



**2. STRATEGY-RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY: The goal of the Office of Research and Innovation (ORI) is to foster and support research and scholarly activity that will distinguish the School of Osteopathic Medicine by scholarship, innovation, transformation, and collaborative excellence.**

RATIONALE: UIWSOM is committed to preparing socially accountable osteopathic physicians who will work to enhance health equity and address health disparities. This commitment will be reflected through the development of a medical curriculum and related scholarly activity and research agenda founded on principles of social accountability.

**METRICS OF EXCELLENCE:**

1. Established collaborative, interdisciplinary research partnerships.
2. Established programs to train and mentor faculty and students in research and scholarly activity.
3. Established programs to provide financial support of faculty and student research and scholarly activities and improve research infrastructure.

Key Initiatives	Objectives	Timeline
<b>A. Develop areas of scholarly activity and research consistent with the UIWSOM mission.</b>	a. Develop collaborative research that directly benefits local communities, particularly those that experience health disparities, through faculty and student funding with goal of eventual extramural funding in the following target areas: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Osteopathic (OMM, OPP)</li> <li>ii. Population health and community engagement</li> <li>iii. Progression from basic biomedical to translational research and to clinical trials</li> <li>iv. Medical education</li> </ol>	Ongoing
	b. Develop and expand our current interactions with KBR and Areva	Ongoing
<b>B. Education and training for faculty and learners in scholarly activity and research to further the translational educational goals of UIWSOM.</b>	a. Analytical approaches to search databases to support health equity and disparities research.	Ongoing
	b. Construction and analysis of surveys.	Ongoing
	c. Statistical support	Ongoing
	d. Research training to support residents	Ongoing
<b>C. Prioritize improving infrastructure, a priority of the UIW strategic plan.</b>	a. Conduct annual Faculty Needs Assessment to determine, in part, equipment and space needs.	May, 2024
	b. Prepare for asbestos abatement & renovation necessitating move from Bldg. 125 in May, 2025. Develop plan to move equipment, supplies to alternate space to minimally disrupt ongoing studies.	Ongoing



<p><b>D. Continue to develop a research culture at UIWSOM.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Hold Brown Bag lunch for first year students to introduce ORI.</li> <li>b. Hold monthly Chalk and Talk sessions for faculty and students to present their research.</li> <li>c. Organize annual SOM Research Day in mid-late April.</li> <li>d. Continue joint seminar program with UIW School of Math, Science, and Engineering.</li> <li>e. Maintain and administer funding programs for faculty and student seed grants and for student travel.</li> <li>f. Maintain funding program to assist with publication charges.</li> </ul>	<p>Sept. 2024 Ongoing</p> <p>April 23 Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing Ongoing</p>

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