January 2023

January Faculty Spotlight

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Dr. Elisabeth Schussler

Dr. Elisabeth Schussler, Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology and 2022-2023 Faculty Senate President, believes in getting students curious enough that they will not only remember class material but also explore more biological topics that interest them after they leave her class. Read her bio to learn about all the ways she is re-shaping the biology classroom, at the link below.

Read More about Dr. Schussler

Nominate a Faculty Member!

January Graduate Student Spotlight
January 2023 Graduate Student Spotlight: Daniel Murphy

"I feel like I now have the necessary tools to become the kind of educator I always wanted to be," says Daniel Murphy, a Ph.D. Student in the department of Physics & Astronomy. Click the link to read all about how CIRTL F.U.E.L. helped Murphy translate his passion for astronomy into engaging classes that encourage students to participate with him in the act of learning.

Read More about Daniel Murphy
Nominate a Graduate Student!

TLI Spring 2023 Workshops and Programs Are Here!

This spring, we are offering 5 workshop series to meet the needs of our stakeholders:
1. Lifelong Learning Book Club

2. Reclaiming the Joy in Teaching

3. Scholarship of Teaching and Learning

4. Introduction to Online Teaching Certification Seminar

5. CIRTL F.U.E.L.

Additionally, we offered our new Curriculum Refresh Collaborative (CRC) program which took place over the 2022-23 winter mini term. More information on this program and the 2023 CRC participants can be found on our site.

Click the button below to read more about all the programs and events we are offering this spring, such as our Graduate Professional Student Appreciation Week Workshops, Coffee Break with the Colleges, and Faculty Appreciation Week Luncheon.

Learn More About Our Spring Workshops and Programs

Proposal Submissions for Innovative Teaching & Learning Conference Deadline Extended

This is a friendly reminder to our colleagues that we have moved our deadline to submit a conference proposal to Friday, January 27th, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. We are still looking forward to seeing all of you at this year’s conference which will be held virtually on Thursday, March 23, 2023. Registration information will be shared soon!

If you would like more information about the proposal process, conference tracks, proposal format options, and more, visit our Innovative Teaching and Learning Conference Webpage.
TLI is offering 5 series of workshops this semester! For more information, visit our Spring 2023 Workshops and Programs webpage.

Teaching & Time Management Virtual Event

Hosted by the National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity

Wednesday, February 15th | 12:00pm – 2:00 pm

Zoom Registration Link

About this workshop

- In partnership with the Office of the Provost, and as part of the Faculty Vitality workshop series hosted by the Division of Faculty Affairs and TLI’s Reclaiming the Joy in Teaching workshop series, the National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity will lead a new professional development experience entitled, “Teaching & Time Management: How to Manage Your Time So You Can
Teach Efficiently and Effectively and Have a Life Beyond the Ivory Tower”. Dr. Lisa Hanasono, Associate Professor of Communications at Bowling Green State University will lead this experience.

Life Long Learning Book Club
Monday, February 13th | 1:00pm – 2:00 pm | Zoom | Registration Link

About this Workshop

- UT Libraries, the Department of Psychology, and Teaching and Learning Innovation invite anyone from UT to participate in the Lifelong Learning Book Club this Spring 2023 semester. This upcoming Spring 2023 semester, we will be reading Relationship-Rich Education: How Human Connections Drive Success in College By Peter Felten & Leo M. Lambert. Dr. Felten will be the keynote speaker at the 2023 Innovative Teaching and Learning Conference hosted by TLI on March 23rd, 2023. This is a great opportunity to become familiar with his work. He may also attend one of the book club sessions! This book club aims to promote a community of support around lifelong learning for teachers and students alike. So faculty, staff, and students are all welcome!

- To access the book and learn more about this workshop, visit The UTK Libraries Website.
Artificial Intelligence in the Classroom

TLI, along with several other offices and units across the university, recognize the growing interest in artificial intelligence and its many consequential impacts it might have on teaching and learning on all levels. Therefore, we have developed this webpage as a resource for faculty members, graduate students, and members of our campus community to use in order to learn more about this topic, and how to successfully navigate it and/or harness it to enhance the classes that you teach.

Visit the new AI in the Classroom Webpage

Helpful New Semester Reminders

TLI is here to help with all of you new semester teaching and learning needs. Below is a short list of recommended resources to consider as you establish an inclusive and welcome learning environment for your students!

- [Spring 2023 Syllabus](#) Resources
- [Teaching Fundamentals](#) Resources
- Planning [Effective Classroom Assessments](#) Resources
- [Inclusive Teaching](#) Resources
Don't Forget...TLI is Here to Help!

TLI's Service Request Program (formerly TLI's Consultation 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

Learn More About Our Service Request Program

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