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UT Southwestern has been named one of the 20 best hospitals in the nation by *U.S. News & World Report* and No. 1 in Texas, tying for the top spot. Additionally, we have been ranked the No. 1 hospital in the Dallas-Fort Worth region for the seventh year in a row.

The annual list, which evaluates more than 4,500 hospitals nationwide, also rated 19 of our procedures as “High Performing” and ranked 11 of our specialty care areas among the best in the country, eight finishing within the top 25.

For those of you who participated in the *U.S. News Best Hospitals* survey earlier this year and voted for UT Southwestern, thank you for your support!

“From the outset of UT Southwestern’s clinical transformation initiative begun almost 15 years ago, the strategy that has propelled us has focused on quality, service, and collaboration,” said UT Southwestern President Daniel K. Podolsky, M.D., [in a message to campus](#). “Together with colleagues advancing care through discovery and the education and training of the next generation, we can take pride in the legions we have helped through dedication to our institutional mission.” [Read more.](#)

Faculty Announcements

Drs. DeBose-Boyd and Wyckoff Appointed to Lead P&T Committee

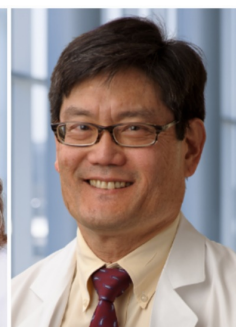
[Russell DeBose-Boyd, Ph.D.](#), Professor of Molecular Genetics, and [Myra Wyckoff, M.D.](#), Professor of Pediatrics, have been appointed co-Chairs of the [Promotion and Tenure \(P&T\) Committee](#). They succeed [Michel Baum, M.D.](#), and [Jessica Moreland, M.D.](#) – both Professors of Pediatrics – who have capably served with dedication and objectivity as the P&T Committee co-Chairs.



Russell DeBose-Boyd, Ph.D.



Myra Wyckoff, M.D.



Lance Terada, M.D.

Chaired by [Lance Terada, M.D.](#), Professor of Internal Medicine, the P&T Committee reviews all faculty nomination packages for promotion in the Research, Clinician, Clinician-Educator, Clinical Scholar, and Tenure-Accruing/Tenure tracks and makes recommendations to the Dean.

As co-Chairs, Drs. DeBose-Boyd and Wyckoff will guide discussions and deliberations of candidates during the promotions season and at ad hoc meetings for new appointments. Both have led stellar academic careers in their respective fields over the course of two decades at UT Southwestern.

Their combined expertise and institutional experience, which together spans a substantial portion of our scientific, clinical, and educational missions, will be of critical importance in assisting the Provost and the Vice-Provosts in defining and upholding UT Southwestern's academic standards.

New Academic Year

Shaping Medicine, Science, Health Professions, and Public Health

After a busy recruitment season, [UT Southwestern's four schools](#) are welcoming new students with strong academic aptitude who represent future physicians, scientists, health professionals, and public health experts. Data shows women and students from groups that are underrepresented in medicine and science consistently choose UT Southwestern to pursue advanced degrees.



The incoming [Medical School](#) class has 239 students, with 16 in the Medical Scientist Training Program and five in the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery program. Students hail from 73 undergraduate schools, including top national institutions. Women comprise 54% of the class, and 27% of students are from groups that are underrepresented in medicine. The GPA (3.89) and MCAT (516) means have not changed over the last four years and remain high.



[The School of Health Professions](#) (SPH) welcomed 141 new students – with an average GPA mean of 3.73 – into its degree programs: Applied Clinical Research, Clinical Nutrition, Clinical Science, Health Informatics, Physician Assistant Studies, Physical Therapy, and Prosthetics-Orthotics. Women make up most of the cohort (71%). A total of 35% of students are from groups that are underrepresented in medicine and science. The SHP is slated to start a Genetic Counseling program next year.



The Division of Basic Sciences within the [Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences](#) will receive 139 matriculants this month – its largest class yet – across its Basic Biomedical Sciences (74%), Biomedical Engineering (21%), and Organic Chemistry (5%) Ph.D. programs. More than half of the incoming students are women, 22% come from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups (URG), and 44% are international students. A



The [O'Donnell School of Public Health](#) (OSPH) enrolled 51 students – 34 are part of the inaugural M.P.H. class and 17 are M.D./M.P.H. students. The OSPH founding cohort is 73% female and represents six states. They bring extensive experience in research, volunteerism, advocacy, and education outreach. Over 40% of the M.P.H. class identifies as coming from URGs. Notably, 11 current UTSW employees will pursue studies

New Electronic Curriculum Vitae Tool

The [Focus on Faculty portal](#) (VPN required) now has a new tool that will allow faculty members to create their electronic curriculum vitae (CV) and export it to comply with UT Southwestern's Promotion and Tenure template and the National Institutes of Health's biographical sketch format.



This CV engine integrates with source of truth systems to import organizational data such as education, licensing, publications, grants, and funding to establish career timelines and keep them up to date.

Another important feature is that it allows faculty to delegate editing privileges, making it possible for staff to take on the task of inputting information that the system can't pull automatically, including administrative and leadership positions, honors and awards, teaching activities, and other categories.

[Learn more](#) about this newly available resource and send questions to tfocus@utsouthwestern.edu.

NIH Medical District UTSW-D FIRST Award



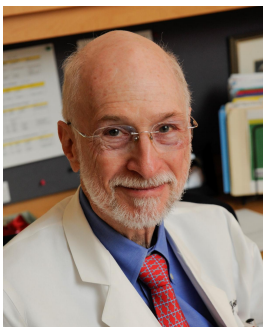
A \$16.4 million National Institutes of Health (NIH) research grant will allow UT Southwestern and UT Dallas to identify and recruit 10 exceptional tenure-track junior faculty in three cluster areas largely based on cancer, brain science, and biomedical engineering.

The Medical District UTSW-D [Faculty Institutional Recruitment for Sustainable Transformation](#) (FIRST) award provides the opportunity to expand faculty hiring and generate systematic data to improve recruitment and retention for all faculty.

Principal Investigators [Helen Yin, Ph.D.](#), UT Southwestern Professor of Physiology, and [Francesca Filbey, Ph.D.](#), UT Dallas Professor of Cognition and Neuroscience, received the highest possible impact score of 10 from the study section in the third round. They will work collaboratively with departmental and center leadership, in compliance with University hiring guidelines and procedures, to help identify and recruit the most qualified candidates. A variety of recruitment strategies will be employed to achieve a broad and diverse applicant pool and encourage qualified candidates from all different backgrounds to apply.

In Memoriam

Dr. Myron F. Weiner (1934-2023)



Myron F. Weiner, M.D., Emeritus Professor of Psychiatry, whose research focused on diagnosing and managing the emotional and behavioral symptoms of dementia, passed away July 17.

Dr. Weiner graduated from Tulane University School of Medicine, moved to Dallas for an internship at Parkland Memorial Hospital, and completed his residency in Psychiatry at UT Southwestern after a short hiatus to serve in the U.S. Air Force.

During the span of his five-decade career in UT Southwestern's Department of Psychiatry, Dr. Weiner became Vice Chair for Clinical Services, established the Geriatric Psychiatry Program, and ran the

Clinical Core of the NIH-funded Center for Alzheimer's and Neurodegenerative Diseases for 25 years. He published more than 200 papers covering psychotherapy, neurodegeneration, and loss of cognition. He authored over a dozen books, including his senior editorship of the American Psychiatric Association's textbook on Alzheimer's disease.

A beloved professor and mentor, Dr. Weiner had a gift for finding the natural talents of each team member and developing them further. His legacy will be valued for many years to come.

Important Dates and Upcoming Events

Due Today: Synergy Grants Applications

The [Synergy Grants for Collaborative Research](#) program seeks to stimulate scientific partnerships between clinicians and basic scientists at UT Southwestern.

- Apply by today, Aug. 1.

Didactic Session: Setting the Stage for Your K Award*

Monthly sessions on successful project development and the grant application process are part of the Clinical Researcher Catalyst, a career development program for clinical researchers.

- Aug. 29. [Register](#) to attend.



Writing Accountability Group (WAG)*

A boot camp-style series designed to make scholarly writing a habit, the Writing Accountability Group (WAG) will help you develop your own scientific proposal, with support and feedback from a cohort.

- Starting Sept. 11, the group meets virtually for eight weeks. [Register to attend](#).

Starting University Clinical Careers Effectively, Scholarly, and Successfully (SUCCESS)

This two-part program helps clinician faculty build knowledge and skills for success in clinical excellence, educational effectiveness, scholarly productivity, and professionalism and institutional citizenship.

- Part 1: Sept. 19. [Register](#) to attend.
- Part 2: Sept. 26. [Register](#) to attend.

Clinical Informatics Fellowship

This [two-year fellowship](#) is designed for physicians who want to become leaders in the development and implementation of clinical information systems that support patient care, research, and quality improvement.

- Apply by Oct. 1. For more information, contact [Christoph Lehmann, M.D.](#)

Save the Date: Beth Levine, M.D. Prize in Autophagy Research Presentation

The event includes a lecture by Japanese biochemist and molecular biologist [Noboru Mizushima, M.D., Ph.D.](#), and a ceremony to award him the [Beth Levine, M.D. Prize in Autophagy Research](#)

- Oct. 3 at 3 p.m. in the Tom and Lula Gooch Auditorium

Grant Writing Library*

UT Southwestern faculty members have free access to a [grant writing library](#) designed to help researchers in the process of securing National Institutes of Health funding.

- Contact the [CTSA Program](#) to [request free access](#).

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