September 2022

“We need to help students and parents cherish and preserve the ethnic and cultural diversity that nourishes and strengthens this community — and this nation.” - Cesar Chavez

This month:

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Upcoming Events

64th Faculty Senate

The 64th Faculty Senate 2022-2023
Chair: Lynn Ledbetter
Vice Chair: Jennifer Jensen
Co-Secretaries: Dale Blasingame and Ben Martin

Fall Application Deadlines

Faculty Development Leave: Applications are due October 3rd via the Faculty Requests ¹ application system.

Nontenure Line Faculty Workload Release: Applications are due October 10th via the Faculty Requests ² application system.

¹https://tim.txstate.edu/facultyrequests/Login?returnurl=%2ffacultyrequests%2f
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Academic Freedom Corner

The Faculty Senate’s Academic Freedom Committee is in the process of analyzing data from the academic freedom survey administered to Texas State faculty during the Spring 2022 semester. We hope to be able to provide a summary of the findings in the next bulletin.

If you would like to contact the committee about any concerns regarding academic freedom on campus, you can contact us using our contact form at the link below.

https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/committees/freedom/contact-afc.html

Fall Meeting Dates

All meetings are held in JCK 880 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM with a Zoom option (unless otherwise noted on the agenda³)

August and September meeting minutes⁴ are available on the Faculty Senate website.

³https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/about/meetings/weekly-agenda.html
October 5 (Presidential Academic Advisory Group)
October 12
October 19
October 26 (Full Senate meeting - Senators and Liaisons)
November 2
November 9 (Presidential Academic Advisory Group)
November 16
November 30
December 7 (Presidential Academic Advisory Group)

University Lecturers Events

Mathematics Department presents Professor Mohamed Omar, Friday October 21 at 3:30 PM - Derrick Hall

Mohamed Omar, PhD, Harvey Mudd College Associate Professor of Mathematics and Joseph B. Platt Chair in Effective Teaching, specializes in algebraic methods in graph theory and combinatorial optimization. Omar earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in pure mathematics, combinatorics and optimization from the University of Waterloo in 2006 and 2007, respectively, and his PhD in mathematics from the University of California, Davis, in 2011.

Omar is interested in and heavily involved with mathematics outreach, in two main capacities: increasing diversity in STEM, and mathematical enrichment for high school students. He is active in

https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/about/64th-senate-minutes.html
outreach programs, mentoring and work with national mathematical associations to promote diversity in math.

Professor Omar will speak about his experience using creativity and overcoming obstacles as a working mathematician.

The Department of Agricultural Science presents Dr. Frank Asche, Thursday, October 27th.

FRANK ASCHE - PROFESSOR, NATURAL RESOURCE ECONOMICS FLORIDA SEA GRANT AFFILIATE FACULTY

Frank Asche is a natural resource economist with a primary research focus on seafood, but who also engages in other natural resource challenges such as energy and food production in general. Frank is
president of the International Association of Aquaculture Economics and Management (IAAEM), editor for Aquaculture Economics and Management and associate editor for Marine Resource Economics. He was also a member of the team that developed the Fish Price Index of the United Nation's Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO).

The Tomás Rivera Children's Book Award Author Presentations are November 3, 2022 in the LBJ Grand Ballroom.

9:30 - 10:30 AM Young Readers
11:00 AM - Noon Older Readers

Contact Us!
Do you have a question, concern or issue you want the Faculty Senate to address? Want to make a suggestion? Contact the senate via our website.\(^5\)

More information about these and other topics can be found in the Faculty Senate minutes posted on the Faculty Senate website\(^6\), or by contacting your Faculty Senator\(^7\) or Senate Liaison\(^8\). The Faculty Senate encourages you to voice your concerns and comments on any faculty and shared governance topics to these representatives or directly to the senate.

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\(^5\) [http://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/contact/contact-us.html](http://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/contact/contact-us.html)
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\(^8\) [https://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/contact/senate-liaisons.html](https://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/contact/senate-liaisons.html)