



FACULTY AWARDS

SPRING MEETING OF THE FACULTY AND ASSOCIATES

April 26, 2022



THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
AT ARLINGTON

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 receives 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 Bezboruah
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

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Kaci O'Donnell
Lecturer, English

Runner Up

Linda Barasch
Professor of Instruction, Computer Science and Engineering

GRADUATE FACULTY ADVISOR AWARD

Gautam Eapi
Associate Professor of Instruction, Civil Engineering

Runner Up

Santoso Budiman
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

*Adjunct Assistant Professor,
Interdisciplinary Studies*

Nancy England

Adjunct Assistant Professor, English

Amy Farbin

Associate Professor, Physics

Julienne Greer

Assistant Professor, Theatre Arts and Dance

Young-Tae Kim

Associate Professor, Bioengineering

Jianli Liu

Professor, Bioengineering

Jennifer Miller

Adjunct Assistant Professor, English

Zdzislaw Musielak

Professor, Physics

Nicole Spoor

Faculty Associate, Library

Fanzhong Su

Professor, Mathematics

Matthew Walsh

Associate Professor, Biology

Jim 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 Arditi

Associate Professor, Sociology and Anthropology

Donna Bacchus

Clinical Assistant Professor, Graduate Nursing

Karabi Berboruah

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 Hajafi

Associate Professor, Civil Engineering

Grace Hao

Associate Professor, Finance

Dustin Harp

*Associate Professor, Communication
and Women and Gender Studies*

Jerry Hubbard

*Director and Lecturer, Goolsby
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 Nordtvedt

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 Semington

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-Iotia

*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 Freling

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

Heather Phillip
Clinical Assistant Professor, Marketing

Amber Raley
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Planning and Public Affairs

De'An Roper
Assistant Professor of Practice, School of Social Work

Donna Schuman
Assistant Professor, School of Social Work

Sheree Shavel
Assistant Professor of Practice, School of Social Work

Christy Spivey
Clinical Professor, Economics

Martin Wallace
Senior Experiential Learning Librarian, UTA Libraries

Diane Waryas-Hughey
Director of Assessment and Accreditation, Office of Institutional Effectiveness and Reporting

Cynthia Woody
Director of Field Experiences and Online Programs, College of Education

Jiyoon Yoon
Associate Professor, Curriculum and Instruction

FACILITATORS

Melanie Mason
Adjunct Professor, Communication

Andrew Milson
Professor, History

Peggy Semingson
Associate Professor, Linguistics and TESOL

Nilakshi Veerabathina
Associate Professor of Instruction, Physics

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 Royce
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
Specialist, 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 Tellez
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

FACILITATOR

Amanda Alexander
Professor, Art and Art History Associate

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

FACILITATORS

Carla Amaro-Jimenez
Associate Professor, Curriculum and Instruction

Jerry Hubbard
Director and Lecturer, Goolsby Leadership Academy

Cynthia Kilpatrick
Assistant 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
Assistant Professor, Sociology and Anthropology

Erin Murrah-Mandril
Associate Professor, English

Hyeon-Moo Shin
Assistant Professor, Earth and Environmental Sciences

Jack Unzicker
Associate Professor, Music

Jeffrey Witzel
Associate Professor, Linguistics and TESOL

Research Enhancement Program Grants for 2022-2023

Brittanie Ash <i>Assistant Professor</i> School of Social Work	Our and Engaged at UTA: The Impacts of the LGBTQ+ Residential Learning Community	Bree Jimenez <i>Associate Professor</i> Department of Curriculum and Instruction	Learning Communities Engaged in Evidence-Based Decision-Making (LEED)
Amanda Aykanian <i>Assistant Professor</i> School of Social Work	A National Survey of Homeless Service Providers in the United States	Chen Kan <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Industrial, Manufacturing, and Systems Engineering	Robot-Enabled Monitoring for Active & Cost-Effective Process Authentication of Cyber-Physical Additive Manufacturing
Ziyad Ben Taleb <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Kinesiology	The Impact of JUUL Vaping on Muscle Sympathetic Activity and Subjective Experiences Among E-cigarette Users	Yijing Xie <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Electrical Engineering	
Annie Daly <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Curriculum and Instruction	Advancing Racial Reflections & Culturally Relevant Pedagogy Using Retrospective Video Analysis & Critically Engaged Dialogue in K-8 Literacy Instruction	Atefe Makhmalbaf <i>Assistant Professor</i> School of Architecture	Inclusive & Equitable Occupant-Driven Building Energy Management System
Wideline Seraphin <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Curriculum and Instruction		Souvik Roy <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Mathematics	A U-Net Based Game-Theoretic Framework for Superior Reconstructions in Quantitative Photoacoustic Tomography
Roger Gans <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Communication	Can We Change the Story About Vaccination Hesitancy? Use the Narrative Persuasion to Overcome Partisan and Non-Partisan Resistance	Donna Schuman <i>Assistant Professor</i> School of Social Work	Exploring Virtual Reality Adventure Training Exergaming (V-RAVE) on Women Veterans' Health Outcomes
Ivy Hauser <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Linguistics and TESOL	Imitation of Phonetic Variability in Native and Non-Native Speech	Xiangli Gu <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Kinesiology	
Oswald Jenewein <i>Assistant Professor</i> School of Architecture	Coastal Vulnerability Atlas: Identifying Climate Change Drivers, Hazards, & Impacts in Texas' Coastal Bend Region	Jiwon Suh <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Public Affairs and Planning	Still a Forgotten Minority? The Barriers & Challenges of Asian-American Executive Director Led Nonprofit Organization
Karabi Bezhoruah <i>Associate Professor</i> Department of Public Affairs and Planning			
Michelle Hummel <i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Civil Engineering			

Climate Risk and Household Wealth

Sriram Villupuram

Associate Professor

Department of Finance and Real Estate

Ramya Aroul

Assistant Professor

Department of Finance and Real Estate

Sanjiv Sabherwal

Professor

Department of Finance and Real Estate

Liao Yue

Assistant Professor

Department of Kinesiology

Physical Activity, Sleep, and Social Determinants
of Health in Black and Hispanic Women of
Reproductive Age: Implications for Future
Digital Health Behavioral Interventions

Gabriela Wilson

Professor

Department of Kinesiology

Liwei Zhang

Assistant Professor

Department of Mechanical and
Aerospace Engineering

A Computational Study of Detonation
Wave Propagation in Annular Channels