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*The Sigma Chapter Newsletter*



# Risky Business

*Risk Management / Insurance / Actuarial Science*

## H. Wayne Snider Distinguished Guest Lecturer Series

Wednesday, February 24, 2021, 12:00PM-12:50PM

Zoom [Link](#)

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**Jessica Mechtly**  
**Manager, Risk Manager, United States Olympics & Paralympic Committee**

Jesica Mechtly was named the manager of risk management for the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee in November 2017. In this role, Mechtly oversees the management of operational risk programs for the domestic operations of the USOPC, including the Olympic & Paralympic Training Centers in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Lake Placid, New York. She also conducts risk identification, manages claims and oversees the insurance programs for domestic operations.

Since joining the USOPC in April 2015 as a risk management specialist, Mechtly has created and implemented an enterprise-wide safety and crisis management program, composed emergency operations plans for two Olympic and Paralympic Games - Rio 2016 and PyeongChang 2018 - and has designed and implemented an emergency mass notification system and corresponding protocol for domestic operations.

Prior to joining the USOPC, Mechtly served as the risk analyst for Discover Goodwill of Southern and Western Colorado, where she managed the insurance and mitigation programs for 48 locations with diverse operations in retail, adult daycare, adult education, and janitorial and commercial laundry needs.

Mechtly earned her Bachelor's Degree in Finance and International Business from Colorado Technical University, where she went on to earn her MBA in Finance. She is a member of Rocky Mountain chapter of the Risk and Insurance Management Society, RIMS, and a member of Women in Sports and Events, WISE. Active in her community, Mechtly also volunteers with local anti-human trafficking organizations. Mechtly resides in Colorado Springs, Colorado, with her husband and three children.

## **Bonnie R. Averbach**

### **Distinguished Guest Lecturer Series**

Monday, March 1, 2021, 12:00PM-12:50PM

Zoom [Link](#)

Zoom ID: 846 4078 1765

Zoom Password: GIS2021



**Loren Nickle, FCAS, CFA, MAAA**  
**Director, Business Risk and Insurance, Google**

Loren Nickle is a director at Google and heads the business risk and insurance team which is responsible for all Alphabet companies. Loren's team provides risk advisory, captive management, insurance placement, and analytical support to Alphabet. He joined Google / Alphabet in April 2015.

Loren has twenty-five years of experience in the risk and insurance industry, including fifteen years as an actuary and four years as an underwriting manager with Aon and Allianz. He has been called on to explain in-depth actuarial, risk management, and underwriting concepts to a variety of audiences around the globe including CEO's, CFO's, Executive / Managing Directors and Risk Managers. He is a six year past-President of the Casualty Actuaries of the Bay Area and is on the advisory board for the UC Santa Barbara actuarial program and the Insurance Thought Leadership corporation.

He is a Fellow of the Casualty Actuarial Society, Member of the American Academy of Actuaries, and Charterholder of the CFA Institute. Loren is a 2011 Business Insurance - Innovation of the Year Award Recipient and in 2017 he was named the Risk Manager of the Year by RIMS

## Workshops

### RMI Career Development vFairs Workshop

Monday, February 22, 2021  
12:00PM-12:50PM

Zoom [Link](#)

Zoom ID: 825 2694 8789

Zoom Password: GIS2021

This workshop will train students on how to navigate the vFairs software that will be used to conduct our Risk Management Intern Career Reception. **This workshop is required for students attending the reception!**

### Professor Research Dr. Krupa Viswanathan

Monday, February 22, 2021  
12:00PM-12:50PM

Zoom [Link](#)

Zoom ID: 943 7711 6359

Zoom Password: ASCD2021

This workshop is geared towards upperclassmen who are interesting in learning about the award-winning research performed in our RIHM department. Join us to learn about Professor Viswanathan's latest research findings.

## RMI Industry to Campus Events

Industry to Campus events are designed to familiarize students with companies that will recruit at our RMI Intern Reception. The following companies will give a presentation and conduct a Q&A session. Please dress in business casual to attend.

**Monday, February 22, 2021**

5:00pm-6:00pm

Zoom [Link](#)

Trion

6:15pm-7:15pm

Zoom [Link](#)

USI Insurance

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021**

5:00pm-6:00pm

Zoom [Link](#)

Reliance Standard Life Insurance

6:00pm-7:15pm

Zoom [Link](#)

AssuredPartners

## RMI Intern Career Reception

Thursday, February 25, 2021

1:00PM-6:00PM

The RMI Intern Career Reception will be held for Risk Management and Insurance students looking for an internship during the summer of 2021.

The reception will be held online via vFairs.

You MUST complete the Road to the Resume Book in order to attend! To begin the process, be on the lookout for instructions to pay your membership dues virtually. After that, look for emails from the Professional Development team to sign up for an Interview Skills Workshop.

### Sigma Chapter Canvas Page

Keep updated on Sigma Chapter events with our very own Sigma Chapter Canvas Page! Use this resource to find information about our meeting times and Zoom locations, forms, dues, and our weekly newsletter, Risky Business!

If you do not have access to the Sigma Chapter Canvas Page, please fill out [this Google form](#) and you'll be added shortly.

### Paying Dues

Looking to renew your Gamma membership this year? Please follow this [link](#) to receive further instructions on how to pay dues and to read more about Member and Non-Member Benefits, Types of Membership, the New Member Handbook, and Academic Distinction.

If you paid dues in the Fall 2020 semester, you do NOT need to pay again for the Spring 2021 semester.

### Charity of Choice Donations

If you are interested in donating to the Ryan Trefz Memorial Scholarship fund, please Venmo @sigmachapter or visit our [GoFundMe page](#). The payment description should consist of your email and 'Charity of Choice'.

### LOOKING AHEAD IN GAMMA: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021 - FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2021

<b>MONDAY</b> 22 AS and RMI Workshops Industry to Campus	<b>TUESDAY</b> 23	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 24 H. Wayne Snider Distinguished Speaker Industry to Campus	<b>THURSDAY</b> 25 RMI Intern Career Reception	<b>FRIDAY</b> 26
<b>MONDAY</b> 1 Bonnie Averbach Distinguished Speaker	<b>TUESDAY</b> 2	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 3 H. Wayne Snider Distinguished Speaker	<b>THURSDAY</b> 4	<b>FRIDAY</b> 5 Community Affairs Committee

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