



# e-TEACH Newsletter

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## What's New with TEACH?:

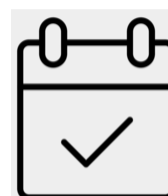
### TEACH Award Nominations Are Now Open!

Nominations for the 2021 TEACH Awards are now open! Five unique awards have been created over the years to recognize the efforts of our educators and highlight their accomplishments. Please nominate exceptional faculty who embody the principles of excellence in teaching, who go above and beyond in their teaching role, and who will have a long-term impact on your career and that of others.

TEACH Award Categories include: Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, Feedback, Educator Mentorship, Innovative Teaching, and Rising Star. Help those educators who have profoundly impacted your learning to be recognized for their outstanding efforts! TEACH Award nominations will close **July 16** so make sure you submit a nomination for your favorite educator! Find the Nomination Criteria and Nomination Form [Here!](#)

## Upcoming Events: Join Us!

All sessions will be held via Zoom. No registration necessary, see calendar invitation for Zoom details!



**May 2021 Health Professions Educator Series Session** - "Health Professions Resilience/Well-Being for the Educator (and how to model for learners)" with David Musick, PhD and Emily Holt-Foerst, MA (Monday, May 24, 2021, from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm – Online via Zoom).

**June 2021 Health Systems Science Open Forum Series Session** - "Population Health & Social Determinants of Health" with Cynthia Morrow, MD, MPH and Aaron Bousch, MHA (Monday, June 21, 2021, from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm - Online via Zoom).

**June 2021 Journal Club (TEACH Members Only)** - "Strengthening Teachers' Professional Identities Through Faculty Development" facilitated by Mariah Rudd (Thursday, June 24, 2021, from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm - Online via Zoom). Supplemental Reading for Discussion: "Professional Identity Misformation..."

## DEI Faculty Development Opportunities: Check out the DEI Events Page!

In partnership with the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) team at VTCSOM, we will soon be including information on resources and upcoming opportunities related to DEI faculty development. These resources and activities will serve to support efforts related to DEI and our teaching practices. To keep abreast of some upcoming DEI Opportunities, check out the [VTCSOM DEI Events Page](#).



## Recognition & Rewards:

Welcome your colleagues & our newest TEACH team member, congratulate this quarter's TEACH Perks Winner!

### April 2021 New TEACH Members

Please join us in welcoming our new members for April 2021: Patricia Moore BS (Basic Science Education), Elizabeth Stewart, MD (Pediatrics), Christopher Pierce, MD (Pediatrics), Sarah Umbarger-Wells, MS (OCPD), Stephen Ausband, MD (Family & Community Medicine), and Karina Miller, DDS (Pediatric Dentistry).

### Quarterly Perks Award Winner

Please join us in congratulating Dr. John Draeger (Child & Adolescent Psychiatry) for winning this quarter's TEACH Perks Award! The Perks Award is presented each quarter to the TEACH member(s) who attended the most OCPD and/or TEACH sessions. Winners are awarded a Java-the-Hut gift card. Congratulations to Dr. Draeger for being selected as the most recent quarterly TEACH Perks Winner! If you are looking for stimulating faculty development and the opportunity to win an extra caffeine boost, join us for as many TEACH sessions as you can!

### Meet Sarah Umbarger-Wells, MS

It is our pleasure to welcome [Sarah Umbarger-Wells](#) to the TEACH/OCPD team! Sarah recently joined the team as our newest Education & Faculty Development Manager focusing on the development of the health systems science faculty development initiatives. Sarah has worked in higher education for several years in various positions and most recently led NASPA and the Center for First-generation Student Success' efforts to design, develop, launch and maintain the nation's first national scaling model to support first-generation undergraduate and graduate student access, retention, and completion at post-secondary institutions. Sarah is currently completing her Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration from Virginia Tech. She is excited to utilize her skills and knowledge as an educator and researcher to support the OCPD team and Carilion Clinic colleagues' growth aspirations and faculty development. Please join us in welcoming Sarah to the team! If you would like to connect with Sarah, please feel free to shoot her an [email](#).

## Educator Opportunities:

Scholarship, conference, and funding opportunities available!



- **2021 AMEE Conference:** The 2021 AMEE conference will be hosted entirely virtually on August 27-30, 2021. The conference will include a rich program of invited presentations, workshops, courses, short communications, and e-posters from colleagues around the world working across the spectrum from undergraduate education through to continuing professional development. [Click here](#) for more details or email [amee@dundee.ac.uk](mailto:amee@dundee.ac.uk).

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