



e-TEACH Newsletter

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In response to increased restrictions communicated by both Virginia Tech and Carilion, we will be temporarily moving to a virtual venue for our upcoming TEACH sessions. Please see more information below and stay tuned!



Timely Teaching Tips: Take a break from virtual large group meetings!

In last month's SGEA newsletter, Dr. Karina Clemmons (University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences)

shared the following tip for those experiencing "video conference fatigue": *Video conferencing fatigue is real and contributes to excessive cognitive load in frequent large group meetings. Consider encouraging students to take a break from having their camera on in large group lecture-style educational sessions, and instead have their camera on in small breakout room sessions to encourage meaningful discussion.* For more information on this timely topic [click here](#).

Upcoming Events: Join Us!

December 2020 Health Professions Educator Series Session: "Effective Teaching Strategies" with Jennifer Cleveland, PharmD, BCPS, MBA, Chad DeMott, MD, Chase Poulsen, PhD, and T A Lucktong, MD, FACS (December 14, 2020 from 12pm – 1pm - Online via Zoom). No registration necessary, see calendar invitation for Zoom details!



2021 Faculty Development Calendar coming soon: Stay tuned for details on our upcoming 2021 series sessions. We are working hard to identify and schedule relevant, timely, and meaningful faculty development sessions for the coming year that will meet the needs of our community. Series schedules, save-the-dates, and session advertisements will be hitting your inboxes soon!



Recognition & Rewards: Welcome your Colleagues!

October TEACH Members: Please join us in welcoming our new members for the month of

October 2020 – Haley Hammond, MD (Family Medicine), Jennifer Bath, MSN, RN (Trauma Services), Whitney Schlick-Sheets, PharmD (Pharmacy), Vickie Dameron (Pediatrics), and Daniel Torrent, MD, MPH (Surgery).

Educator Resources:

Check-out Podcasts, Abstracts, & Virtual Teaching Tools!



A new episode of "Beyond the White Coat" podcast explores racism and medical education: AAMC President and CEO David J. Skorton, MD, speaks with AAMC Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer

David A. Acosta, MD, about the history of structural racism in U.S. medical education and how that history informs today's learning environment. [Listen Now!](#)

2020 SGEA Abstract Compendium: In an effort to promote and disseminate the incredible scholarly work accepted for presentation following the cancellation of 2020 SGEA Regional Conference due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the GEA Steering Committee has compiled all accepted work into an abstract compendium. This compendium includes all accepted abstracts and session proposals as they were submitted including: Innovation Abstracts, Research Abstracts, Workshops, Small Group Discussions, and Panel Discussions. [Click here](#) to view the SGEA Abstract Compendium.

Virtual Conference and Organizational Tools: Rita McCandless, VTCSOM Head Librarian, recently shared a variety of tools that were demonstrated by other librarians as their selected "favorites" at a recent conference. [Take a look](#) at some of the great virtual teaching resources here and investigate ways to integrate them into your teaching!

- **Piktochart:** An online tool for creating infographics, presentation slides, reports, flyers, posters, and more.
- **Workflowy:** A web-based organizational tool for creating lists, to-dos, notes, and more.
- **Edpuzzle:** A free assessment-centered tool that allows teachers and students to create interactive online videos by embedding either open-ended or multiple-choice questions, audio notes, audio tracks, or comments on a video.

In Case You Missed It: Catch Up on Our Latest Health Professions Educator Session!

In September, Dr. David Musick led an informative Health Professions Educator session on "The Promotion Process at VTC School of Medicine." [Click here](#) to view the presentation to review promotion requirements and gain critical insight into the promotion process.



Educator Opportunities: Scholarship and Funding opportunities available!



- **ScholarRx Medical Education Research and Innovation Challenge (MERIC) Small Grant Program:** ScholarRx Medical Education Research and Innovation Challenge (MERIC) Small Grant Program: ScholarRX announces a call for small grant applications for a novel program designed to promote global educational scholarship and innovation. The MERIC small grants program will support health sciences education investigators seeking to collaborate with ScholarRx to test educational innovations and address questions ranging from educational methods and pedagogy to curricular development and student assessment. ScholarRx expects to fund approximately 4-6 projects with budgets from \$2,500 to \$10,000 in this call. **A letter of intent (LOI) for this call must be received by 11:59 PM EST on December 1, 2020.** Selected investigators will be invited to submit a full proposal due by Feb 15, 2021. Awards will be announced on April 2, 2021. Please [click here](#) for the full RFP.
- **IAMSE Educational Scholarship and Curriculum Innovation Grants:** The International Association of Medical Science Educators (IAMSE) wishes to encourage and support scholarship in medical science education and will fund multiple educational scholarship and curriculum innovation grants for up to \$5000 each. The purpose of the [IAMSE Curriculum Innovation Grants](#) is to make available funds to support projects designed for the general enrichment of teaching and learning that go beyond normal expectations of a faculty member, including but not limited to advances in pedagogy, technology, content development, or professional development. All IAMSE members are eligible to submit a grant proposal. Preference will be given to new projects and must be relevant to the mission of IAMSE. The results of funded projects must be presented at a future IAMSE meeting. The initial funding award will be announced via email and at the 2021 IAMSE meeting. **The deadline to submit proposals for 2021 grants is January 15, 2021.**

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