Faculty Awards

Spring Meeting of the Faculty and Associates

April 26, 2022
Outstanding Research Achievement or Creative Accomplishment
This award recognizes faculty members for particularly noteworthy research or creative accomplishment during the past three years. This year's award recipients are:
Ashfaq Adnan
Professor, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
Ashley Lemke
Assistant Professor, Sociology and Anthropology
Sen Xu
Assistant Professor, Biology

Distinguished Record of Research or Creative Activity
This award recognizes faculty members for achieving a distinguished record of research and scholarship or creative activity over an extended period of time. The winners each receive a Research Enhancement Program grant. This year's award recipient is:
Paul Fadel
Professor, Kinesiology

Academy of Distinguished Scholars
The Academy of Distinguished Scholars fosters and advocates for the importance of research and creative activity, promotes a sense of community among scholars, and advises on research practices and policies. Each inductee receives a permanent salary increase. This year's inductees are:
Lawrence "Larry" Chonko
Professor, Marketing
Yi Hong
Associate Professor, Bioengineering
Qinhong "Max" Hu
Professor, Earth and Environmental Sciences
Rhonda Prisby
Professor, Kinesiology

Academy of Distinguished Teachers
This award recognizes tenured faculty for a sustained record of outstanding teaching, personal commitment to students and the learning process, and the ability to motivate and inspire students. Academy members receive a permanent salary increase. This year's inductees are:
Karabi Bezbunah
Associate Professor, Public Affairs and Planning
Hyejin Moon
Associate Professor, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
Samuel "Pete" Smith
Professor, Modern Languages
Shan Sun-Mitchell
Professor, Mathematics

President's Award for Excellence in Teaching
The President's Award for Excellence in Teaching recognizes teaching that is inspiring, effective, and innovative. This year's recipients are:
TENURED
Woo-Suk Chang
Associate Professor, Biology
Ankur Jain
Associate Professor, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

UNTENURED
Himan Hojat Jalali
Assistant Professor, Civil Engineering
Rebecca Mauldin
Assistant Professor, School of Social Work

Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching
The Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching honors non-tenure-track instructors who have demonstrated a record of excellence in teaching, strong personal commitment to students, and the ability to motivate, challenge, and inspire. This year's award recipients are:
Donna French
Senior Lecturer, Computer Science and Engineering
Melissa Walsh
Assistant Professor of Instruction, Biology

Piper Professor Nominee
Each year, the Minnie G. Stevens Piper Foundation awards 10 Texas Piper Professorships for outstanding scholarly and academic achievement and exemplary service to the University and the community. UTA's nominee will be recognized today with a plaque and an honorarium, and will represent the University in the statewide competition this fall. This year's UTA nominee is:
Ramon Lopez
Professor, Physics

William S. Ward Endowment Award
This prize was established to honor the life and contributions of UTA faculty member Bill Ward. It recognizes a non-tenure-track faculty member who has an exemplary work ethic, loves working with students, and makes a significant impact on enhancing the goals of the University. This year's recipient is:
Iya Price
Assistant Professor of Instruction, Linguistics and TESOL

Excellence in Doctoral Student Mentoring Award
This award, sponsored by the Office of Graduate Studies, is given to tenured or tenure-track faculty for outstanding mentoring of doctoral students. This year's award recipient is:
James "Jim" Warren
Associate Professor, English

President's Award for Transformative Online Education
This award recognizes an individual who is an outstanding instructor in the area of web-based distance education. This teacher has demonstrated excellence in distance education teaching, creating quality interaction with and showing exemplary responsiveness to UTA's digital learners. This year's award recipient is:
Christy Spivey
Clinical Professor, Economics

Outstanding Academic Advisor

UNDERGRADUATE FACULTY ADVISOR AWARD
Kaci O'Donnell
Lecturer, English
Runner Up
Linda Barasch
Professor of Instruction, Computer Science and Engineering

GRADUATE FACULTY ADVISOR AWARD
Gautam Eapli
Associate Professor of Instruction, Civil Engineering
Runner Up
Santos D'elismon
Clinical Associate Professor, Business Analytics
McNair Scholars Program
Faculty Mentors
The following faculty served as mentors for undergraduate students in the McNair Scholars Program during summer 2020.

Rebecca Chojnacki
Assistant Professor, Interdisciplinary Studies

Nancy England
Assistant Professor, English

Amy Farbin
Associate Professor, Physics

ulienne Greer
Assistant Professor, Theatre Arts and Dance

Young-Tae Kim
Associate Professor, Bioengineering

I-anli Liu
Professor, Bioengineering

Jennifer Miller
Assistant Professor, English

Dzislaw Musielak
Professor, Physics

Nicole Spoor
Faculty Associate, Library

Ianzhong Su
Professor, Mathematics

Matthew Walsh
Associate Professor, Biology

im Warren
Associate Professor, English

Nevin Weinberg
Associate Professor, Physics

Nur Yazdani
Professor, Civil Engineering

Faculty Affairs and The Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
The following faculty served as mentors for junior faculty during the 2021-22 academic year.

David Arditii
Associate Professor, Sociology and Anthropology

Donna Bacchus
Clinical Assistant Professor, Graduate Nursing

Karabi Bezborouh
Associate Professor, Public Affairs and Planning

Ann Cavallo
Professor, Center for Research on Teaching and Learning Excellence

Andrew Clark
Associate Professor, Communication

Christopher Conway
Professor, Modern Languages

Christoph Csallner
Professor, Computer Science and Engineering

Matthew Fujita
Associate Professor, Biology

Mohammad Hajaf
Associate Professor, Civil Engineering

Grace Hao
Associate Professor, Finance

Dustin Harp
Associate Professor, Communication and Women and Gender Studies

Jerry Hubbard
Director and Lecturer, Gouldy Leadership Academy

Holly Hungerford-Kresser
Associate Professor, Curriculum and Instruction

Anne Healy
Associate Professor, Theatre Arts and Dance

Vinayak Kaushal
Assistant Professor of Instruction, Civil Engineering

Cynthia Kilpatrick
Assistant Professor of Instruction, Linguistics and TESOL

Ashley Lemke
Assistant Professor, Sociology and Anthropology

Qing Lin
Associate Professor, Psychology

Robin Macaluso
Associate Professor, Chemistry and Biochemistry

Liliana Nordveld
Associate Professor, Management

David Rakowski
Associate Professor, Finance and Real Estate

Alicia Ruedo-Garcia
Associate Professor, Modern Languages

Salil Sarkar
Professor, Finance and Real Estate

Peggy Semingson
Associate Professor, Linguistics and TESOL

Kathleen Smits
Professor, Civil Engineering

Amy Speier
Associate Professor, Sociology and Anthropology

Laurel Stvan
Associate Professor, Linguistics and TESOL

Kamesh Subbarao
Professor, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Nilakshi Veerabathina
Associate Professor of Instruction, Physics

Ling Xu
Associate Professor, School of Social Work

Professional Learning Community (2021-22)

FELLOWS

Karla Arenas-Itoia
Assistant Professor of Practice, School of Social Work

Kim Bruer
Associate Professor of Instruction, History

Christopher Candreva
Clinical Assistant Professor, Economics

Karishma Chatterjee
Assistant Professor of Instruction, Communication

Maureen Courtney
Associate Professor, Graduate Nursing

Molly Cummins
Lecturer, Communication

Traci Freding
Associate Professor, Marketing

Roger Gans
Assistant Professor, Communication

Kiva Harper
Associate Professor of Practice, School of Social Work

Amy Hodges
Assistant Professor, English

Fajer Jaafari
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Physics

Ritu Khanduri
Associate Professor, Sociology and Anthropology

Cynthia Kilpatrick
Assistant Professor of Instruction, Linguistics and TESOL

Nali Kim
Teaching Innovation Research Associate, CRTLE
Maverick Advantage Faculty Engagement (2021-22)

**FELLOWS**

James S. Andrews  
*Assistant Professor of Instruction, History*

Erin Bowen  
*Professor, Psychology*

Kimberly Breuer  
*Associate Professor of Instruction, History*

Stephanie Cole  
*Associate Professor, History*

Agnes Deleawe  
*Clinical Assistant Professor, Undergraduate Nursing*

Thomas Dombrowsky  
*Clinical Associate Professor, Undergraduate Nursing*

Hyesun Jeong  
*Assistant Professor, Architecture*

Amanda Jordan  
*Lecturer, Communication*

Carie Kapellusch  
*Lecturer, Communication*

Jennifer Roye  
*Clinical Assistant Professor, Undergraduate Nursing*

Sarah Shelton  
*Senior Lecturer, English*

Whitney Tholen  
*Assistant Professor of Instruction, Biology*

Matthew Walsh  
*Associate Professor, Biology*

Melissa Walsh  
*Assistant Professor of Instruction, Biology*

**FACILITATORS**

LaDonna Aiken  
*Sociology, Communication*

Karishma Chatterjee  
*Assistant Professor of Instruction, Communication*

Danielle Klein  
*Director of New Student Courses, Division of Student Success*

Andrew Milson  
*Professor, History*

Joyce Myers  
*Clinical Assistant Professor, Curriculum and Instruction*

Center for Service Learning (2021-22)

**FELLOWS**

Lauren Brewer  
*Clinical Assistant Professor, Marketing*

Monica De La Fuente Iglesias  
*Assistant Professor, Modern Languages*

Andrew Milson  
*Professor, History*

Nicole Nguyen  
*Academic Advisor, Division of Student Success*

Rosa Téllez  
*Senior Lecturer, Modern Languages*

Mari Tietze  
*Professor, Graduate Nursing*

Joshua Wilson  
*Assistant Professor, Art and Art History*

Cynthia Woody  
*Clinical Assistant Professor, Educational Leadership and Policy Studies*

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Amanda Alexander  
*Professor, Art and Art History Associate*

Center for Research on Teaching and Learning Excellence (2021-22)

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*Associate Professor, Curriculum and Instruction*

Jerry Hubbard  
*Director and Lecturer, Geohistory Leadership Academy*

Cynthia Kilpatrick  
*Associate Professor of Instruction, Linguistics and TESOL*

Robin Macaluso  
*Associate Professor, Chemistry and Biochemistry*

Kendra Wallis  
*Associate Professor of Instruction, Materials Science and Engineering*

Faculty Development Leave (2020-21)

Georgios Alexandrakis  
*Associate Professor, Bioengineering*

C.Y. Choi  
*Professor, Economics*

Junha Jeon  
*Associate Professor, Chemistry and Biochemistry*

Karen Kenaston-French  
*Professor, Music*

Ashley Lemke  
*Associate Professor, Sociology and Anthropology*

Erin Murrah-Mandril  
*Associate Professor, English*

Hyeong-Moo Shin  
*Assistant Professor, Earth and Environmental Sciences*

Jack Unzicker  
*Associate Professor, Music*

Jeffrey Witzel  
*Associate Professor, Linguistics and TESOL*
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