DIRECTORY OF COURSE LECTURERS

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FACULTY/STAFF BIOGRAPHIES

MEET THE FACULTY DEVELOPMENT COURSE LECTURERS

This directory has been compiled to acquaint course participants with the faculty and staff who will present classes during the first Faculty Development Course series. Participants are encouraged to foster professional relationships with course lecturers and utilize these contacts as resources in support of academic responsibilities in the areas of teaching, patient care, and scholarly activities. Please feel free to contact the lecturers by phone or e-mail.

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Dr. Brown joined the staff at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in El Paso in 2002 as Senior Director, GME & Faculty Affairs.

Education: Ph.D., University of Iowa; M.A., University of Chicago; B.A., Beaver College (nee Arcadia University).

Dr. Brown’s areas of specialization include sociology of complex organizations, higher education management, sociology of education, personnel management, and leadership studies. Previously, Dr. Brown served as Assistant Dean for Academic and Faculty Affairs with the College of Medicine, University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center and is a former Assistant Dean for Student Affairs at Meharry Medical College.

Courses: How to Write a Letter of Recommendation Which Accurately Reflects Your Impression

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Dr. Casner joined the faculty of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso in 1983 and is currently a Professor of Medicine and Assistant Professor of Pharmacology. His specialties include internal medicine, geriatrics, and pharmacology.

Education: M.D., New York Medical College; Rotating Internship, Fitzsimmons Army Medical College, Aurora, CO; Residency, Psychiatry, Letterman Army Medical Center, San Francisco, CA; Fellowship, Psychosomatic Medicine & Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry, Dwight D. Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Augusta, GA.

Dr. Casner was awarded NDEA and NSF graduate fellowships. He currently serves as IRB Chairman.

Courses: Role and Functions of the IRB, Ethical Issues in Clinical research and Good Clinical Practice, and How to Write a Scientific Paper

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Dr. Giordano is a staff physician at the Behavior Health Service of the El Paso Veterans Affair Health Care System and Clinical Faculty at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. His practice specialty is psychiatry with sub-specialization in psychosomatic medicine and consultation-liaison psychiatry.

Education: M.D., Creighton University School of Medicine; Rotating Internship, Fitzsimmons Army Medical College, Aurora, CO; Residency, Psychiatry, Letterman Army Medical Center, San Francisco, CA; Fellowship, Psychosomatic Medicine & Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry, Dwight D. Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Augusta, GA.

Dr. Giordano’s areas of interest include organic psychiatry, medical education administration, and organizational functioning.

Courses: How to monitor stress level in students and Residents
Dr. W. Lee Hand is Assistant Dean, Research & Development and Professor of Medicine at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso. He joined the faculty in 1994. His practice specialties include internal medicine and infectious diseases.

Education: M.D., Emory University School of Medicine; Residency, Internal Medicine, Grady Memorial Hospital, Atlanta, GA; Fellowship, Infectious Diseases, USPHS, UT Southwestern Medical School, Dallas, TX.

Dr. Hand has been listed in The Best Doctors in America and Who’s Who in the South and Southwest. His areas of interest include antimicrobial resistance, bioterrorism, and white blood cell count abnormalities in diabetic patients.

Courses: Research Opportunities for Faculty at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso

Dr. Ho, Professor of Medicine, joined the faculty of Texas Tech in 1986 and was named Assistant Dean of Faculty Development in 2002. His practice specialties include internal medicine, infectious diseases, and geriatrics.

Education: M.D., University of Saigon School of Medicine; Residency, Internal Medicine/Infectious Diseases, University of Saigon School of Medicine; Residency, Internal Medicine, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, El Paso; Fellowship, Hematology/Oncology, Wadley Institute of Molecular Medicine, Dallas, TX.

Dr. Ho has received various TTUHSC teaching awards, including the Internal Medicine Department Residents “Outstanding Faculty Award” for 15+ consecutive years; “Clinical Faculty Award for Clinical Excellence”, 1988-2002; President’s Excellence in Teaching Award for the School of Medicine, 1990; and Students “Lifetime Teaching Award”, 1999-2001. He was also a finalist for ACGME’s Parker J. Palmer “Courage to Teach” Award in 2001.

Courses: Research Opportunities for Faculty at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso, How to Conduct a Morning Report, How to use the Teaching Podium, How to prepare for an effective presentation at a Journal Club, Effective use of Audience Interactive Response System (AIRS) in your presentation, Workshop on Oral Presentation, How to write and ask good questions that measure the student understanding, Planning for a Comprehensive Faculty Evaluation, What is an Academic Portfolio and How to prepare for yours, and How to prepare for your Tenure and Promotion

Dr. Horn joined the faculty of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in El Paso in 1988 and is currently an Associate Professor and Clerkship Director for the Department of Family Medicine.

Education: M.D., Baylor College of Medicine; Residency, Family Medicine, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, El Paso, TX; Fellowship, Faculty Development Center, Waco, TX.

Dr. Horn was awarded the “Clinical Teaching Award”, 1995-2001; students “Faculty of the Year Award”, 2004; and is listed in The Best Doctors in America: Central Region, 1996-1997.

Courses: Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE); Small Group Learning Workshop
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Dr. Jesurun joined the faculty of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in 1979. He is a Professor of Pediatrics and serves as Director of the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Thomason Hospital. His practice specialty is neonatal-perinatal medicine.

Education: M.D., Baylor College of Medicine; Residency, Pediatrics, Children's Hospital of Michigan; Fellowship, Neonatology, Children's Hospital of Michigan.

Dr. Jesurun has been listed in The Best Doctors in America in 1997, 1998, and 2001, and was editor of the Perinatal Advocate for 9 years.

During his tenure, Dr. Jesurun has served on various committees and has twice been elected Chief of Staff. He is in demand as a speaker on subjects ranging from neonatology to bioethics.

Courses: How to Deliver an Effective Oral Presentation, What is Professionalism and How Can We Develop It?, and How to Professionally Prepare Your CV

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Ms. Knott currently serves as Associate Director, Gallo Library of the Health Sciences and was appointed as a Faculty Associate in the Texas Tech University School of Medicine's Department of Health Communications in 1983.

Education: MPA, 1990, University of Texas at El Paso; MLS, 1982, University of Oklahoma; BUS, 1980, University of New Mexico.

Ms. Knott's professional area of interest is in medical informatics.

Courses: What you have wished to accomplish but don't know how to search for the literature?; Workshop on oral presentation

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Dr. McGovern, Professor of the department of Neuropsychiatry and Director of the HealthCare Ethics and Humanities Program joined the School of Medicine 26 years ago.

Education: Ed.D., Texas Tech University; Ph.D., Texas Tech University, M.A., Texas Tech University. B.A., Texas Tech University.

His areas of interest include clinical ethics and treatment of addictions. He is editor of the Alcoholism Treatment Quarterly.

Courses: Current ethical issues in medical education and practice

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Dr. McMahon, Associate Professor of Pharmacology, joined the faculty of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at Lubbock in 1988.

Education: Postdoctoral, University of Health Sciences/The Chicago Medical School, NIH Postdoctoral Fellowship, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, Ph.D., North Dakota State University, B.S., Chemistry, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology.

In 1994, Dr. McMahon was elected member of the Teaching Academy for TTUHSC School of Medicine. In addition to having been awarded numerous grants, Dr. McMahon has been honored for teaching awards which include Dean's Basic Science Teaching Award, and Dean's Teaching Scholar in Geriatrics.

Course: Small Group Learning Workshop

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Dr. Nelson is a Professor of Emergency Medicine. He joined the faculty of Texas Tech in 1983.

Education: M.D., Baylor University College of Medicine; Residency, Emergency Medicine, Johns Hopkins Medical Institution, Baltimore, MD.

Dr. Nelson maintains a professional interest in the field of statistics. His honors at Texas Tech include the Dean's Award for Faculty Development, 1999; Outstanding Teaching Faculty Award, Resident Class, 1992; and Clinical Teaching Award, Medical Student Class, 1990.

Courses: Biomedical Statistics for the beginners

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She received a Bachelor of Journalism degree from UT Austin and began her career at the El Paso Times in 1971. Ms. Reynolds specializes in healthcare marketing and has trained at Texas Medical Center in Houston (Texas Children's Hospital, Texas Heart Institute, St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital).

Courses: Your role with Public Relations and Public/Community Service

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Dr. Rial Rolfe, Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, joined the faculty of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at Lubbock in 1981. He was named Assistant Dean for Faculty Development in 1998 and was promoted in 2001 to Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Development. Dr. Rolfe was named Chair of the Department of Health Organization Management in 2002.

Education: Ph.D., Department of Microbiology, University of Missouri, Columbia; Fellowship, Department of Internal Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, University of California, Los Angeles; MBA (Health Organization Management), Texas Tech University.

Dr. Rolfe has been awarded more than $1.2 million in extramurally funded research grants and has published more than 70 articles. Book chapters and monographs. His areas of research interest include the role of the normal intestinal flora in health and disease, and the pathogenesis, prevention and treatment of Clostridium difficile-associated intestinal disease.

Courses: Personal Digital Assistant (PDA) and You, Mission-Based Budgeting, and How to prepare for your Tenure and Promotion

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Ms. Ruddock currently serves as Assistant Director, Gallo Library of the Health Sciences. She became a Faculty Associate with the Texas Tech University School of Medicine’s Department of Health Communications in 1993.


Ms. Ruddock’s professional area of interest is in medical informatics.

Courses: What you have wished to accomplish but don’t know how to search for the literature?
Ms. Ryan joined Texas Tech as Director, Human Resources in 2002.

Education: M.S., Human Resource Development, Webster University; B.B.A. in Management/Marketing with a concentration in Human Resources, UTEP.

Ms. Ryan is certified as a Senior Professional in Human Resources and is a member of the National Society for HR Management, the El Paso Society for HR Management, and Border Toasters. She has many years of experience in training on human resources related topics.

Courses: The Art of Interviewing; Performance Coaching.

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Dr. Schydlower currently serves as Assistant Dean for Medical Education and Professor of Pediatrics at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. He joined the faculty in 1977 and his practice specialties include pediatrics and adolescent medicine.

Education: M.D., University of New Mexico School of Medicine; Internship, Pediatrics, Memorial Hospital, Long Beach, CA; Residency, Pediatrics, Children’s Hospital/Orange County Medical Center, CA; Fellowship, Adolescent Medicine, Los Angeles Children’s Hospital, CA.

Courses: How to effectively Evaluate Students and Residents?; How can we effectively implement the 6 core-competencies?

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Dr. Williams is Professor of Medicine, Director, Office of Border Health and Project Director for the Hispanic Center of Excellence with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. His practice specialties include internal medicine and hematology.

Education: M.D., Baylor University College of Medicine; Residency, Internal Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine; M.P.H., University of Texas Health Sciences Center at Houston School of Public Health.

Courses: Reading and Analyzing Scientific Articles; Literature Citation Management: Introduction to the End Note Software; How to write a grant proposal?, and HCOE and Faculty Development projects presented by the Faculty Executive Committee in 1997.