

Faculty **Volume**



April 2024

April Faculty Spotlight



**April 2024 Faculty Spotlight:
Dr. Jennifer Collins-Elliott**

Dr. Jennifer Collins-Elliott, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Religious Studies seeks to "meet students where they are" in her teaching practice.

Please read her spotlight to learn more about how she does this as well as her educational background, experiences with students, and her thoughts about the future of higher education.

[Read More about Dr. Jennifer Collins-Elliott](#)

[Nominate a Faculty Member!](#)

April Graduate Student Spotlight



April 2024 Graduate Student Spotlight: George Fields

George Fields says that while his educational path seems linear, it is not as it appears. Click the button below to read all about George's teaching journey and his educational background and experiences at UT.

[Read More about George Fields](#)

[Nominate a Graduate Student!](#)



TLI Announces the Faculty Innovator Award: Apply Now!

Are you engaging in exciting and innovative teaching pedagogy in your classroom? Would you like to inspire your peers? If so, TLI is looking for you!

TLI seeks applicants for its new Faculty Innovator award program. Instructors chosen to participate will complete an interview with us and that interview will be used to create a video that will be added to our new video repository.

The program will take place in May. After providing participants with the interview questions and other information, they will be

asked to complete and provide the following:

- An interview with a TLI staff member
- At least one supporting document (assignment, syllabus, assessment, lesson plan, etc.)
- Permission to post your video

Upon completion of these deliverables by the end of May, participants will receive \$500 in additional pay in June.

To apply for a Faculty Innovator award, please send the following information to tli@utk.edu by April 28, 2024 at 11:59PM:

- Name
- Department
- Position
- Describe the innovative pedagogical method you are currently employing in your classroom. (250 words max)
- How have students responded to this approach?/What have the results been? (100 words max)

New Resource: Teaching With Generative Artificial Intelligence at UTK Hub

TLI, along with the UTK Libraries, and the Office of Digital Learning co-hosts a SharePoint Hub where you can find current information and resources related to teaching with AI. Please click the button below to access the webpage.

[Teaching with Artificial Intelligence at UTK](#)



Please visit our [Spring 2024 Workshops and Programs](#) webpage for

information on our workshop series and learning communities.

TLI's Areas of Excellence Workshop Series: Experiential Learning Workshop

Thursday April 18th | 2:00pm – 3:30pm | Zoom

This workshop is designed to promote experiential learning opportunities by discussing the course designation system for service-learning, undergraduate research, and internships. During the workshop, guests will discuss the value of experiential learning courses, the process of applying for a course designation, and other relevant information.

[Registration Link](#)



Don't Forget...TLI is Here to Help!

You can always request TLI support in a variety of areas via **our Service Request form**. We offer several services for both individual instructors, as well as departments and colleges, including:

- Classroom Observations
- Course Design
- Document & Material Review
- Mid-Course Feedback
- End of Course Evaluation
- Scholarship of Teaching & Learning Support

[Request Support from TLI](#)

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