Curtis Cain, Assistant Professor, School of Business is recipient of the highly prestigious National Science Foundation (NSF) Faculty Early Career Development Award. Dr. Cain’s research is entitled, Overcoming Obstacles, Building Community, and Broadening Participation: A Qualitative Analysis of the Experiences and Career Decisions of Black Men in Computing.

Hessam Yazdani, Assistant Professor in the College of Engineering & Architecture, is also the recipient of the highly prestigious National Science Foundation (NSF) Faculty Early Career Development Award. His research is entitled, Multiscale Mechanics of Carbon Nanotube-Polymer Composites.

Professor Nikki Taylor (PI) and Associate Professor Bahiyyah Muhammad (Co-PI) in the College of Arts & Sciences have been awarded the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation $5 million Just Futures grant. Professors Taylor and Muhammad successfully rose to the call by the foundation for a proposal submission that is “Visionary, unconventional, experimental, and groundbreaking . . . in order to address the long-existing fault lines of racism, inequality and injustice that tear at the fabric of democracy and civil society.”
Terry Adams Joins Howard University, Office of Research as Intellectual Property, Faculty Innovation, & Marketing Specialist

Mr. Terry Adams, a Howard graduate, has vast experience across numerous fast moving consumer goods (FMCG) product categories including Food, Beverages, Home Care, and Personal Care in the fields of scientific research and product development. He began his career at Proctor and Gamble (P&G) in Cincinnati, Ohio as a product researcher in the Soaps and Detergents Division. After P&G he was appointed Manager of Process Development for Personal Care Division at Dial Corporation in Scottsdale, AZ followed by an appointment with Kimberly-Clark Corporation as Senior Research Manager. In July 2006, Mr. Adams relocated to Vevey, Switzerland where he joined Nestle Corporation as Assistant Vice President and Head of the Technology Intellectual Property within the Research and Development Division.

Mr. Adams is one of the Intellectual Asset Management (IAM) Strategy 300 World’s Leading IP Strategists designated for individuals who are leading the way in the development and implementation of strategies that maximize the value of IP portfolios. In his role as IP, Faculty Innovation, & Marketing Specialist, Mr. Adams will work with faculty and students in the advancement of Howard’s IP portfolio. This will include:

- Innovations and inventions that hold the most promising prospects for commercialization,
- Faculty and student training on research, innovation, and invention,
- Development and sustainment of business and industry relationships that may support the IP and Innovation enterprise at Howard University,
- Direct oversight of the policies, and operational protocols for the review of IP patent applications.

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The Office of Research in partnership with the Office of Faculty Development launched the first in a series of workshops on faculty and grant writing. The first workshop entitled, Aiming for Success: Focus on Humanities and the Social Sciences, took place on November 20, 2020. On behalf of President Frederick, HU Provost Anthony Wutoh presented with featured guest speakers, Mr. Eric Kelly, President, Quantum Foundation and Dr. Mary Macklem, Senior Program Officer, National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).