

Friday, August 21st, 2026
1:30pm – 4:30pm

FALL FACULTY MEETING

Refreshments | Awards
& Recognition



TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY
College of Liberal Arts





Each year,

Texas State
University and the College of
Liberal Arts recognize faculty
for their exceptional
contributions to

research,

teaching,

creative arts,

and service.

FACULTY SERVICE AWARDS

TEN YEARS

Dr. James Kilby, *Anthropology*
Dr. Nicole Taylor, *Anthropology*
Vanessa Johnson, *English*
Danny Peters, *English*
Dr. Eric Sarmiento, *Geography & Environmental Studies*
Dr. Sara Damiano, *History*
Dr. Joshua Paddison, *History*
Dr. Vaughn Baltzly, *Philosophy*
Dr. Carrie Crisp, *Philosophy*
Dr. Anthony Cross, *Philosophy*

Dr. Lori Gallegos, *Philosophy*
Dr. Olga Gerhart, *Philosophy*
Dr. Amy Pommerening, *Philosophy*
Dr. Ellen Stansell, *Philosophy*
Dr. Katherine Warnell, *Psychology*
Dr. Xi Pan, *Sociology*
Dr. Beth Bernstein, *World Languages & Literatures*
Dr. Gyongyi Pisak, *World Languages & Literatures*
Dr. Susana Villanueva-Eguia-Lis, *World Languages & Literatures*

FIFTEEN YEARS

Dr. Sophia Mavroudas, *Anthropology*
Dr. Daniel Wescott, *Anthropology*
Jason Coates, *English*
Doug Dorst, *English*
Dr. Joseph Falocco, *English*
Christopher Margrave, *English*
Laura Sims, *English*
Dr. Sarah Blue, *Geography & Environmental Studies*
Dr. Ellen Tillman, *History*

Dr. Robert Fischer, *Philosophy*
Dr. Ivan Marquez, *Philosophy*
Dr. Alejandro Barcenas Pardo, *Philosophy*
Dr. Willard Fields, *Political Science*
Dr. William Kelemen, *Psychology*
Dr. Carmen Westerberg, *Psychology*
Dr. David Dietrich, *Sociology*
Dr. Margaret Dunaway, *World Languages & Literatures*

TWENTY YEARS

Dr. Ronald Hagelman, *Geography & Environmental Studies*
Dr. Osvaldo Muniz Solari, *Geography & Environmental Studies*
Dr. Angela Murphy, *History*
Rebekah Ross, *Philosophy*
Paul Wilson, *Philosophy*
Dr. Nandhini Rangarajan, *Political Science*

Dr. Natalie Ceballos, *Psychology*
Dr. Joseph Etherton, *Psychology*
Dr. Nathan Pino, *Sociology*
Dr. Yasmine Beale-Rosano-Rivaya, *World Languages & Literatures*
Dr. Gloria Velasquez, *World Languages & Literatures*

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

Dr. Yongmei Lu, *Geography & Environmental Studies*
Dr. Gregory Crossett, *Political Science*
Dr. Randall Osborne, *Psychology*
Dr. Debarun Majumdar, *Sociology*

Kelly Mosel-Talavera, *Sociology*
Dr. Toni Watt, *Sociology*
Maria Diocares, *World Languages & Literatures*

THIRTY YEARS

Dr. Lucy Harney, *World Languages & Literatures*

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS

Dr. Cecilia Castillo, *Political Science*

FORTY-FIVE YEARS

Robyn Rogers, *Psychology*

TENURE AND PROMOTION

TENURE

Dr. Nicholas Carter, *Anthropology*
Dr. Christopher Dayley, *English*
Dr. Sara Ramirez, *English*
Dr. Samantha Krause, *Geography & Environmental Studies*

Dr. Casey Nichols, *History*
Dr. Louis Porter, *History*
Dr. Natasha Mikles, *Philosophy*
Dr. Rhonda Balzarini, *Psychology*
Dr. Jessica Perrotte, *Psychology*

PROFESSOR

Dr. Nicole Taylor, *Anthropology*
Dr. Jennifer duBois, *English*
Dr. Cecily Parks, *English*
Dr. Graeme Wend-Walker, *English*

Dr. Yihong Yuan, *Geography & Environmental Studies*
Dr. Joseph Laycock, *Philosophy*
Dr. Carlos Abreu Mendoza, *World Languages & Literatures*

RESEARCH PROFESSOR

Dr. Carolyn Boyd, *Anthropology*

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF INSTRUCTION

Taylor Cortesi, *English*
Dr. Amanda Mixon, *English*
Cassie Polasek, *English*
Dr. William Gessas, *Philosophy*
Dr. Seth Thompson, *Philosophy*

Dr. Justin Williams, *Philosophy*
Dr. Vince Bagnulo, *Political Science*
Juan Angulo, *Psychology*
Macy Hicks-Myers, *Psychology*
Mark Stern, *Psychology*

PROFESSOR OF INSTRUCTION

Dr. Deborah Cunningham, *Anthropology*
Dr. Joanna Collins, *English*
Dr. Joshua Paddison, *History*
Dr. Matthew Bower, *Philosophy*
Dr. Elizabeth Kanon, *Philosophy*
Dr. Amy Pommerening, *Philosophy*
Dr. Nevitt Reesor, *Philosophy*

Dr. Jonathan Surovell, *Philosophy*
Dr. Isaac Wiegman, *Philosophy*
Dr. William McKelvain, *Psychology*
Colin Pierson, *Sociology*
Tina Villarreal, *Sociology*
Dr. Beth Bernstein, *World Languages & Literatures*

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PRACTICE

Dr. Ruby Oram, *History*

PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE ACTIVITIES & GOLDEN APPLE

Dr. Megan L. Rogers, *Psychology*

DEAN'S EXCELLENCE AWARD & GOLDEN APPLES

TEACHING

Dr. Joanna Collins, *English*

Dr. Nathan Pino, *Sociology*

SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

Dr. Jennifer duBois, *English*

SERVICE

Dr. Jose Carlos de la Puente, *History*

Dr. Jessica Perrotte, *Psychology*

COLLEGE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

TEACHING

Dr. Graeme A. Wend-Walker, *English*

SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

Dr. Yan Zhang, *Sociology*

SERVICE

Stephanie Grossman, *English*

DEAN'S DISTINCTION AWARD

TEACHING

Dr. Katherine Warnell, *Psychology*

SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

Dr. Ruby Oram, *History*

SERVICE

Dr. Roger Abshire, *Political Science*

EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH FUNDING & SPONSORED PROGRAMS

Dr. Joaquín Rivaya-Martínez, *History*

Dr. Toni Watt, *Sociology*

UNIVERSITY DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR

Dr. Robert Tally, *English*

MARIEL M. MUIR EXCELLENCE IN MENTORING AWARD

Dr. Reiko Graham, *Psychology*

PART-TIME FACULTY EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARD

Richard Kelly, *History*

DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR EMERITI

Dr. Daniel Lochman, *English*
Dr. Richard Boehm, *Geography & Environmental Studies*

Dr. Eugene Bourgeois II, *History*
Dr. Ronald Brown, *History*
Dr. Vincent Luizzi, *Philosophy*

FACULTY RETIREMENTS

Dr. Debra Monroe, *English*
Dr. Elizabeth Skerpan-Wheeler, *English*
Dr. Miriam Williams, *English*
Dr. Pinfan Zhu, *English*
Dr. Denise Blanchard-Boehm, *Geography & Environmental Studies*
Dr. Deirdre Lannon, *History*

Dr. John Burke, *Political Science*
Dr. Cecilia Castillo, *Political Science*
Dr. Arnold Leder, *Political Science*
Dr. Dianne Rahm, *Political Science*
Dr. Gloria Velasquez, *World Languages & Literatures*



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