



Discover the next generation of research at UT Southwestern

From precision heart therapies and brain-machine interfaces to advanced biosensing technologies, the future of medicine is taking center stage at the **2026 New Faculty Research Forum**.

Join colleagues from across campus on **Nov. 12** to hear new faculty members share about the innovative work they're bringing to UT Southwestern. This annual, all-day event offers a unique opportunity to explore potential collaborations and connect with scientists bringing their ideas to our institution.

This year's event will feature a keynote address by **Helen H. Hobbs, M.D.**, who together with **Ronald Victor, M.D.**, and **Jonathan Cohen, Ph.D.**, established the Dallas Heart Study, a landmark multiethnic, population-based cohort that has identified key biological factors that influence health and disease. Findings from this project include several therapeutic targets that are now helping to prevent and treat heart and liver disease.

Whether you're looking to spark partnerships, gain fresh insights, or explore emerging breakthroughs, this event offers a front-row seat to the ideas shaping what's next in healthcare and biomedical science.

[Register and save your spot](#)



What's ahead for UT Southwestern

Kick off the new academic year by joining UTSW President **Daniel K. Podolsky, M.D.**, for the first [President's Briefing](#) of the season at **9 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 9**. Hear directly from Dr. Podolsky about the latest institutional developments, priorities, and vision for the year ahead.

Your voice matters. Questions from the campus community help shape the discussion, so submit yours by clicking the button below.

[Ask the President](#)



Calling all Mustang fans: Win SMU football tickets

Today's your shot to score free tickets to a Southern Methodist University (SMU) home game this football season.

To enter, **fill out the form below at 3 p.m. today**. Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis, so act fast! Please note that each employee is eligible for one pair of tickets per season.

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HONORS & AWARDS HIGHLIGHTS

Spotlight on excellence

Our UT Southwestern colleagues continue to earn recognition, accolades, and awards for leadership, innovation, and creativity. Here are a few recent highlights with links to more detailed stories on *Center Times Plus*:

[Cullum receives 2026 Karen Postal Outstanding Mentorship Award](#)

Throughout his 32 years at UT Southwestern, **Munro Cullum, Ph.D., ABPP**, Professor of Psychiatry, Neurological Surgery, and Neurology, has always had trainees working alongside him. While his formal trainees at UTSW number more than 100, his mentoring reaches well beyond campus. In honor of his mentoring work, the American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology and the Society for Clinical Neuropsychology selected Dr. Cullum for the 2026 Karen Postal Outstanding Mentorship Award.

[Milman receives national emergency medicine teaching award](#)

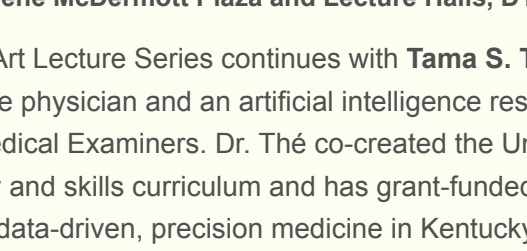
"Individualized and learner-centered" is how **Brian Milman, M.D.**, Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, describes his teaching style. His favorite part is seeing the transformation from the first day to graduation day. Dr. Milman has been selected to receive the 2026 American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) National Emergency Medicine Junior Faculty Teaching Award in recognition of his outstanding teaching.

[Pomper shares American Innovator Award from Bayh-Dole Coalition](#)

For a breakthrough that gave physicians the ability to see prostate cancer with a new level of clarity and accuracy, **Martin Pomper, M.D., Ph.D.**, Chair and Professor of Radiology, received a 2026 American Innovator Award from the Bayh-Dole Coalition. Since its approval by the Food and Drug Administration in 2021, PYLARIFY, a fluorinated small molecule imaging agent, has been used in over 760,000 scans.

[More Honors & Awards stories on CT Plus](#)

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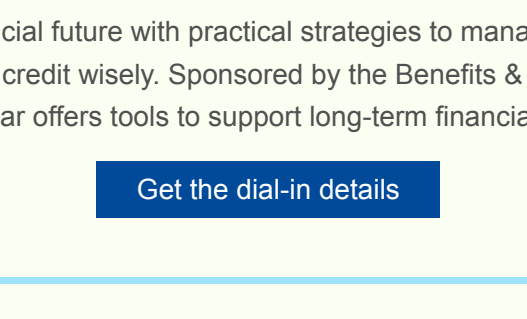
AI Lecture Series: Dr. Tama Thé

Noon to 1 p.m., Aug. 27

Eugene McDermott Plaza and Lecture Halls, D1.502

The AI State of the Art Lecture Series continues with **Tama S. Thé, M.D.**, a pediatric emergency medicine physician and an artificial intelligence research fellow with the National Board of Medical Examiners. Dr. Thé co-created the University of Kentucky's institutional AI literacy and skills curriculum and has grant-funded AI projects to provide data-driven, precision medicine in Kentucky.

[Learn more and register](#)



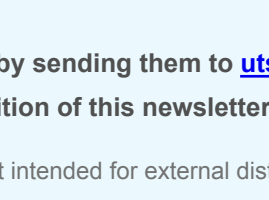
Take control of your financial life

10-11 a.m., Aug. 18

Virtual

Build a stronger financial future with practical strategies to manage spending, create a budget, and use your credit wisely. Sponsored by the Benefits & Wellness Department, this webinar offers tools to support long-term financial wellness.

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