

Snow Season Education Retreat

January 15 & 16, 2026



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Thank you Snow Season Planning Committee

- Katherine Anderson, MD, Pediatrics
- Joanne Astill-Vaccaro, MD, Psychiatry
- Lewis First, MD, Pediatrics
- Naomi Hodde, MD, Medicine
- Kathryn Huggett, PhD, Medicine, The Teaching Academy
- Christopher Kanner, DO, Radiology
- John Miller, MD, Medicine
- Andrew Rosenfeld, MD, Psychiatry
- Chantal Roy-Hewitson, MD, Neurological Sciences
- Alissa Thomas, MD, Neurological Sciences

Teaching Academy Year in Review

- **10th Anniversary Celebration**
- **Medical Education Fellowship Program**
- **Essentials of Teaching and Assessment Course**
- **Medical Education Grand Rounds**
- **Writers Workshop**
- **Manuscript Marathon**
- **AAMC Medical Education Research Certificate Workshops**
- **IAMSE Webinar Series**
- **Portfolio Workshops**

And more!

- **Summer Research and Scholarship Series**
- **Course and Clerkship Evaluations**
- **Research/Survey Consultations**
- **Annual LCOM Surveys Administration**
- **MCC Evaluation Subcommittee**
- **MCC Annual Curriculum Retreat**

Summer Research and Scholarship Series



June 11: An Introduction to Comics-Based Research

Luis Vivanco, PhD; Chair of the Anthropology Department, Professor

Alice Stokes, MLIS; Clinical and Education Librarian, Library Associate Professor

July 16: Navigating the Maze of Methodology: Introduction to Educational Research Design

Abby Konopasky, Ph.D., PHD; Director and Associate Professor of Medical Education, Dartmouth Geisel School of Medicine

October 8: Google Scholar Says I Did What? Academic Identity Theft and How to Stop It

Gary Atwood, MA, MLIS; Library Associate Professor

Teaching Academy Annual Report - FY25

The Teaching Academy
ANNUAL REPORT 2025

The Teaching Academy Celebrates its Ten Year Anniversary



Anniversary Events and Activities

March-April: Snapshots of 10 Years: Coffee and Celebration, The Future of Medical Education Journal Discussion

May: Teaching Academy Outcomes, Study Interest Meetings, Invited Plenary Speaker: Cynthia Nebel, PhD, St. Louis University School of Medicine "Translating Learning into Practice: Evidence-Based Strategies for Knowledge Transfer", 10th Anniversary Luncheon, 10th Anniversary Educational Scholarship Award, 10th Anniversary Photo Display

Ongoing: 10th Anniversary Photo Display

What does the Teaching Academy mean to our Members?



Teaching Academy 10th Anniversary Educational Scholarship Award Recipient

Katherine Dolbec, MD, FACEP, CAQSM; Ashley Weisman, MD, Adam Bloom, DO, Victoria Zhou, MD

Project: Implementation of a Formalized Coaching Structure into the University of Vermont Medical Center Emergency Medicine Residency Program

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MISSION: The mission of the Teaching Academy is to become a **community** of educators that leads **educational innovation** and scholarship by fostering intercultural excellence and promoting faculty members' pursuit of **educational excellence and scholarship**.

Medical Education Grand Rounds

FALL 2025

- **September 19:** Challenging the Status Quo of Tiered, Norm-Referenced Grading, *Elise Everett, MD, MS*
- **October 24:** Does My Project Need to Be Reviewed by the IRB? *Melanie Locher, Coralee Tye*
- **November 21:** Supporting the Student Writer: Strategies and Considerations for Involving Medical Students in Research Projects, *Nena Mason, PhD*
- **December 5:** Empowering Health Professions Students: Leveraging Generative AI for Critical Appraisal and Deep Learning, *Youngjin Cho, MS, PhD; Amy Wilson-Delfosse, PhD*

SPRING 2026

- **February 13:** Why Do They Call It a Learning Curve? How to Use the Non-linearity of Learning to Improve Your Education Programs and Research, *Martin Pusic, MD, PhD*
- **March 13:** Paul O'Rourke, MD, MPH, FACP
- **April 10:** Frymoyer Scholars Program Showcase
- **May 1:** What Responsibility Do Basic Science Educators Have for the Professional Identity Formation of Physicians? *Janet Lindsley, PhD*

Teaching Academy Award Recipients

Teaching Academy Curriculum Development and Educational Scholarship Award

Abigail Hielscher, Ph.D.

Building Lasting Relationships: What Can the Arts Teach Us About Mentorship

Anna Ricci, Ph.D. and Abigail Hielscher, Ph.D.

Anatomy Workshops for Step 1 and the Transition to Clerkships

Teaching Academy Travel Award

Bei Zhang, M.D., Ph.D., MLS (ASCP)

Teaching Academy Teaching and Educational Excellence Awards

Nominees

- Abigail Hielscher, PhD
- Agnes Balla, MD
- Alissa Thomas, MD
- Andrew Hale, MD
- Anna Ricci, PhD
- Arlene Chung, MD
- Borzoo Farhang, DO
- Carolyn Lyon, MD
- Erin Morris, MD
- Georgia Farrell, MD
- James Levins, MD
- Jeremiah Dickerson, MD
- John Steele Taylor, MD
- John Wax, MD
- Karly Rogers, RN, BSN
- Laurel Plante, MD
- Lauren Iacono, DO
- Martha Seagrave, PA-C
- Merima Ruhotina, MD
- Molly Rideout, MD
- Nicholas Aunchman, MD
- Nicole Habel, MD, PhD
- Paige Georgiadis, MD
- Pamela Gibson, MD
- Robert Nesbit, MD
- Rohit Singh, MD
- Santana VanDyke, MD
- Scarlett Johnson, MD
- Stephen Berns, MD
- Victoria Zhou, MD
- Whitney Calkins, MD

Mentoring Workshop Series

Teaching Academy members who currently mentor one or more faculty, within or beyond their department or institution, or who expect to begin mentoring soon are invited to apply.

Wednesdays, 12-1pm

- March 25, 2026
- May 20, 2026
- August 19, 2026
- October 21, 2026
- December 16, 2026
- February 17, 2027
- April 14, 2027

If you're interested in participating in this workshop series, please email Abby Hielscher or the Teaching Academy for more information.

Teaching Academy 10th Anniversary Luncheon

May 9, 2025



Teaching Academy 10th Anniversary Plenary Speaker

May 9, 2025



Translating Learning into Practice: Evidence-Based Strategies for Knowledge Transfer

Cynthia Nebel, Ph.D.

Director of Learning Services, St. Louis University School of Medicine



Teaching Academy 10th Anniversary Photo Display

March 13, 2025



Photos are still on display!

Stop by the Teaching Academy to see the photos and reflect on the impact of our shared efforts as we look forward to the continued advancement of medical education.



Thank you!

Thank you for a decade of support as we:

- Sustain Educator Development
- Advance Educational Innovation
- Promote Scholarship in Education
- Build a Strong Community



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Teaching Academy 10th Anniversary Events & Activities

- **Teaching Academy Outcomes Study: May 6 and May 21**
- **Invited Plenary Speaker: May 9**
- **10th Anniversary Luncheon: May 9**
- **10th Anniversary Educational Scholarship Award: May 1**
- **The Future of Medical Education Discussion: April 17**
- **Photo Display: Ongoing**



Teaching Academy 10th Anniversary Educational Scholarship Award

Katherine Dolbec, M.D., FACEP, CAQSM; Ashley Weisman, M.D., Adam Bloom, D.O., Victoria Zhou, M.D.

Implementation of a Formalized Coaching Structure into the University of Vermont Medical Center Emergency Medicine Residency Program

Frymoyer Scholars Program 2025 Award Recipients

Ryan Mason, MD, FAAEM; Anastasia Arvin-Diblaso, MS-III, EMT-A; Daniel Frederick, BA, RN, CEN, TCRN, PCCN; Maurice Paquette, PA-C; Victoria Zhou, MD
Interfacility Transfer Curriculum

Jean Pelski, PhD, APRN, NNP-BC; Rebecca Nagle, DNP, PNP-BC; Rachel Garfield PhD, MHS; Breena Holmes, MD
Transforming Nursing Education Through the Touchpoints Approach: Strengthening Family-Centered Care

David Rand, DO, MPH, FACP; Christine Vatovec, PhD; Robert Inglis, MD; Mark Pasanen, MD, FACP
Developing a Planetary Health Curriculum for Residents

Medical Education Fellowship Program

2025-2026 Participants

- Emilija Florance, MD
- Margaret Gray, MD, MS
- John King, MD
- Florence On, MD
- Robert Quinn, MD
- Paula Smith, PT, MAS, DPT, GCS
- Melissa Volanskey, MD

Teaching Academy Resources



Develop Skills in Teaching



Get Involved



Find Funding



Develop Skills in Educational Scholarship

Essentials of Teaching and Assessment

Read the Newsletter

UVM Health Network Medical Group Education Award

Writers Workshop/ Manuscript Marathon

Snow Season Education Retreat

Attend Events

Frymoyer Scholars Program

Medical Education Fellowship Program

Peer Observation of Teaching

Be a Mentor/ Request a Mentor

Teaching Academy Publication Stipend*

For more

information visit:
<http://med.uvm.edu/teachingacademy>

Medical Education Grand Rounds

Apply for Membership

Teaching Academy Curriculum Development Award*

Teaching Academy Travel Award*



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*Open to Teaching Academy Members only

Teaching Academy Membership

Current total: 241

Distinguished Educators: 28

Expert Teachers: 58

Members: 126

Associate Members: 29

And more are welcome! Applications are due April 1, 2026

IAMSE Winter 2026 Webinars

From Hype to Reality: AI's Rapid Transformation of Health-Sciences Professions Education

The series will examine evidence-based applications, assessment of knowledge/skills, human factors in AI adoption, autonomous AI agents for teaching and administration, and policy and competency frameworks for faculty and students. Presentations will focus on practical examples, emerging risks, and actionable strategies faculty can use now to design learning, assessment, and support systems that prepare students for a practice environment transformed by AI. This series is intended for basic-science and clinical educators seeking forward-looking, implementable guidance.

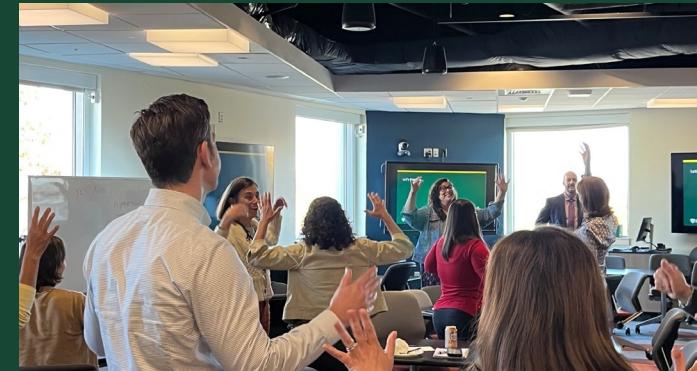
Join the Teaching Academy for these drop-in webinars. Sign up for one session or all of them! All sessions take place Thursdays from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm.



SCAN THE QR CODE AND USE REGISTRANT ID: [62110846](#) TO SIGN UP UNDER THE TEACHING ACADEMY'S PAID REGISTRATION

Past sessions are available to view under this registration as well.

Teaching Academy 2025 Events



Snow Season

Education Retreat

Essentials of Teaching

and Assessment

Medical Education

Grand Rounds



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Thank You 2024 Portfolio Reviewers

- Jo Astill-Vaccaro, MD
- Dennis Beatty, MD
- Matt Geeslin, MD
- Karen George, MD, MPH
- Emily Hadley Strout, MD
- Abby Hielscher, PhD
- Naomi Hodde, MD
- Breena Holmes, MD
- Leigh Ann Holterman, PhD
- Chris Kanner, DO
- Anna Ricci, PhD
- Molly Rideout, MD
- Maya Strange, MD
- Halle Sobel, MD
- Christi Wojewoda, MD
- Chantal Roy-Hewitson, MD
- Jay Silveira, PhD
- Jennifer Todd, MD
- Alissa Thomas, MD
- John Wax, MD

Thank You 2025 Award Review Committee Members

- Dennis Beatty, MD
- Michelle Cangiano, MD
- Lewis First, MD
- Brady Heward, MD
- Joe Kennedy, MD
- Macaulay Onuigbo, MD
- Mark Pasanen, MD
- Delphine Quenet, PhD
- Molly Rideout, MD
- Halle Sobel, MD

Teaching Academy Member Opportunities

Teaching Academy Curriculum Development and Educational Scholarship Award

The Teaching Academy will present an award, up to \$10,000, to fund projects that foster innovation and improvement in teaching, learning, and educational scholarship.

Teaching Academy Travel Award

The Teaching Academy will award up to two travel awards, up to \$1000 each, to support member travel to present educational scholarship or attend professional development events related to the mission of the Teaching Academy.

Teaching Academy Member Opportunities

Teaching Academy Publication Stipend

The Teaching Academy Publication Stipend is dedicated to helping Members defray publication costs of up to \$500 for manuscripts on healthcare or medical education-related topics accepted for publication in education journals or education-focused sections of relevant academic journals.

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.