



CELEBRATION OF
TEACHING



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CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE IN
TEACHING AND LEARNING

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Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for joining us for the 2nd Annual *Celebration of Teaching*. This event is designed to elevate and amplify teaching practices and recognize faculty as they cultivate student success at KSU.

Today, we elevate and recognize 425 educators who have engaged in a variety of initiatives aimed at improving teaching practices to enhance student success. This year we are amplifying the concepts of engaging in small teaching practices (targeted, evidence-based practices to make an impact on student success) and the scholarship of teaching and learning (SoTL). We have 289 educators who will be honored today as part of the Expanding the NEST recognition program, and 51 educators will be honored as part of the inaugural KSU SoTL Scaffold. To further spread the message of SoTL, we welcome Dr. Laura Cruz as our keynote speaker today.

Dr. Laura Cruz is a distinguished scholar in SoTL. She has served as the editor of five teaching and learning journals, including her current appointment as co-editor of the Journal of General Education. She is the co-editor of 3 recent books: *The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in the Health Professions* (volumes 1 and 2) (Wiley, 2024) and the forthcoming volume *An Applied Introduction to the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning* (Indiana University Press, 2025).

We hope you enjoy this opportunity to gather and celebrate with your colleagues today. Thank you for your continued efforts to enhance your teaching practices to impact student success.



Dr. Michele DiPietro
Executive Director for Faculty Development, Recognition and the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning

SCHEDULE

Carmichael Student Center, University Rooms

10:00 a.m. Welcome from President Kathy S. Schwaig and Provost Ivan Pulinkala

10:15 a.m. Honors for Faculty

Dr. Michele DiPietro, Executive Director for Faculty Development,
Recognition and the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning

- Starting Blocks - Student Success Champions
- Course Redesign Participants
- Affordable Learning Georgia Grant Faculty Recipients
- uHoo Analytics: Faculty as Learning Scientists Digital Certificates Recipients
- Governor's Teaching Fellows
- Teaching Award Winners in the previous year
- Expanding the NEST Advocates
- Expanding the NEST Innovators
- Expanding the NEST Champions

Dr. Hillary Steiner, Associate Director for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning

- SoTL Manuscript Completion Program Participants
- SoTL Summit Presenters
- KSU SoTL Scaffold Learners
- KSU SoTL Scaffold Scholars
- KSU SoTL Scaffold Leaders

11:00 a.m. Keynote Speaker | Dr. Laura Cruz

12:30 p.m. Celebration of Teaching Reception and SoTL Poster Session

Prillaman, 1001 (Indoor Plaza)

2:00 p.m. Teaching with Respect Workshop

Dr. Rebecca Weaver, CETL Teaching and Learning Consultant

Dr. Carmen Skaggs, Assistant Vice Provost

3:30 p.m. Program Concludes

Dr. Carmen Skaggs, Assistant Vice Provost

2025-2026 Starting Blocks Student Success Champions

Starting Blocks Student Success Champions engaged in a series of professional development opportunities related to strategies for teaching, learning, and student engagement that support student success in first-year, block-scheduled courses. The champions developed events and resources to help other faculty begin to implement these strategies in those block courses offered by their departments and colleges. Collectively, all the champions contribute resources they develop toward composing a resource repository that will be available on-demand for all faculty at KSU.

Fred Carroll | Department of History and Philosophy

Will Carter | Department of English

Betty Kretlow | Department of Software Engineering and Game Development

Carolee Larsen | Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Michael Laws | Department of Mathematics

2025 Course Redesign Institute Participants



Course Redesign Institute participants engaged in putting theory into practice while developing new course plans and assignments. Through a combination of individual work and collaboration with peers, participants developed syllabi, objectives, course mapping documents, learner-centered activities, assessments, and/or rubrics to improve the design of their courses.



Anja Bernardy | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Ian Dunham | School of Communication and Media

Meredith Ginn | School of Communication and Media

Bryn Gravitt | Department of English

John Greene | Department of English

Rochelle Lene Harris Cox | Department of English

Ulrike K. Ingram | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Sarah Johnson | School of Communication and Media

Hyun Ji Kim | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Carmen Madison | School of Communication and Media

Ruth McIntyre | Department of English

Katharine Schaab | Interdisciplinary Studies Department

Xiaohui Shi | Department of Mathematics

Valerie Smith | Department of English

Miriam Brown Spiers | Department of English

Porntip Israsena Twishime | Department of Theatre and Performance Studies

Affordable Learning Georgia Grant Recipients

Recipients of Affordable Learning Georgia grants have demonstrated teaching excellence by creating and modifying Open Educational Resources (freely accessible, openly licensed course materials that significantly reduce the financial burden on students while enhancing the quality of instruction) to not only advance disciplinary knowledge but also to embrace innovative, inclusive, and accessible design practices that reflect a deep commitment to student success and course affordability.

Sultan Alshafian | Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Patrick Bobbie | Department of Computer Science

Kristina Clement | KSU Library System - Kennesaw

Bobin Deng | Department of Computer Science

Chelsee Dickson | KSU Library System - Kennesaw

William Forsyth | Department of Information Technology

Kelly Francis | Bailey School of Music

Bryn Gravitt | Department of English

Chanler Hilley | Department of Psychological Science

Laura Howard | Department of English

Da Hu | Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Leonard Jackson | Michael A. Leven School of Management, Entrepreneurship and Hospitality

Femi Jayeola | KSU Library System - Kennesaw

Jin Jo | KSU Library System - Kennesaw

Parminder Kaur Juneja | Department of Construction Management

Adam Kaplan | Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Olga Koz | KSU Library System - Kennesaw

Jayhyun Kwon | Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Jeanne Law | Department of English

Zhigang Li | Department of Information Technology

Dan Lo | Department of Computer Science

Ruth McIntyre | Department of English

Affordable Learning Georgia Grant Recipients



Pavan Meadati | Department of Construction Management

Darin Morrow | Department of Information Technology

Nick Murphy | Department of Software Engineering and Game Development

Tu Nguyen | Department of Computer Science

Seyedamin Pouriyeh | Department of Information Technology

Tamara Powell | Department of English

Kelley Price | Digital Learning Innovation

Collins Puckett | Department of English

Hansol Rheem | Department of Psychological Science

Nazmus Sakib | Department of Information Technology

Youngguk Seo | Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Yong Shi | Department of Computer Science

Amanda Shoemake | Department of English

Kun Suo | Department of Computer Science

Shirley Tian | Department of Information Technology

Denise Tucker | Department of Information Technology

Anete Vasquez | Department of Secondary and Middle Grades Education

Ben Wadsworth | Bailey School of Music

Jacob Westberry | Department of English

Amanda Wolfe | Department of Psychological Science

Chloe Xie | Department of Information Technology

Ying Xie | Department of Information Technology

Ming Yang | Department of Information Technology

Jeff Yunek | Bailey School of Music

Xinyue Zhang | Department of Computer Science

Chen Zhao | Department of Computer Science

Jack Zheng | Department of Information Technology

Dianhan Zheng | Department of Psychological Science

uHoo Analytics: Faculty as Learning Scientists Digital Certificates

An essential component of teaching excellence is reflection, used to improve course design and course delivery. The uHoo Analytics: Faculty as Learning Scientists Digital Certificate is the culmination of completing all four KSU learning analytics microcredentials including: Introduction to uHoo Analytics, Learning Analytics 101, Faculty as Learning Scientists: Student Support, and Faculty as Learning Scientists: Course Optimization. Earners have demonstrated knowledge of learning analytics and how to interpret and analyze analytics to improve success of their students and continuously improve their course materials and strategies.

Christopher Allen | Department of Psychological Science

Brent Amelingmeier | Wellstar School of Nursing

Lythia Amoakon | School of Data Science and Analytics

Kristi Anderson | Department of English

Carla Andrews | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Rhonda Baldonado | Interdisciplinary Studies Department

Mindy Bernhardt | Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Angelo Brown | Michael A. Leven School of Management, Entrepreneurship and Hospitality

Juston Bryant | Department of Information Technology

Will Carter | Department of English

Carolina Casares | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Donna Cochran | Department of English

Emain Collins | Department of English

Jennifer Cooper | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Lynette Coto | Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Joel Crombez | Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Nicki Davis-Cosby | Department of English

Abigail Dimercurio | Department of Psychological Science

Oumar Diop | Department of English

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Cristen Dutcher | School of Accountancy

Mary Grace Elliott | Department of English

Tiffini Eugene | Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology

Matthew Ezewudo | Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology

Madelyn Fox-Defago | Department of English

Dylan Goldblatt | Office of Research

Bryn Gravitt | Department of English

Emily Griner | Department of Psychological Science

Nafiseh Haghtalab | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Susan Hardy | School of Data Science and Analytics

Christi Harp | School of Instructional Technology and Innovation

Alison Hedrick | Department of Information Systems

Peter Henricks | Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Carole Hollingsworth | Department of Information Systems

Elizabeth Hornsey | Department of English

Carol Hulsey | School of Accountancy

Ulrike K. Ingram | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Anisa Jahangiri | Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology

Alan Jones | Wellstar School of Nursing

John Laaman | Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology

Elicia Lair | Department of Psychological Science

Michael Laws | Department of Mathematics

Dori Leeman | Department of Theatre and Performance Studies

Rebecca LeFebvre | School of Government International Affairs

Amelia Lewis | Department of English

Matt Marshall | Department of Mechatronics Engineering

Brent McDaniel | Department of Physics

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- Ruth McIntyre** | Department of English
 - Mary Lou Morris** | School of Accountancy
 - Karlyn Mueller-Hill** | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology
 - Julianne Noble-Healy** | Office of the Dean - Bagwell College of Education
 - Obioku Obotette** | Department of Software Engineering and Game Development
 - Irina Pashchenko** | Department of Mathematics
 - Amanda Pratt** | Department of English
 - Chris Prince** | Department of English
 - Benedikt Quosigk** | School of Accountancy
 - Dayna Reed** | Department of Marketing and Professional Sales
 - Matthew Rood** | Department of English
 - Laura Ruhala** | Department of Mechanical Engineering
 - Ben Rybolt** | Department of Physics
 - Cathy Schnakenburg** | Department of Mathematics
 - Lavanya Sekar** | Department of Software Engineering and Game Development
 - Jeff Setzer** | Department of Construction Management
 - Xiaohui Shi** | Department of Mathematics
 - Yvonne Single** | Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry
 - Erin Sledd** | Department of English
 - Aleksandra Starcevic** | Department of World Languages and Cultures
 - David Stollberg** | Department of Engineering Technology
 - Francesco Strazzullo** | Department of Mathematics
 - Jason Strom** | Department of Engineering Technology
 - Christopher Sumner** | Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry
 - Christopher Thompson** | School of Communication and Media
 - Cameron Trinh** | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology
 - Jun Tu** | Department of Geography and Anthropology

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 **Anete Vasquez** | Department of Secondary and Middle Grades Education

Seneca Vaught | Department of History and Philosophy

Alfredo Villanueva Cueva | Department of Mathematics

Geetika Vyas | Department of Information Technology

Matthew T. Waller | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Kimberly Watkins | Department of Psychological Science

Jia Wei | Department of Information Systems

Ashlie Wells | Department of English

James Williams | Department of Psychological Science

Yujia Xie | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Governor's Teaching Fellows

The Governor's Teaching Fellows Program assumes the complex challenge of moving college faculty members toward the leading edge of instructional practice. Faculty across the state of Georgia can apply through a competitive selection process to participate in either an academic year symposium or summer symposium to improve instruction at their campus.

Academic Year Symposium 2025-2026

Daniel Rogers | Department of Psychological Science

Professor of Psychology

May Symposium 2025

Alison Hedrick | Department of Information Systems

Principal Lecturer of Information Systems

Teaching Award Winners

KSU has a robust faculty recognition program where we have historically recognized our faculty with awards in several categories related to teaching. Faculty are also selected as candidates for the University System of Georgia (USG) Regents' Excellence awards.

The following faculty were honored with teaching related awards at KSU and USG in 2025:

University Distinguished Professor Award

Roxanne Donovan | Department of Psychological Science & Interdisciplinary Studies Department

Outstanding Teaching Award

Stephen M. Bartlett | Department of History and Philosophy

Ayse Tekes | Department of Mechanical Engineering

Outstanding Online Teaching Award

Dabae Lee | School of Instructional Technology and Innovation

Outstanding Part-time Teaching Award

Carlos Perez | School of Art and Design

Outstanding Early Career Faculty Award

Mahmoud Asmar | Department of Physics

Kristin Horan | Department of Psychological Science

Conference USA Faculty Achievement Award

May Hongmei Gao | School of Communication and Media

USG Regents' Teaching Excellence Award for Department or Program

Geography and Geospatial Sciences Program

Expanding the NEST Recognition Program

CTEL recognizes and celebrates faculty and staff at KSU who have made significant efforts to engage in evidence-based practices known to promote student success. We recognize three categories of KSU educators and non-teaching staff who have demonstrated strong commitments to cultivating student success: Champions, Innovators, and Advocates.

Eligibility	Faculty/Educators	Non-Teaching Staff
<i>Champion</i>	25 NEST Practices	8 NEST Practices
<i>Innovator</i>	15 NEST Practices	5 NEST Practices
<i>Advocate</i>	6 NEST Practices	3 NEST Practices

Expanding the NEST Advocates

Bob Brown | Department of Information Technology

Daphney Carter | Department of Exercise Science and Sport Management

Mark Chastain | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Debra DeWitt | WellStar School of Nursing

Dylan Gaines | Department of Computer Science

Richard Gesick | Department of Software Engineering and Game Development

Juanne Greene | Michael A. Leven School of Management, Entrepreneurship and Hospitality

Shannon Hall | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Laura Jones | Department of Exercise Science and Sport Management

Lori Joseph | Department of Mathematics

Gennadiy Kemelmakher | Department of Information Technology

Randy Kennedy | Intercollegiate Athletics - Advising

Salim Kortobi | Department of Mechanical Engineering

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Expanding the NEST: Advocates (continued)

Albert Lee | Department of English

David A. Levine | Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Kayre Lupo | Department of Technical Communication and Interactive Design

Tom Rotnem | School of Government and International Affairs

Ben Rybolt | Department of Physics

Christina Scherrer | Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering

Rajesh Sigdel | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Carlisa Simon | Department of Psychological Science

Erin Sledd | Department of English

Kathleen Tatro | Department of Health Promotion and Physical Education

Matthew T. Waller | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Alexis Rudell Whiddon | WellStar School of Nursing

Expanding the NEST: Innovators

Erin Adams | Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education

Sanjeev Adhikari | Department of Construction Management

Antwan Aiken | Department of Social Work and Human Services

Audrey Wilson Allison | School of Communication and Media

Janeen Amazon | Wellstar School of Nursing

Brent Amelingmeier | Wellstar School of Nursing

Nafisa Anjum | Department of Information Technology

Ashish Aphale | Department of Mechanical Engineering

Philip Aust | School of Communication and Media

Meghan Bankhead | Department of Psychological Science

Erinn Bariteau | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Katherine Barnett | Wellstar School of Nursing

Roxanne Bennett | Wellstar School of Nursing

Anja Bernardy | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Shadi Beshai | Department of Psychological Science

Debra Bethard-Caplick | School of Communication and Media

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Expanding the NEST Innovators (continued)

Tavishi Bhasin | School of Government and International Affairs

Emma Bishop | School of Communication and Media

Kathryn Bledsoe | Department of English

Laura Boman | Department of Marketing and Professional Sales

Constance Briggs | Department of English

Stephen Brincks | Department of Economics, Finance & Quantitative Analysis

Benjamin Brooks | Interdisciplinary Studies Department

Tyra Burton | Department of Marketing and Professional Sales

Charity Butcher | School of Conflict Management, Peacebuilding and Development

Sarah Caffrey | Wellstar School of Nursing

Kadian M. Callahan | Department of Mathematics

Fred Carroll | Department of History and Philosophy

Will Carter | Department of English

Arturo Matute Castro | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Mackenzie Cato | School of Communication and Media

Sandee Chandler | Department of Mathematics

Sangsun Choi | School of Communication and Media

Kristina Clement | KSU Library System - Kennesaw

Donna Colebeck | School of Art and Design

Jennifer Cooper | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Renata Creekmur | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Lance Crimm | Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Ana-Maria Croicu | Department of Mathematics

Brian Culp | Department of Health Promotion and Physical Education

Miriam Cummings | Wellstar School of Nursing

Allison Davis | Department of English

Kyle DeAnna | School of Art and Design

Patrick Devine | Department of Psychological Science

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Expanding the NEST Innovator (continued)

Jennifer Word Dickey | Department of History and Philosophy

Chelsee Dickson | KSU Library System - Kennesaw

Abigail Dimercurio | Department of Psychological Science

Michele DiPietro | Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL)

Cristen Dutcher | School of Accountancy

Bronne Dytoc | Department of Architecture

Yvonne Earnshaw | School of Instructional Technology and Innovation

Autumn Eckman | Department of Dance

Ordene Edwards | Department of Psychological Science

Maryam Eghbalizarch | Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering

Nicholas Ellwanger | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Alyson Epp | Wellstar School of Nursing

Susanne Estrella | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Sara Evans | Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Matthew Ezewudo | Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology

Daniel Farr | Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Nicole Ferguson | School of Data Science and Analytics

Sergio Figueiredo | Department of English

Neysa Figueroa | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Tricia Frazier | School of Instructional Technology and Innovation

Don Gammill, Jr. | Department of English

Macario Garcia | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Shimelis Gebru | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Mark Geil | Department of Exercise Science and Sport Management

Monica Gerda | Department of Health Promotion and Physical Education

Kevin Gittner | School of Data Science and Analytics

Qing Gong | Michael A. Leven School of Management, Entrepreneurship and Hospitality

Alice F. Gooding | Department of Geography and Anthropology

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Expanding the NEST Innovators (continued)

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Elisheva Gottstein | Department of Psychological Science

Misty Grayer | Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL)

Tammy Green | Wellstar School of Nursing

John Greene | Department of English

Mandy Guitar | Department of Psychological Science

Kim Haimes Korn | Department of English

Maia Hallward | School of Conflict Management, Peacebuilding and Development

Keneisha Harrington | Department of Educational Leadership

Johari Harris | Department of Secondary and Middle Grades Education

Elizabeth Harrison | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Sherrill Hayes | School of Conflict Management, Peacebuilding and Development

Marcia Hesser | Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology

Tracy Hiett | Wellstar School of Nursing

Amy Hillen | Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education

Chanler Hillye | Department of Psychological Science

Kristin Horan | Department of Psychological Science

Laura Howard | Department of English

Sha Huang | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Jody Hubbell | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Katherine H. Ingram | Department of Exercise Science and Sport Management

Ulrike K. Ingram | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Pramod Iyer | Department of Marketing and Professional Sales

Jasmine Hope Jackson | Division of Organizational Effectiveness, Leadership and
Institutional Development

Ruvini Jayamaha | School of Data Science and Analytics

Femi Jayeola | KSU Library System - Kennesaw

April Johnson | School of Government and International Affairs

Toni P. Johnson | Wellstar School of Nursing

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Expanding the NEST Innovators (continued)

Alan Jones | Wellstar School of Nursing

Sidni Justus | Department of Psychological Science

Sunny Kang | Department of Mathematics

Kara Kapczynski | Department of Marketing and Professional Sales

Andrew Kazemian | Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Rebecca Keall | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Timothy Kersey | School of Government and International Affairs

Robert Keyser | Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering

Abhishek Khanal | Department of Physics

Dakota Kinney | Department of Psychological Science

Karin Kolb | School of Data Science and Analytics

Jitendra Sai Kota | School of Data Science and Analytics

Danica Kulibert | Department of Psychological Science

John Laaman | Department of History and Philosophy

Jeanne Law | Department of English

Michael Laws | Department of Mathematics

Jeongyi Lee | Department of World Languages and Cultures (posthumous)

Megan Lee | Department of Social Work and Human Services

Lin Li | Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering

Rasheda Likely | Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education

Tanja C. Link | Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Noelle Lively | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Molly Livingston | Department of English

Brandon D. Lundy | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Carmen Madison | School of Communication and Media

Felicia Mainella | Interdisciplinary Studies Department

Suma Mallavarapu | Department of Psychological Science

Dorothy Marsil | Department of Psychological Science

Allison Martin | Department of Psychological Science

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Expanding the NEST Innovators (continued)

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Lauren Matheny | School of Data Science and Analytics

DeAnna McAleer | Department of Mathematics

James McCafferty | Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Dominique Skye McDaniel | Department of English

Paul McDaniel | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Laura McGrath | Department of English

Ruth McIntyre | Department of English

Stephen Jacob McNeill | School of Communication and Media

James Meurs | Michael A. Leven School of Management, Entrepreneurship and Hospitality

Shuchita Mishra | School of Art and Design

Vickie Ann Moody | KSU Journey Honors College

Julie Moore | School of Instructional Technology and Innovation

Heather Morgan | Department of Marketing and Professional Sales

Mary Lou Morris | School of Accountancy

Simin Nasser | Department of Mechanical Engineering

Daniel Niederjohn | Department of Psychological Science

Nik Nikolov | Department of Marketing and Professional Sales

Mia Oberlton | Department of Health Promotion and Physical Education

Obioku Obotette | Department of Software Engineering and Game Development

Tom Okie | Department of History and Philosophy

Melissa Osborne | Wellstar School of Nursing

Mark Patterson | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Andrew Peachey | Department of Health Promotion and Physical Education

Dave Peeples | Department of Construction Management

Beth Petrunich | Department of Exercise Science and Sport Management

Kandice Porter | Department of Health Promotion and Physical Education

Amanda Pratt | Department of English

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Donald Privitera | Department of Information Technology

Meredith L. Pruden | School of Communication and Media

Leslie Pryor McIntosh | Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology

Nancy Pullen | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Jennifer W. Purcell | School of Government and International Affairs

Robin Puttock | Department of Architecture

Harriett Scott Pyburn | Coles College of Business - Undergraduate Programs

Qihang Qiu | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Marion Quirici | Department of English

Teresa Raczek | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Katie Ragsdale | Wellstar School of Nursing

Kristin Rajan | Department of English

Kisa Ranasinghe | Department of Physics

Amanda Redinger | Department of Health Promotion and Physical Education

Hansol Rheem | Department of Psychological Science

Daniel Rogers | Department of Psychological Science

Tiffany Roman | School of Instructional Technology and Innovation

Dr. Tracy Ruegg | Wellstar School of Nursing

Roslyn Satchel | School of Communication and Media

Borhan Sayedy | Department of Economics, Finance and Quantitative Analysis

Andrea Scapolo | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Katharine Schaab | Interdisciplinary Studies Department

Emily Scheinfeld | School of Communication and Media

Keif Schleifer | Department of Architecture

Cathy Schnakenburg | Department of Mathematics

Ehsan Sheikholharam | Department of Architecture

Xiaohui Shi | Department of Mathematics

Amanda Shoemake | Department of English

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Expanding the NEST Innovators (continued)

Yvonne Single | Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Tyra Skinner | Wellstar School of Nursing

Hans Skott-Myhre | Department of Social Work and Human Services

Vanessa Slinger-Friedman | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Kalisha Smith | Department of Psychological Science

Susan Kirkpatrick Smith | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Valerie Smith | Department of English

Miriam Brown Spiers | Department of English

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David Stollberg | Department of Engineering Technology

Gregory Stone | School of Art and Design

Lauren Tagliafata | Department of Psychological Science

Janeth Todd | Wellstar School of Nursing

Kei Tomita | Department of Technical Communication and Interactive Design

Kari Traud | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Jun Tu | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Porntip Israsena Twishime | Department of Theatre and Performance Studies

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Beth Usry | WellStar School of Nursing

Tris Utschig | Department of Mechanical Engineering

Ananya Vahal-Perez | Department of English

Jennifer Vandenbussche | Department of Mathematics

Lynn Varagona | Wellstar School of Nursing

Geetika Vyas | Department of Information Technology

Tadesse Wakjira | Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Chenyu Wang | Department of Software Engineering and Game Development

Joanna Wardwell-Ozgo | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Alan Watts | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Amanda J. Weed | School of Communication and Media

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Jen Wells | Department of Educational Leadership

Denise White | Department of English

Cody Whitehouse | School of Conflict Management, Peacebuilding and Development

Lawrence E. Whitman | Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering

Kenneth Williamson | Department of Geography and Anthropology

Amanda Wolfe | Department of Psychological Science

Virginia S. Wood | Department of Psychological Science

LaNita Wright | Department of Health Promotion and Physical Education

Casaundra Wyatt | Wellstar School of Nursing

Jeff Yunek | Bailey School of Music

Mitchell Zaplatosch | Department of Exercise Science and Sport Management

Dianhan Zheng | Department of Psychological Science

Ying Zhu | School of Art and Design

Silke Zoller | Department of History and Philosophy

Expanding the NEST: Champions

Suzanne Agan | Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology

Modupe Akintomide | Wellstar School of Nursing

Denise Barclay | CSE - Advising Support Center

Jillian Ford | Department of Secondary and Middle Grades Education (posthumous)

Madelyn Fox-Defago | Department of English

Jaime Fulsang | Division of Organizational Effectiveness, Leadership and Institutional Development

Prachi Gala | Department of Marketing and Professional Sales

Allison Garefino | Department of Social Work and Human Services

Maureen Garringer | Wellstar School of Nursing

Kevin D. Gecowets | Michael A. Leven School of Management, Entrepreneurship and Hospitality

Meredith Ginn | School of Communication and Media

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Expanding the NEST: Champions (continued)

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Kate Harrington | Wellstar School of Nursing

Alison Hedrick | Department of Information Systems

Jeffrey L. Jackson, Jr. | Department of English

Xiaoxiao Ji | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Sarah Johnson | School of Communication and Media

Sheri Johnson | School of Data Science and Analytics

Sebastyen Kester | Academic Support Initiatives

Elicia Lair | Department of Psychological Science

Carolee Larsen | Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Waqas Majeed | Department of Computer Science

Chichi Markham | Wellstar School of Nursing

Corinne McNamara | Department of Psychological Science

Carlos Perez | School of Art and Design

Darlene Xiomara Rodriguez | Department of Social Work and Human Services

Nazmus Sakib | Department of Information Technology

Federica Santini | Department of World Languages and Cultures

Gabriella Sciacchitano | Department of Exercise Science and Sport Management

Lavanya Sekar | Department of Software Engineering and Game Development

Bindu Simon | Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Jessica Stephenson Reaves | Department of Elementary and Early Childhood
Education

Christopher Thompson | School of Communication and Media

Preethi Titu | Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education

Jennifer A. Wade-Berg | Department of Social Work and Human Services

Jennifer Willard | Department of Psychological Science

SoTL Manuscript Completion Program Participants

Faculty in this program came together for an intensive hybrid experience to focus on their Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) writing goals through structured consultations and a peer review process. All participants in the program completed a SoTL manuscript that was submitted for publication.

Benjamin Brooks | Interdisciplinary Studies Department

Metacognition in the Leadership Classroom: A Study of the Efficacy of Metacognitive Instructional Strategies for Content Knowledge Acquisition

Mackenzie Cato | School of Communication and Media

Racial Code-Switching in Higher Education and the Impact on Stereotype Threat & Mental Health: A Qualitative Analysis

Rebecca Hill | Interdisciplinary Studies Department

What a Difference a Day Makes: Comparing Outcomes in a Hybrid Flipped-Classroom and an Online Asynchronous American Cultural History Class

Debalina Maitra | Department of Educational Leadership

Next-Gen Literature Reviews: A Practical AI Guide for New Scholars

Soon C Lee | Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education

Assessing the Reliability and Validity of a Science Content Knowledge for Teaching Questionnaire for Elementary Preservice Teachers: An Application of Rasch Modelling

Tiffany Roman | School of Instructional Technology and Innovation

Authentic Learning Space Design: Empowering K-12 Teachers to Identify School-Based Needs

Susan Kirkpatrick Smith | Department of Geography and Anthropology

The Production and Use of 3D Printed Skulls for Undergraduate Biological Anthropology Instruction

Lynn Varagona | WellStar School of Nursing

Consequences of Affective Events Which Lead Nursing Students to (Dis)Trust an Instructor

SoTL Summit Presenters

The fully virtual Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Summit conference offers participants at all levels of SoTL experience an opportunity to grow as teacher-scholars, offering exciting interactive plenary sessions from leaders in the field as well as peer-reviewed sessions on cutting-edge topics in pedagogy and student learning. KSU faculty, staff, and student presenters contributed to a dynamic program that showcased more than 150 SoTL and Scholarly Teaching presentations and posters from scholars around the globe.

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The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) is a key activity supporting KSU's strategic plan, student success, and the advancement of teaching in higher education. The KSU SoTL Scaffold program recognizes those who learn more about SoTL, practice it as scholars, and serve as leaders on campus and within the international SoTL community.

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