



Making a difference in our own backyard

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

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Dear friends:

"Making a difference" is a theme that has been featured in some way in all of our recent annual reports. And well it should since it is the heart of our mission statement. Inspired in part by adages such as "Think globally, act locally," and "If you want to change the world, start in your own backyard," this year's annual report focuses on the ways in which we are accomplishing our mission in our own backyard. We know that being good neighbors strengthens our communities and reinforces our position as a world-class gerontology center. You'll see the importance we place on creating positive change for older adults in our local community and in our state in stories about Age-Friendly Oxford, and two projects specifically focused on improving the lives of elders in Ohio.

This year's annual report also highlights some of the nationally-focused research, service, special lectures, and awards that are central to the broad positive impact that we seek. Our outstanding Scripps Gerontology Center staff and gerontology faculty, our students, our donors, and our partners gave us much to celebrate in 2017.

Thanks to all of you for your investment in our work that makes a positive difference in our own backyard and beyond.

Sincerely,

Our mission is to do work that makes a positive difference in the lives of aging individuals, their families and communities, and to meet the needs of aging societies.

**We accomplish this mission through excellence
in research, education, and service.**



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Scripps Gerontology Center engages in the Age-Friendly Oxford Initiative

In November of 2017, Oxford, Ohio was officially welcomed into the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities. This designation is part of a five-year commitment made by the city of Oxford and its organizational partners to assess the needs and to identify and implement feasible solutions to enhance livability of our community for people of all ages. Scripps Gerontology Center is proud to join the city of Oxford, Oxford Seniors, and Oxford Village Network in spearheading the initiative. In 2017, we worked with our partners to adapt the AARP needs assessment survey to Oxford's unique community characteristics. The survey will be launched in spring of 2018. Stay tuned for results of the survey and for Oxford's action plan to make our town a great place to grow older.



Learn more about the AARP Network
of Age-Friendly Communities
bit.ly/aarp-age-friendly



Our local nursing homes benefit from Translating research into practice

Incorporating the Preferences for Everyday Living into Ohio's Nursing Homes to Improve Resident Care

The Preferences for Everyday Living Inventory (PELI) is a tool used to assess nursing home residents' preferences. It is one of the five quality indicators the Ohio Department of Medicaid uses to determine Medicaid nursing home quality payment rates. This project partners with nursing homes to provide education and training on how to honor residents' preferences and use information about residents' preferences to guide care.

Funded by Ohio Department of Medicaid



preferencebasedliving.com



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PELI-Can — Together we can make nursing homes a better place to live by honoring residents' preferences using the PELI

PELI-Can website accessed by **297 providers** in Ohio – **126 from the greater Cincinnati area.**

PELI-Can team presented 4 live webinars with a total of **237 participants**, 60 CEUs earned. Recorded webinars are on the website.

PELI-Can monthly eNews is read by an average of **298 professionals** per month.



Subscribe to PELI-Can eNews
bit.ly/PELI-news-signup

Student volunteers

Miami undergraduate and graduate students made significant contributions to the PELI project. They interviewed residents at partner organizations, created Preferences for Activities and Leisure (PAL) cards, and conducted follow-up interviews. These students were essential to the project.



The Preference-Based Living team presented at **12 conferences in Ohio and surrounding states** during 2017.



Preference Based Living

The Preference-Based Living team partnered with The Knolls of Oxford, to pilot test a novel communication intervention - Preferences for Activities and Leisure (PAL) cards with their skilled nursing residents.

PAL cards provide at-a-glance information about a resident's background and important preferences for daily life. Staff at The Knolls of Oxford report that PAL cards are helpful in promoting more personalized care. Residents felt that their voices were heard, which made them feel valued.

The cards spark conversations between staff, volunteers, and community members, contributing to a greater sense of connectedness.



bit.ly/2017-peli-news-story

PREFERENCES FOR
ACTIVITIES AND LEISURE (PAL)
CARDS CREATED FOR

80 RESIDENTS AT
4 PARTNER
ORGANIZATIONS

BERKELEY SQUARE OF HAMILTON
BUTLER COUNTY CARE FACILITY
THE KNOTS OF OXFORD
PREMIER ESTATES, OXFORD

Nine local long-term care communities participate in Building intergenerational bridges and future leaders

Opening Minds through Art (OMA) empowers students to **lead through acts of service.**



Miami students shared their OMA experiences at the Forum on Aging conference in Cincinnati. These students had a wide range of majors, from mathematics and statistics to botany, psychology, microbiology, interactive media studies, and kinesiology. One thing they had in common was their life-changing experience serving in OMA.



bit.ly/2017-OMA-reflection



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The annual OMA art show at the Oxford Community Art Center brings the community together to celebrate OMA artists.

MIAMI STUDENTS IN OMA IN 2017

248 STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

7,220 SERVICE-LEARNING HOURS

9 LOCAL SITES SERVED



Opening Minds through Art (OMA): Quality Improvement Project (QIP) Expansion

Opening Minds through Art (OMA) is an intergenerational art-making program for people with dementia that provides opportunities for creative self-expression and social engagement for people with Alzheimer's disease and other neurocognitive disorders. The program is an approved Ohio Department of Aging quality improvement project. The purpose of this project is to expand OMA to more Ohio long-term care facilities so that Ohio can be a national model for improving quality of dementia care through creative arts.

Funded by Ohio Department of Medicaid



ScrippsOMA.org



IN 2017 THE OMA PROGRAM
WAS AT **115 SITES** IN 25 STATES
AND 4 COUNTRIES

50 SITES ARE IN OHIO

MORE THAN
330 FACILITATORS
HAVE BEEN TRAINED



*Subscribe to OMA eNews to learn
about grant funded facilitator
training opportunities.
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2017 Ohio Long-Term Care Research Project Advisory Committee

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Ohio Long-Term Care Research Project

The Ohio Long-Term Care Research Project (OLTCRP) was established by the Ohio legislature in 1988. It provides applied research, policy analysis, technical assistance, training and education for Ohio legislators, public administrators, service providers, and the community at large. The OLTCRP supports original research projects and evidence-based programmatic innovations; dissemination of research findings through journal articles, reports, briefings, and educational sessions with legislators and professionals; and the distribution of informational materials to consumers and their families.



Learn more at
MiamiOH.edu/ScriptssAging/OLTCRP

IN FY 2016-17

11,500+

PAGEVIEWS ON
OHIO-POPULATION.ORG

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CARE REPORTS
DOWNLOADED**

4,000+

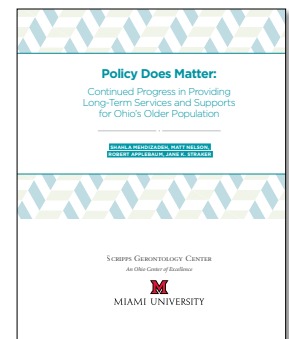
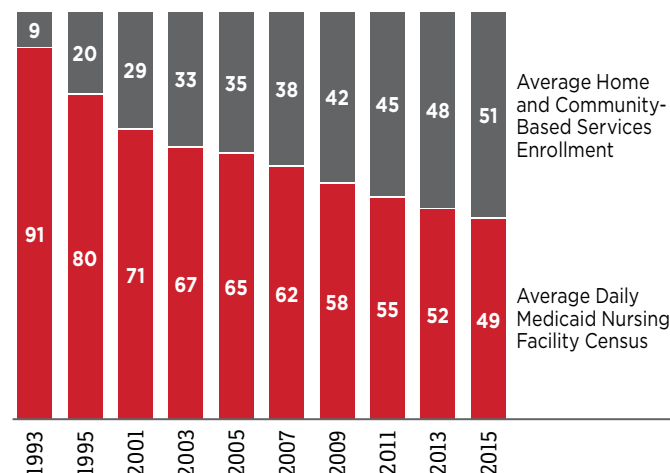
TIMES

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**PRESENTATIONS
TO PROFESSIONAL
ORGANIZATIONS**

Policy Does Matter

Distribution of Ohio's Long-Term Care Services and Supports
Use by People Age 60 and Older, 1997-2015



bit.ly/2017-Policy

Source: Mehdizadeh, S., Applebaum, R., Nelson, I., & Straker, J. K., (2017) *Policy Does Matter: Continued Progress in Providing Long-Term Services and Supports for Ohio's Older Population*. Scripps Gerontology Center, Miami University: Oxford, OH.

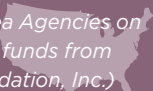
Our own backyard and beyond

A sampling of our funded research

Aging and Disability Business Institute Evaluation

evaluates the effectiveness and impact of the resources and interventions offered through the Aging and Disability Business Institute.

National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) (pass-through funds from The John A. Hartford Foundation, Inc.)



Evaluation of AgeWell

describes the Cleveland implementation of AgeWell, a program that employs able older adults to provide companionship and technology-enabled support to prevent hospital readmissions.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation



System Factors and Racial Disparities in Nursing Home Quality of Life and Care

examines how quality of life differs depending on the proportion of minority residents living in a nursing home.

University of Minnesota (pass-through funds from National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities)



Xavier University Montessori Program for Dementia

evaluated Xavier University's Montessori Dementia Program in two long-term care facility dementia care units.

Xavier University (pass-through funds from Joseph J. Schott Foundation)



Tracking Long-Term Services Use in Ohio: July 2017-June 2019

describes long-term service and supports utilization, processes, and payment to provide policy-makers, providers, and consumers with information to guide decision-making in the Ohio long-term care system.

Ohio Department of Aging



Our Family, Our Way: A Care Communication Tool for Aging Parents and Their Adult Children

developed, implemented, and evaluated a family-directed communication and planning toolkit to be used by families of older adults with chronic illness and/or disability.

The Retirement Research Foundation



A Mixed-Methods Study of Middle-Aged and Older Adults: Lifelong Learning, Skill Proficiencies, and Employment in the U.S. and Selected OECD Countries

examines relationships among skill proficiencies, employment, labor force participation, lifelong learning, and educational attainment for adults in the U.S. aged 40 to 74.

U.S. Department of Education



Mapping Barriers to Community College Completion Among Older Learners: Identifying Malleable Factors to Improve Student Outcomes

analyzes data from Ohio's community colleges to propose interventions that facilitate successful outcomes for older students, especially the 40 to 64 age group.

U.S. Department of Education



Information and Planning: Understanding the Capacity of the Aging Network

conducted comprehensive surveys of Aging Network organizations, culminating in presentations and reports focusing on the progress of the Aging Network over the past decade.

National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) (pass-through funds from the Department of Health and Human Services)



Learn more about our current projects
bit.ly/current-research

Preparing tomorrow's experts in aging

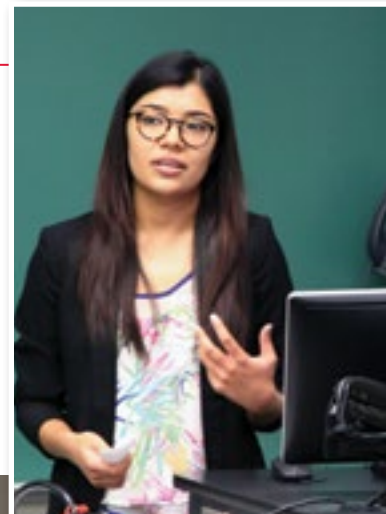


Practicum presentations

Each summer, first-year gerontology master's students go into the field for a practicum. And each fall they return with experiences that shape their studies and careers. These transformative experiences are shared in a formal presentation to faculty and students a few days before classes start in August.



bit.ly/2017-practicum



IN ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-17
DONORS HELPED PROVIDE

\$7,924

FOR GERONTOLOGY
GRADUATE STUDENT
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

23 STUDENTS
GAVE

22 PRESENTATIONS
AT

5 PROFESIONAL
CONFERENCES



Engaging gerontology students in meaningful research projects is a priority

By building graduate assistants into our research proposals, in academic year 2016-17 we were able to provide **\$107,623** in funding so students could receive hands-on-experience with high-impact research projects. Graduate assistants contributed more than **9,500** hours on Scripps research projects.



Learn about our unique opportunities for students
MiamiOH.edu/ScrippsAging/Academics

Miami University Gerontology Alumni Advisory Group

In 2017 the Alumni Advisory Group worked to create opportunities for alumni to connect with one another and with current students, Scripps staff, and gerontology faculty. These connections happened at Miami, online, and at alumni gatherings in four cities.

Gerontology Alumni Advisory Group members BA IN GERONTOLOGY

Julia Creswell '15, *Director of Community Life Services, Christian Village at Mason*

Ross Farnsworth '09, *Executive Director, The Knolls of Oxford*

MASTER OF GERONTOLOGICAL STUDIES

Chelsea Gilchrist '14, *Program Associate, Center for Healthy Aging at NCOA*

Julie Kaminski '00, *Senior Vice President and CEO, Immanuel Communities*

David Mancuso '99, *Partner & Director of Sales, Troon Technologies*

Kathryn Myles '91, *Associate Director, Alumni Travel & Lifetime Engagement, Alumni Relations, Miami University*

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PHD IN SOCIAL GERONTOLOGY

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Taka Yamashita '11, *Associate Professor, University of Maryland Baltimore County*

Are you a Miami University Gerontology alum?

Update your contact information, and learn about upcoming alumni events.



Learn more
MiamiOH.edu/GTY-Alumni

Gerontology alumni

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Miami University gerontology program alumni are making a difference all over the world. And in our Ohio backyard, more than 200 of our graduate and undergraduate gerontology program alumni are making a difference in higher education, the aging network, long-term services and supports, aging services, acute and palliative care, senior centers, and research organizations.



Alumni visits

Each year several gerontology alumni come to campus to speak with current gerontology students about their career path and their work.

2001 graduate of the Master of Gerontological Studies and recipient of the 2017 Cottrell Distinguished Alumni Award, **Heather Menne** (left), met with gerontology students and faculty during her visit to campus.

2011 graduate of the PhD program in Social Gerontology, **Taka Yamashita** (below), speaks with doctoral students about his teaching and research experiences as a tenure-track faculty member.



Honors and service

Suzanne Kunkel named University Distinguished Professor

Miami University's board of trustees conferred the title of University Distinguished Professor to Suzanne Kunkel, effective July 1, 2017. To be selected for this award, a faculty member must demonstrate teaching excellence, be a contributor to the life and mission of Miami University, and be a distinguished scholar of national and international stature with demonstrated recognition and with a projected high-level of scholarly productivity in the future.



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Elizabeth "Like" Lokon received the Rosalinde Gilbert Innovations in Alzheimer's Disease Caregiving Legacy Award.



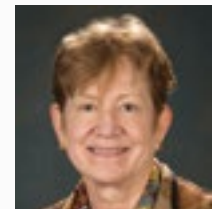
Katherine Abbott, was awarded Fellowship in the Gerontological Society of America.



2017 Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education (OAGE) awards

Phyllis Cummins named Researcher of the Year.

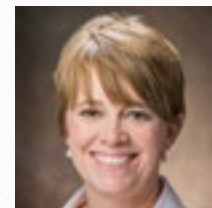
The award recognizes individuals in Ohio's aging network whose research has improved services, advanced knowledge, or supported the expansion of research in the field of gerontology in Ohio or nationally.



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Kate de Medeiros named Educator of the Year

This award recognizes individuals in Ohio's educational institutions that have used educational programs in Ohio or advanced gerontological education and training for students and practitioners.



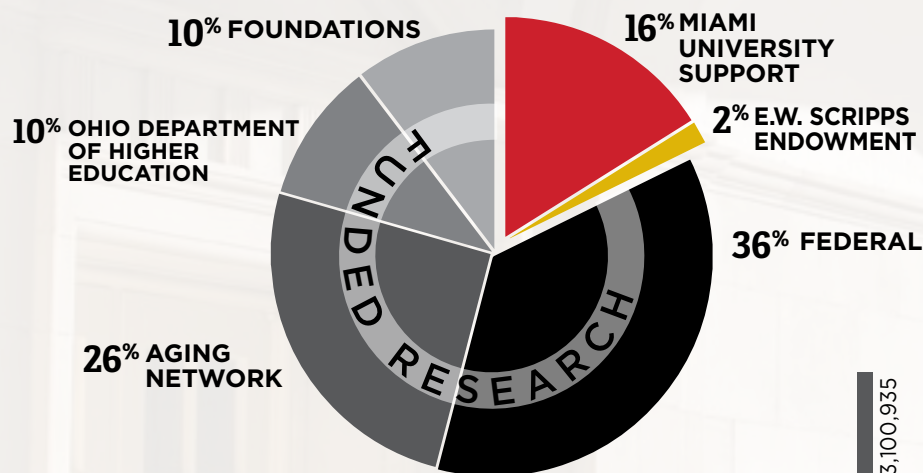
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Making a difference in our own backyard

Scripps team members provide service to state and local boards

- » Member, Board of Directors, Ohio Person-Centered Care Coalition
- » Member, Butler County Elderly Services Program Advisory Council
- » Trustee, Oxford Senior Citizens, Inc.
- » Chair, Otterbein Lebanon Board
- » Member, Transportation Subcommittee, Oxford Village Network (OVN)
- » Board Member and Strategic Planning Committee Chair, Cedar Village
- » Member, Communications Committee, Oxford Village Network (OVN)
- » Board Member and Assessment Committee Chair, LifeSpan, LLC
- » Member, Oxford Seniors/Miami Affiliation Advisory Committee

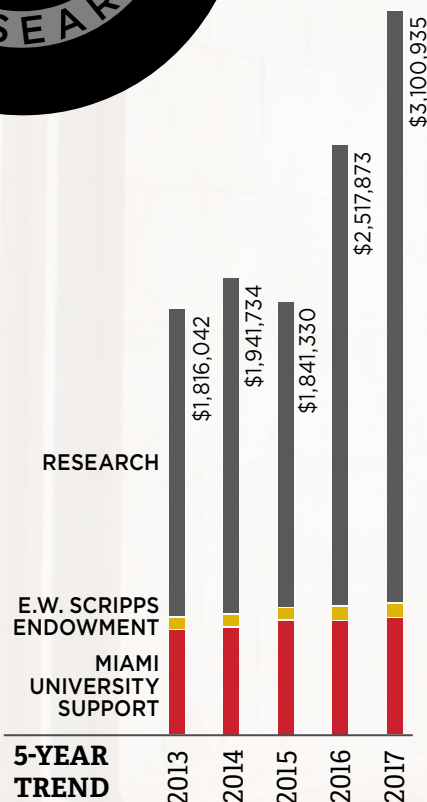
2017 Operating budget \$3,100,935



Our diversified funding portfolio and commitment to excellence in research began with the **original 1922 endowment from E. W. Scripps**.

Miami University provided 16% of our 2017 budget. Externally-funded contracts and research grants generated 82% of our 2017 budget.

Our leadership in education and research, as well as our focus on external funding, are **important contributions to the greater Miami University community.**



IN 2017
SCRIPPS RESEARCH OR
RESEARCH SCHOLARS
APPEARED IN



100
MEDIA STORIES

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SCRIPPS STAFF AND
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33
PRESENTATIONS TO
PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS



SCRIPPS STAFF AND
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PRODUCED

35
PUBLICATIONS IN JOURNALS,
BOOKS, AND REPORTS



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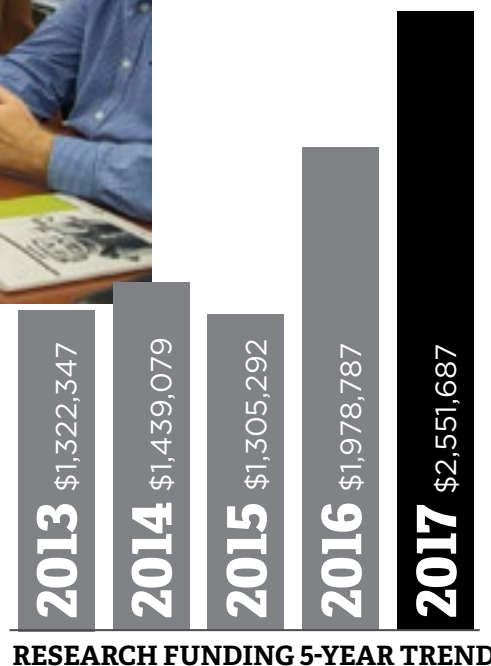
Nearly 100 years of quality research



EXPLORE SOME OF OUR ONLINE RESOURCES

-  *What Matters Most: A Guide for My Support and Care*
bit.ly/Scripps-WMM-2017
-  Recorded webinars
bit.ly/Scripps-Recordings-2017
-  Current projects
bit.ly/projects-2017

Our mission is to do work that makes a positive difference in the lives of aging individuals, their families and communities. The primary way we accomplish our mission is by continuing what we have done for almost a century: conducting quality research with the highest commitment to excellence and impact.



2017 SNAPSHOT

- 43** RESEARCH PROJECTS
- 2.5+** MILLION DOLLARS
- 16** PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS
- #1** RANK IN EXTERNAL FUNDING AT MIAMI UNIVERSITY

Donors making an impact



The Colonial Services Long-Term Care Research award is presented to a gerontology graduate student for outstanding research or program development in long-term care.

2017 Recipients

Morgan Liddic, first-year MGS student
Implementing a Person-Centered Intervention in Long-Term Care

Nathan Sheffer, second-year MGS student
Memory Care Units in Ohio Long-Term Care Facilities



bit.ly/2017-colonial-award

Connect with our mission through giving. You can partner with us in a number of ways and help us continue to provide quality research, education, and service with charitable donations.



MiamiOH.edu/ScrippsAging/Support

Heather Menne is 2017 Cottrell Distinguished Alumni Award recipient

Made possible by a contribution from the family of W. Fred Cottrell, the Cottrell Distinguished Alumni Award is given in recognition of outstanding scholarship and/or leadership in the field of aging.



bit.ly/2017-cottrell



P.K. Whelpton's legacy inspires tomorrow's experts in demography and aging. With the generosity of the Whelpton family, the P.K. Whelpton Memorial Lecture Series brings a nationally known scholar to Miami University each fall.

This inspirational annual event includes a public lecture and a multi-day visit, giving the 2017 lecturer, Dr. Bei Wu from New York University (NYU), an opportunity to interact with faculty and students in a variety of settings.



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Sustaining benefactors

- » E. W. Scripps Fund
- » P. K. Whelpton Fund
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