

Faculty **Volume**



February 2024

February Faculty Spotlight



February 2024 Faculty Spotlight:

Dr. Beau Gaitors

Dr. Beau Gaitors, Assistant Professor of World History, seeks to create a learning environment for his students where they collaborate and learn from one another while using their own voice to contribute to knowledge production. Click the link below to learn more!

[Read More about Dr. Gaitors](#)

[Nominate a Faculty Member!](#)

February Graduate Student Spotlight

February 2024 Graduate Student



Spotlight: Avery Blockmon

"I have had a lot of amazing teachers in my past that have helped me... get to where I am today, and I strive to continue doing that for the next generation as well!" says Avery Blockmon, a doctoral student in the Department of Chemistry. To learn more, click the link below!

[Read More about Avery Blockmon](#)

[Nominate a Graduate Student!](#)



Announcing the First Annual UTK Teaching Values Summit

Monday March 25, 2024

10:00am - 2:45pm

Student Union Room 272 B/C Pilot Ballroom B/C

Student Union Room 362 A/B/C

Teaching & Learning Innovation is proud to present our inaugural UTK Teaching Values Summit, an in-person event preceding our 2024 online Innovative Teaching & Learning Conference. This event provides our campus community an opportunity to learn and think together about teaching at UTK! **Featured sessions include Developing Teaching Principles for UTK and**

Reconsidering Teaching Evaluations at UTK. The Summit will conclude with a Teaching with Artificial Intelligence Showcase. Lunch will be served. [For the tentative schedule, click here.](#) To register for this event and/or the Innovative Teaching & Learning Conference, click on the button below.

Registration for the UTK Teaching Values Summit

Ready... Set... Register for the Innovative Teaching & Learning Conference TODAY!

It's time to register for TLI's 2024 Innovative Teaching & Learning Conference! The conference will take place on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 (8:45am – 5pm). We are grateful to share that 45 presentations will be offered this year, and we will be announcing the conference schedule soon. To register, click on the link below.

Register for ITLC

ITLC Moderators Needed!

We need UTK faculty, staff, or student volunteers to moderate ITLC sessions! [Click here to volunteer to serve as a moderator, with options for morning or afternoon.](#)

2024 SoTL Funding Support Program: Call for Applications

TLI is issuing a call for proposals to all faculty for its annual Scholarship of Teaching & Learning (SoTL) Funding Support

Program. This program is intended to support a wide range of faculty, at all stages of SoTL projects.

For more information, visit the 2024 SoTL Funding Support Program page today! **The application deadline is Sunday, March 24 at 11:59pm.**

Click the link below to learn more!

2024 SoTL Funding Support Program

2024 May Curriculum Refresh Collaborative: Call for Applications

TLI is excited to announce that applications are open for the May 2024 Curriculum Refresh Collaborative. This funded faculty development opportunity seeks to bring together teams of **3-5 faculty members** to refresh the curriculum for one course or a two-course series. Teams will work with a TLI coach and a faculty coach during the **May Miniterm**, and participating teams will receive \$3500, split evenly among team members, upon completion of the program. **The application deadline is Sunday, March 24 at 11:59pm.**

May 2024 CRC



TLI is offering exciting upcoming events. For more information on our full schedule, visit our [Spring 2024 Workshops and Programs](#)

webpage.

Black Voices in Academia

Thursday, February 29 | 4:00 – 5:30 pm | Fred Brown Hall | Rm. 146 B/C

Join us for a panel discussion where distinguished Black faculty members share their unique journeys and offer guidance for graduate and professional students who are navigating the challenges of postgraduate education.

[Learn More: Black Voices in Academia](#)

TLI's Areas of Excellence Workshop Series

Human Subjects Considerations for SoTL Projects (Co-hosted by IRB Staff)

Tuesday, March 5 | 12:00 – 1:30 pm | Zoom

[Registration Link](#)



Mark your Calendars!
2024 Faculty Appreciation Week:
Feb 27 – March 2

We look forward to seeing all of you next week during Faculty Appreciation Week! In particular, we look forward to hosting you for our annual **Faculty Appreciation Luncheon on Tuesday,**

February 27th, where [Dr. Tyvi Small, Vice Chancellor, Access and Engagement](#) will be our keynote speaker. We will also have a panel of students who will share how faculty members have made a difference for them during their time at UT.

[Click here for the 2024 Faculty Appreciation Week Schedule](#)

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

TLI's **Service Request Program** is here to help you meet your teaching and learning needs. 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](#)



This month, there are many exciting opportunities to honor Black cultural contributions and achievements throughout history at UT's annual Black History Month Celebration. Click the button to learn more.

[Remaining BHM Campus Events](#)

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