



## Center for Teaching Excellence Director

We are pleased to announce an open call for the next Director of the Center for Teaching Excellence. After a term of 3 years of excellent leadership of the CTE, Karen Thomas has decided to transition into a new role at SMU as the Associate Dean for Inclusive Excellence in the Meadows School of the Arts. We are grateful for her extraordinary contributions; under her leadership, the CTE expanded in many ways: the addition of an annual Spring retreat with a focus on inclusive teaching, a Faculty Affiliates program, a wide partnership of collaborative workshops, and several discussion groups.

Faculty interested in becoming the next CTE Director are encouraged to apply for a three-year (renewable) appointment effective as early as June 1 or July 1, 2024. The Director of the CTE reports to the Associate Provost for Faculty Success and serves with Dr. Addy Tolliver, Associate Director for the CTE. Key priorities for the CTE directorship role include the following:

- Design a series of faculty engagement opportunities, such as the Faculty Affiliate Program, the Faculty Development Advisory Board, and Graduate Student Fellowship program
- Coordinate the Annual Teaching Effectiveness Symposium (TES), Spring Kickoff Event, and the Spring Engagement and Inclusion (SEI) Institute
- Provide processes and workshops with and for full-time, adjunct faculty, and TAs on topics related to teaching, learning and continuous improvement, with a particular emphasis on Inclusive Education
- Collaborate on direct engagement and outreach for faculty, such as workshops, on-request teaching observations, and intra-university networking
- Support annual internal teaching awards and grants
- Provide leadership and management of the university-wide course evaluation system
- Collaborate with campus-wide partners that impact online and face-to-face instructional initiatives (Office of Information Technology, Central University Libraries, Moody School of Graduate and Advance Studies, SMU GO/CAPE, and the Office of Institutional Planning and Effectiveness)

All full-time, benefits-eligible faculty are eligible to apply. A strong candidate will demonstrate interest in, and prior participation in, initiatives related to faculty development, innovative teaching, and collegial networking. The CTE Director is an 11-month position with two compensated summer months annually, with up to 75% of the academic year allocated to the directorship appointment.

## Application Process

Faculty can apply directly or can be nominated. Applications and nominations are due by Friday, April 26. Nominations consist of a brief paragraph of endorsement to [facultysuccess@smu.edu](mailto:facultysuccess@smu.edu). Applications should be submitted as a current CV and cover letter to [facultysuccess@smu.edu](mailto:facultysuccess@smu.edu). Finalists will be invited to an interview the week of May 6-10 with a start date of either June 1 or July 1, 2024. Questions about the position or process can be addressed to Paige Ware, Associate Provost for Faculty Success: [pware@smu.edu](mailto:pware@smu.edu).