



Class of 2017-2018

2018 Annual Report



FROM THE DIRECTOR

2018 was the year that ELAM crisscrossed the country, meeting with over a quarter of our 1,026 alumnae. We held receptions in 10 cities, welcoming past graduates, current fellows, future applicants, deans, leaders, and other supporters and friends of ELAM. We were energized by the enthusiasm at these receptions and by the excitement about our approaching 25th anniversary celebration on May 1, 2020.

2018 was also a wonderful year of growth for ELAM with curriculum and faculty updates for our Decision Making and Strategy, Negotiation, Interviewing Strategies and Coaching modules.

We opened the door wide to new collaborations with emerging leaders and organizations in the gender equity movement. We joined the planning grant advisory group for the Women Leaders in Global Health Initiative, which is supported by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and the planning group for the Gender Equity Collaborative, which is sponsored by leading health care companies and the Carol Emmett Fellowship and Women of Impact. We also joined forces with the #BeEthical Campaign (a call to health care leaders that ending gender workforce disparities is an ethical imperative), FeminEM (Females in Emergency Medicine) and @PROWDWomen (Promoting and Respecting Our Women Doctors) and Time's Up Healthcare. And we took off on social media – our Twitter followers grew by 400%!

But this was also a year of loss with the passing of D. Walter Cohen, DDS, who co-founded the ELAM program. When Dr. Cohen designed ELAM, he recognized that transforming the face of academic medicine would require significant culture change and persistent efforts to sustain the success of women leaders. His early leadership and strong continued support made the program the success that ELAM is today. He is deeply missed, and we have named ELAM's annual January Alumnae Program Dinner in his honor.

As we head into 2019, we look forward to continuing to strengthen our program and build our community through strategic partnerships that will help us accelerate the pace toward gender equity in academic medicine.

Warm regards,

Nancy D. Spector

Nancy D. Spector, MD Executive Director

FROM THE DEAN

On May 1, 2020, ELAM will celebrate its 25th anniversary – a silver milestone not only for the program and its alumnae, but for academic medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and



public health. By 2020, more than 1,200 ELUMs will hold senior leadership roles in institutions around the world, each of them having an impact on the advancement of women as they bring their intelligence, perspective and skills to bear.

Here at Drexel, 25 ELUMs currently hold leadership positions across the University, from department chair to vice provost to dean. In addition, three ELUMs with emeritus status continue to teach, mentor other faculty, and conduct sponsored research. Every fall, we have the privilege of meeting a new class of ELAM fellows and observing their progress. Best of all, we have the privilege of working with colleagues who are ELUMs and benefiting from their self-efficacy and growth year after year.

It is very much in keeping with our sponsorship of ELAM that we have joined Time's Up Healthcare, an initiative of the Time's Up movement, which was launched in the entertainment industry last year. ELAM, in the person of its executive director, Nancy Spector, began discussing Time's Up Healthcare with me as it was forming in 2018. The ideas and goals align closely with the those of Drexel University College of Medicine and its strong heritage of advancing women in medicine. Dr. Spector became a founding member, and I was pleased to make the College of Medicine a founding signatory.

I have been excited by the momentum of ELAM over the past several years and by the strategic decision to open the program to wider collaborations. Although I will step down as dean at the end of the current academic year, I will follow ELAM's future with pride and great expectations.

Warm regards,

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Daniel V. Schidlow, MD Walter H. and Leonore Annenberg Dean Senior Vice President for Medical Affairs

OUR IMPACT

The Hedwig van Ameringen Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine® (ELAM) program aims to increase and sustain the number and impact of women in academic leadership positions in the health sciences. ELAM carries on the legacy of advancing women in medicine begun by the Female Medical College of Pennsylvania, the nation's first women's medical school. ELAM continues as a national resource hosted by Drexel University College of Medicine. Since its inception, the one-year, part-time fellowship has expanded to target diverse health professions and to reach a broader, global stage.



Applications

Applicants to ELAM come from around the country and around the world.

They are mid-level and senior faculty from medical, dental, public health and pharmacy schools.

In 2018, the ELAM program received applications from:

- 115 applicants from 84 schools for 58 seats
- 4 applicants from dental schools
- **4** applicants from public health schools



Academic and Business Support

Support from academic institutions and executive search firms enables ELAM to provide continuing support for ELAM alumnae, who in turn support an institution's emerging women leaders through community building, continuing education and professional development.

- 66 Academic Sustaining Members
- **6** Executive Development Council Members (executive search firms)
- **414** job postings in our e-newsletter, The Edge
- **53** resource lists of highly qualified ELUMs produced for academic institution search committees



Gifts

A primary goal of ELAM is to sustain our alumnae in their leadership roles.

We do this by facilitating ELUM community-building activities; distributing the ELAM Edge e-newsletter with position announcements, program and alumnae updates, and leadershipthemed news items; offering advanced leadership development programs for alumnae; being available for phone consultations with our ELUMs, and more.

The support we received from ELUMs in 2018 is crucial in helping us in these efforts.

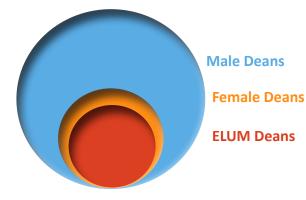
Legacy Fund: Supports alumnae programming and community building. 88 gifts totaling \$33,289

Innovations Fund: Provides support for ELAM that our program fees do not cover. 22 gifts totaling \$9,133

Founders Fund: Sustains the influential work of the ELAM program by helping endow a director's chair. 24 gifts totaling \$18,234

2018 HIGHLIGHTS

U.S. MEDICAL SCHOOL DEANS



DID YOU KNOW?

• 13 of the 27 women deans and interim deans at U.S. medical schools are ELUMs

• 6 of the 13 women deans at U.S. dental schools are ELUMs

• 3 of the 24 women deans at U.S. public health schools are ELUMs







1,026

ELAM Fellows come from academic health organizations around the world. There are now 1,026 ELUMS.

Other 2018 Highlights

- ELAM was cited in 10 news stories or articles in publications including *The Lancet* and *Inside Higher Ed*, and twice in the *Harvard Business Review*.
- We engaged in person with **276** of our alumnae!
- Nancy Spector delivered **10** invited presentations across the country on gender equity and career development.
- **38** ELUMs were the recipients of awards or honors.
- 69 ELUMs rose to new positions.
- Our number of Twitter followers grew by **400%**.

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"Wake Forest University School of Medicine (WFSM) has a longstanding and deep respect for the ELAM program and has been the beneficiary of the strong leadership training provided to our women faculty.

Our institutional alumni of the ELAM program are influential leaders throughout the enterprise—as chairs, center directors, section heads, administrators and thought leaders within academic medicine and within their given field.

Our ELAM graduates acquire skills that elevate their contributions and result in greater responsibility and authority, thereby strengthening WFSM at the highest levels of the organizational structure. As an ELUM myself, I am keenly aware of the tremendous leadership growth for the participant that occurs during the program and after, and the significance of the national networking opportunity." "I cannot thank ELAM enough for the training, mentoring and networking that helped me to get here. I am confident that all I have learned will be instrumental for navigating challenges in my new position."

Gyongyi Szabo, MD, PhD ELAM 2010 Incoming Chief Academic Officer Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Julie A. Freischlag, MD ELAM 1997 Chief Executive Officer Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center Dean Wake Forest School of Medicine



"Graduates of the ELAM program are well poised to take on leadership positions throughout the public health world. When you look at ELAM grads, they are now populating deanships, associate deanships and chair positions all over the country."

Sten H. Vermund, MD, PhD Dean, Yale School of Public Health

"The ELAM program's impact is beyond measure. There are ELUMs engaged in leadership roles throughout our organization. I can't imagine us functioning without them."

John S. Penn, PhD Phyllis G. and William B. Snyder Endowed Professor and Vice Chairman Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Associate Dean Office of Faculty Affairs Vanderbilt University School of Medicine



"I truly believe that my ELAM training and experiences were instrumental to my success."

Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch, DDS, PhD, FDS, RCSEd ELAM 2013 Incoming Dean, Indiana University School of Dentistry



ELAM's 25th Anniversary Celebration May 1, 2020

Join us for a day of learning and networking, and then an elegant evening reception and dinner at the Kimmel Center to celebrate 25 years of ELAM!

By 2020 there will be more than 1,200 ELUMs in senior leadership roles at institutions around the world. We have a lot to celebrate, and we invite you to join us in marking this important occasion!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Panels, workshops and discussion groups will be held during the day. The evening will feature a celebration at the Kimmel Center, including a keynote speaker, awards, dinner, and events honoring D. Walter Cohen and the other founders of ELAM.

11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	ELUM table-top discussions and lunch buffet
1–4 p.m.	Salons with panels and speakers
5 – 6 p.m.	Cocktail reception
6 – 8 p.m.	Dinner, keynote speaker, awards presentations

