The 2017 PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS Recipients were announced January 13th!

Please **Congratulate** our SOM faculty and staff on being recognized for their commitment to excellence!

**Distinguished Senior Research Scholar:**
Tyler Curiel, MD, MPH - Medicine/Microbiology, Immunology, & Molecular Genetics

**Distinguished Junior Research Scholar:**
Andrew D. J. Meyer, MD, MS - Pediatrics

**Clinical Excellence Awards:**
Gregory Bowling, MD - Medicine
Richard Crownover, MD, PhD - Radiation Oncology
Sylvia Leal-Castañon, MD - Pediatrics
Neela K. Patel, MD, MPH CMD - Family & Community Medicine

**Teaching Excellence Awards:**
Sean E. Garcia, MD, FHM - Medicine
Eileen M. Lafer, PhD - Biochemistry & Structural Biology
James Lechleiter, PhD - Cell Systems & Anatomy
Mark T. Nadeau, MD, MBA, FAAFP - Family & Community Medicine

**Employee Excellence Awards:**
Beth Payne, MAEd, C-TAGME, LSSBB, Director, Academic Programs, Associate Program Director, Pediatrics
Mary Rowe, Associate Administrator, Research Program, Medicine

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Post Tenure Evaluations

Post Tenure Evaluation (PTE) HOP 3.7.5 The University of Texas Board of Regents mandated that periodic evaluation of tenured faculty shall be scheduled following so that five full academic years or less of performance will be reviewed each time.

At this point in the year, your departments should have:

❤️ Confirmed with Faculty Life who is due for PTE this FY
❤️ Provided those faculty with their 6-month notice
❤️ Set the review date or be conducting the reviews already

Annual PTE Timeline:
http://som.uthscsa.edu/faculty/documents/SOM_FL_Annual_Calendar.pdf

The new electronic faculty recruitment and appointment system arriving this month for select departments! The SOM Dean’s Office (Finance and Faculty Life) have been hard at work with trainings for Department Staff.

Questions on Requisitions, Candidate Evaluation and Selection Process or Offer Letters in the new system contact: Maria Dominguez-Cay at 567-4625.

Questions pertaining to faculty rank, tenure, and appointment or appointment documents in the new system contact: Shawnette Garcia at 567-4774.
Faculty Life Website/Resources

New Items -
We have posted to our website the following information on UT SOM and UT SOM/VA Faculty Members & Benefits Eligibility. Please forward your faculty the appropriate form and email Faculty Life an email showing faculty member is aware of details whenever there is a change in benefits with an appointment change. Forms: UT Appointment Faculty Benefits and UT/VA Appointment Faculty Benefits.

Adjunct Packet Preparation & Evaluation Forms -
- Website/Resources: http://som.uthscsa.edu/faculty/appointment_process-Accordion2.asp
- If rank is above Assistant Professor - a justification memo about the rank request will be needed
- A name affidavit is needed

Adjoint Packets Preparation & Evaluation Forms -
- Website/Resources: http://som.uthscsa.edu/faculty/appointment_process-Accordion2.asp
- If rank is above Assistant Professor - a justification memo about the rank request will be needed
- A special MOU is required
- A name affidavit is needed

SOM Offer Letter -
- Use only the most current version of the offer letter SOM Faculty OFFER_LETTER_V4_final.Nov.2016 on Finance Sharepoint site.

Initial Packets - Effective Dates, Effective Dates, Effective Dates!!!!!
Faculty Life still requires a minimum of 30 days to process new appointment packets. This does remain in effect with the NEW UT Health Careers electronic system. Communicate with us soon as appointment complexities arise, so we can help. Please understand that not allowing for the time requirement does not translate into Faculty Life or AFSA prioritizing the appointment as an EMERGENCY.

Please refer to the Faculty Life Website always for updated information!

Tenure-only Options: Phased Retirement & Emeritus Honor

PHASED RETIREMENT (PR): More information and forms are available on our Faculty Life Website for Faculty/Faculty Separation and Retirement.

EMERITUS PROFESSORSHIP: is an HONORIFIC title governed by the HOP 3.1.3 (not an appointment title). If desired, Emeritus Professorship honor can be requested once a firm retirement date is set.

Please let Faculty Life know about Faculty who are Retiring!
Now accepting nominations for the...

UT Health San Antonio SOM Master Clinician Award!!!!

Each Nominee MUST...
+ Currently hold a full-time SOM faculty appointment in a clinical department.
+ Have served in a SOM faculty clinical role for a period of at least 5 years, providing direct patient care for more than 50% of her/his time.
+ Have attained the rank of Associate Professor or Professor

Next Steps:
Nomination packet: No Self Nominations Accepted
+ Nomination letter (no more than 2 pages)
+ A 1-2 page summary quantifying the nominee’s clinical workload
+ Current CV (eTALUS format)
+ At least two additional letters of endorsement (2-page limit each) and no more than 5 letters in addition to the nominating letter.

Nomination Packets are due:
March 24, 2017
By close of business (5:00pm) NO LATER

Packets submitted beyond the deadline will not be accepted.
**February Facts & Dates**

**National Black History Month**
Occurs in February because it marks the birthdays of two men who greatly impacted the American black population: Abraham Lincoln & Frederick Douglass.

**February 2nd—Ground Hog Day**
*Punxsutawney Phil* has "predicted" six more weeks of winter after seeing his shadow at dawn Thursday, February 2nd.

**Chinese New Year 2017**
January 28!!!
*A Rooster of a Year!*

**February 14th—Valentine’s Day**
1 billion Valentines are sent each year worldwide.

**San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo 2017**
**February 9-26, 2017**
Special Events:
http://www.sarodeo.com/attractions/category/special-events-p

**President Washington’s Birthday**
February 20th

**President Lincoln’s Birthday**
February 12th

**Presidents Day**
February 20th

**Carnival (Brazil)**
February 24-28