

2015-2016 UCDEA Program Committee Annual Report

This year, the Program Committee in close consultation with the Executive Committee and Retiree Staff produced the following events:

- 1) Brainfood talk on Thursday, October 1, 2015 featuring Dr. Stuart Cohen, Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases at UCD speaking on “The Role of Stool Transplantation in Management of Infections”
- 2) UCDEA/UCDRA Fall Meeting talk on October 22, 2015 featuring Dr. Amparo Villablanca, Director of the Women’s Cardiovascular Medicine Program at UCD speaking on “Gender Differences in Heart Disease: What Every Retiree Should Know”
- 3) Brainfood talk on Thursday, November 12, 2015 featuring Brian Sway, representing Academics Without Borders speaking on “Partnering for Success: Building Capacity of Higher Education in Developing Countries”
- 4) Brainfood talk on Thursday, January 14, 2016 featuring Robert Emmons, Professor of Psychology speaking on “Choosing Gratitude instead of Complaint and Why New Year’s Resolutions Fail”
- 5) Brainfood talk on Thursday, March 10, 2016 featuring William Jackson, Professor of Chemistry Emeritus and Distinguished Emeritus Award co-recipient for 2016 speaking on “Using Photochemistry to Understand Chemical Reactions in the Universe”
- 6) Brainfood talk on Thursday, April 14, 2016 featuring Bob Segar, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Campus Planning and Community Resources speaking on “Update on the Campus Long Range Development Plan”
- 7) Spring UCDEA Meeting on Thursday, May 12, 2016 featuring Fred Block, Professor of Sociology Emeritus and Distinguished Emeritus Award co-recipient for 2016 speaking on “Mapping the US Innovation System Today”
- 8) Preliminary arrangements are being made for speakers for the Fall Quarter, viz. Brain Food Talks on September 29 and November 10, as well as the Fall Meeting on October 21, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,
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