



Leadership Development Academy

The Office of Faculty Development is happy to announce the launch of the Leadership Development Academy (LDA) III. The LDA will commence on August 30, 2023, and run through May 1, 2024. The LDA III, is an eight-month development program created for the next generation of TTUHSC El Paso academic leaders: clerkship and unit directors, department chairs, assistant and associate deans, and office/department/school managers. It is managed by the Office of Faculty Development.

The LDA III consists of webinars, teleconferences, and access to asynchronous courses in the Canvas learning management system. Most sessions provide continuing medical education (CME) and nursing continuing professional development (NCPD) with a maximum of 1 AMA PR Category 1 Credits™. Please get in touch with the office of Faculty Development at elpasofacultydevelopment@ttuhsc.edu to submit your nomination.

Synchronous Sessions:

- ◇ General Administrative Leadership Course
- ◇ Clinical Leadership Course
- ◇ Educational Leadership Course
- ◇ GME Leadership Course
- ◇ Research Leadership Course

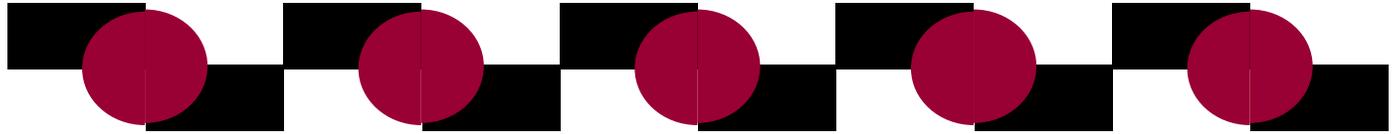
Asynchronous Courses (in Canvas):

- ◇ Leadership Skills Course
- ◇ Conflict Resolution and Negotiation
- ◇ Succeeding and Advancing as Faculty

Visit the Office of Faculty Development Event Calendar to view sessions:
<https://elpaso.ttuhsce.edu/som/facdevelopment/fdEventsCalendar.aspx>

For more information, see the complete LDA syllabus: <https://ttuhscep.box.com/v/LDAsyllabusPDF>.

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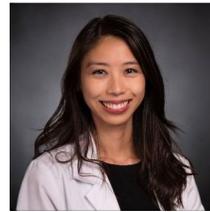
PROGRAM XXI

The Office of Faculty Development congratulates all participants for completing the Institutional Faculty Development Program (IFDP) XXI. The IFDP XXI curriculum consists of four domains: Teaching Block, Research Block, Clinical Skills/ Simulation Block, and Leadership Development Block. A total of forty (40) contact hours is required to graduate from the IFDP XXI.

IFDP XXI Graduates



Farzana Alam, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
Hunt School of Dental Medicine



Aimee Hechnova, M.D., FACP, FASN
Assistant Professor
Department of Internal Medicine



Nathan Holland, M.S., Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
Department of Medical Education



Umadevi Kandalam, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
Hunt School of Dental Medicine



Narges Khanjani, M.D., Ph.D.
Professor
Department of Medical Education



Sobodh Kumar, Ph.D., M.S.
Assistant Professor
Department of Molecular and
Translational Medicine



Komal Marwaha, M.D., Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
Department of Medical Education



Mohamed Mohanna, M.D.
Clinical Research Fellow
Cleveland Clinic Florida

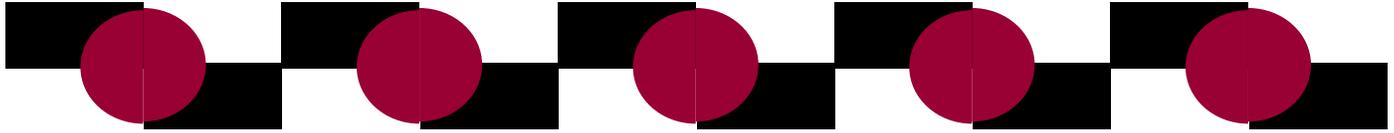


**Elizabeth M. Polfer, M.D.,
Lt. Col., U.S. Army**
Clinical Assistant Professor
Department of Orthopaedic
Surgery and Rehabilitation



Ramadevi Subramani Reddy, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
Department of Molecular and
Translational Medicine

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS



NEED-TO-KNOW IN GME SERIES

In collaboration with Armando Meza, M.D., associate dean for Graduate Medical Education (GME), we host teleconferences that include the most relevant topics in graduate medical education.



June 15: Resident/Fellow Performance Assessment: Guidelines and Tips

NEED-TO-KNOW IN UME SERIES

The Need-To-Know in UME series is designed to fulfill the institution's mission and help faculty members enhance their teaching and feedback skills, explore research and leadership opportunities, and improve student learning and relationships.



June 29: Looking back at the good, the bad, and the ugly of our integrated UME curriculum: What is next?

NEED-TO-KNOW IN NURSING EDUCATION SERIES

In collaboration with Stephanie L. Woods, Ph.D., R.N., dean and professor of the Hunt School of Nursing, and Jene Hurlbut, Ph.D., R.N., CNE, associate dean and professor of the Hunt School of Nursing, we host teleconferences that include the most relevant topics in education and scholarship.

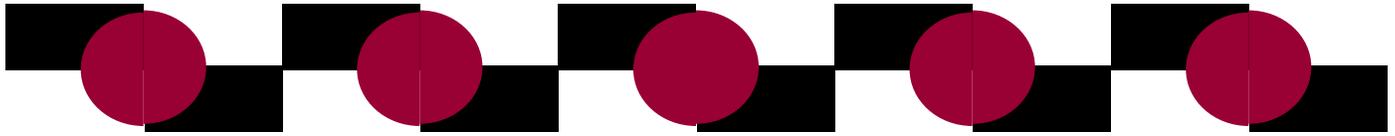


Sept. 12: Educational Research: Using Available Data for Scholarship

Registration information

elpaso.ttuhschool.edu/som/facdevelopment/fdEventsCalendar.as

Connect and Grow with



the Office of Faculty Development

Join us for the Office of Faculty Development (OFD) [Meet-and-Greet](#). The interim associate dean, Dr. Mulla, will discuss services provided by the OFD, identify the OFD website, present the impact of our services and evidence of our own best practices, and identify methods to enhance teaching, research, clinical, and leadership skills. Join us on July 12 at noon in Medical Education Building Room 1150, and lunch will be provided to the first 30 attendees.

What is Faculty Development?

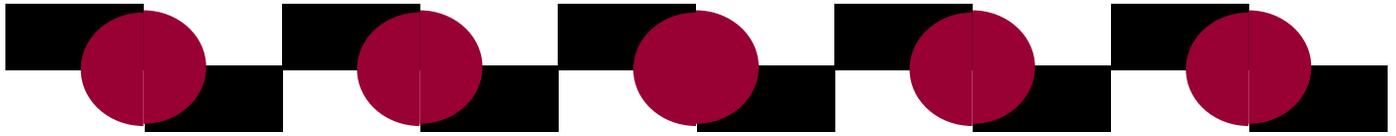


Click here or scan the QR code to register:

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INSTITUTIONAL FACULTY MENTORING



PROGRAM (IFMP)

NEW FACULTY MENTORS

The Office of Faculty Development (OFD) is pleased to announce that the following three senior faculty members have agreed to serve as mentors in the IFMP: Sitratullah Olawunmi Maiyegun, M.D., MRCP (UK), FAAP, associate professor, Department of Pediatrics, and clinical associate professor, Department of Family and Community Medicine; Silvina Tonarelli, M.D., J. Edward Stern Endowed Professor in Psychiatry and associate professor and residency program director, Department of Psychiatry; and Maria M. Villanos, M.D., FAAP, associate professor and medical director of the Pediatric Ambulatory Clinic, Department of Pediatrics.

The OFD thanks Drs. Maiyegun, Tonarelli, and Villanos for their service and dedication to our faculty.

WRITING ACCOUNTABILITY GROUP

The Office of Faculty Development coordinated a second writing accountability group (WAG). The WAG group consisted of Dr. Subodh Kumar, Dr. Jerzy Sarosiek, and Dr. Narges Khanjani.

Dr. Kumar commented, "It was a great experience joining the Writing Accountability Group. It provides a focused and motivated environment. I made significant progress in writing an article. I also enjoyed working and discussing the thoughts and research with Dr. Jerzy and Dr. Narges."

Subodh Kumar, Ph.D., M.S.

Assistant Professor
Center of Emphasis in Neuroscience
Department of Molecular and Translational Medicine

Jerzy Sarosiek, M.D., Ph.D., AGAF, FACG

Doctor honoris causa
Professor of Medicine and Vice Chair for Research
Department of Internal Medicine

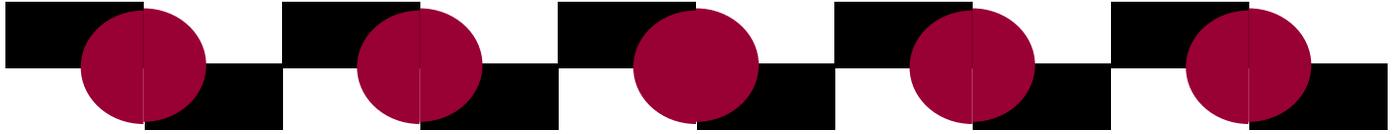
Narges Khanjani, M.D., Ph.D.

Professor
Department of Medical Education



If you are interested in joining the WAG group, please contact the Office of Faculty Development at elpasofacultydevelopment@ttuhsc.edu.

PROFESSIONAL CORNER



Academic Service and the OFD

Zuber D. Mulla, Ph.D., interim associate dean for faculty development, and professor of obstetrics and gynecology, was recently appointed by Richard W. McCallum, M.D., to the editorial board of the *Journal of Investigative Medicine* (JIM). Dr. McCallum is editor-in-chief of JIM and professor of internal medicine, Division of Gastroenterology, at the Foster School of Medicine. Dr. Mulla will serve as associate editor for evidence based medicine. JIM is the official publication of the American Federation for Medical Research and is published by BMJ Journals.



Zuber D. Mulla, Ph.D.

Shrikanth S. Gadad, Ph.D., M.Sc.

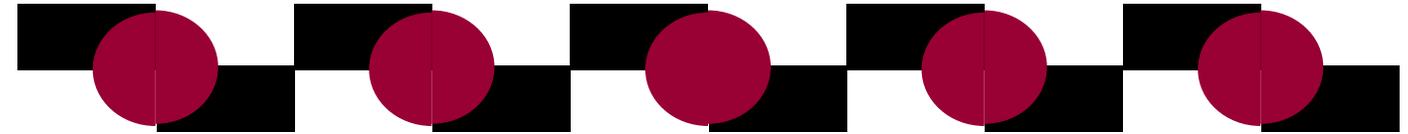


Institutional Faculty Development Program (IFDP) Graduate Profile

Shrikanth S. Gadad, Ph.D., M.Sc., joined the Foster School of Medicine Department of Molecular and Translational Medicine faculty in 2018 as assistant professor. He is a graduate of the IFDP XIX, and he is affiliated with TTUHSC El Paso's Center of Emphasis in Cancer. Prior to his arrival on campus, Dr. Gadad completed postdoctoral training at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. His cutting-edge research focuses on the molecular mechanisms of gene regulation. Specifically, Dr. Gadad and his team are investigating long noncoding RNAs and exploring the role of novel peptides derived from these long noncoding RNAs in transcriptional regulation.

During the past five years, Dr. Gadad has published in top-tiered journals such as *Cell Death and Disease* and *Cancer Research*. He has received recent grants from the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, The Edward N. and Margaret G. Marsh Foundation, The Lizanell and Colbert Coldwell Foundation, and the American Cancer Society. The Office of Faculty Development congratulates Dr. Gadad on his successes.

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Saying Goodbye to a Colleague

The Office of Faculty Development bids goodbye to a colleague and friend: *Dr. Sanja Kupesic-Plavsic*.

Dr. Kupesic-Plavsic is a professor of obstetrics and gynecology and former associate academic dean for faculty development at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso. Dr. Kupesic-Plavsic is considered an acclaimed expert in the field of pelvic ultrasound and reproductive endocrinology. She authored over 220 peer-reviewed articles and edited 25 books, four slide atlases, and six educational DVDs. As an invited speaker, she attended more than 290 national and/or international meetings, congresses, symposia, and conferences. Dr. Kupesic-Plavsic is an editorial board member of the three major international journals and a peer reviewer for 20 international journals. She also serves as a secretary of the international society, The Fetus as a Patient.

Her experience as a lecturer at undergraduate and postgraduate courses, as well as at scientific meetings and workshops, has helped her to achieve the ability to translate scientific matters to different audiences in a practical manner. Dr. Kupesic-Plavsic received major local, national, and international scientific awards, including the international William Liley medal for contribution to the field of human reproduction, perinatal medicine, and ultrasound. For her contribution to the field of medical education, she received four excellence in teaching awards: Dean's Innovation in Medical Education Award (2009), Professor of the Year Award (2011), Excellence in Residents' Teaching Award (2011), and Dean's Excellence in Teaching Award (2011). In 2013 Dr. Kupesic-Plavsic received a special achievement award for pioneering distance learning at Ian Donald Inter-University School of Medicine Ultrasound.

Dr. Kupesic was rewarded with honorary professorship at three universities: Medical Faculty University in Rijeka, Croatia (2022), Pirogov Medical University in Moscow, Russia (2013), and Buenos Aires University in Buenos Aires, Argentina (2014). In 2014 she also joined the prestigious International Academy of Human Reproduction. Her major research interests include medical education, faculty development, and ultrasound in reproductive medicine.



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