 5 Workshop:
Saturday, February 10, 2018, 10am-3pm, Education Building, Room 3102
Module 1: Aligning Expectations and Developing Contracts
Module 2: Maintaining Effective Communication Assessing Understanding
Module 4: Addressing Diversity and Inclusion
Module 5: Promoting Professional Development; Fostering Independence
Each module is an hour.
Register for each module that you wish to attend via Mentoring Academy Workshop webpage.
Lunch will be provided for those who have registered.

4. Clinical and Translational Science Center (CTSC) calls for 2018 Science Café Speakers - The Clinical and Translational Science Center Community Engagement Program is seeking scientists, doctoral graduate students, post-doctoral scholars, and faculty to consider serving as speakers during the 2018 Science Café events. The Science Café speaker series began in August 2016 to provide a casual, safe space for audiences to have conversations with scientists. The aim is to engage the general public in discussions about research, current events, and other aspects of sciences that have current public interest (e.g., the opioid addiction crisis and how to manage it, the spread and dangers of the Zika virus, etc.).

If you are interested in participating please complete this brief online survey to indicate your interest in serving as a speaker or referring a potential speaker for the 2018 Science Café program. The deadline to complete the survey is Tuesday, Jan 16, 2018.