



# e-TEACH Newsletter

*...planting the seeds of education*

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## What's New with TEACH?

[3-Months-at-a-Glance Calendar](#)

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### Education Day 2025

**Save the Date!**

**October 23, 2025**

This year's Education Day events will include the Richard C. Vari Endowed Lecture on Well-being at 12:00 pm and the annual Recognition and Awards Ceremony at 5:00 pm. To celebrate and recognize our health professions educators, we will be bringing back Educator Appreciation Week as part of our Education Day events. More details to come!

[Event Page](#)

[Check out Past Education Day highlights](#)

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### TEACH Education Journal Club: Author in the Room

Join us for a fresh take on journal club *Author in the Room* brings an article's author directly to you for a 15-minute summary, curated Q&A, and open discussion. Engage firsthand with the research and the researcher behind it:

**Wednesday, October 1, 2025**

**12:00 pm - 1:00 pm**

See Calendar Invite for details. Open to all TEACH Members.

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**TEACH Education Grand Rounds**

Teaching Excellence Academy for  
Collaborative Healthcare

**Featured Speaker**

# Teaching Perspectives Inventory - Applying to Practice

## **Paul Haidet, MD, MPH**

Distinguished Professor, Department of Medicine  
Division of General Internal Medicine  
Distinguished Professor, Department of Public Health  
Sciences  
*Penn State College of Medicine*



**August 21, 2025**

2 Hybrid Sessions -  
Choose 1

[Register Here](#)

### **[Register: Crafting Your Academic Narrative: A Hands-on CV Workshop for Faculty](#)**

**Session Date:** September 11, 2025 12:00 - 1:00 pm

**Location:** M210, VTCOM (2 Riverside Circle)

Register to join us for an interactive workshop focused on creating a Curriculum Vitae (CV) that represents your professional accomplishments. A well-developed CV is critical for promotion and growth within academic medicine. This hands-on workshop will walk you through the necessary components, proper placement within Elements, and how to best display your achievements.

[Register here](#)

## **Recognition and Rewards**

**Join us in welcoming new TEACH members for May 2025!**

Amira Elsabagh, DO (Internal Medicine)



*The Perks Award is presented each quarter to the TEACH member(s) who attended the most OCPD and/or TEACH sessions. Winners are awarded a coffee gift card. If you are looking for stimulating faculty development and the opportunity to win an extra caffeine boost, join us for as many TEACH sessions as you can!*

## Spill The TEA!

[See who was recognized by TEA this quarter.](#)

### Submit a TEACH Educator Appreciation (TEA) Message

Send notes of appreciation and thanks to faculty members who have impacted your education, career, and life. TEA messages help to express appreciation for our teachers throughout the organization.

Submit a TEA  
Message Here

Click the button on the right to submit a TEA message today!

## Educator Resources

### [Read: Summary of Key Changes to the 2025-26 Faculty Handbook](#)

The 2025–26 Faculty Handbook has been updated by Faculty Affairs in coordination with the Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost and the Faculty Senate. In addition to administrative updates, this edition includes several substantive revisions approved through the university governance process and the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors. Highlights include updates to sections on faculty organizations, non-discrimination, faculty reconciliation, clinical faculty, and the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine. Read the [Faculty Handbook here](#).

### [Resource: How to Take Advantage of Virginia Tech's Open Access Policy](#)

Learn how to make your research openly accessible through VTechWorks, Virginia Tech's repository, regardless of copyright agreements. This session, led by Philip Young from University Libraries, covers depositing articles, preparing versions, and increasing visibility through open access.

#### Upcoming Session:

- August 19 | 1–2 p.m.

### [Register: Visualize This! Elevate Your Research with Better Posters](#)

**Webinar Date: August 6, 2:00 pm ET**

Join for a free webinar on designing and presenting effective scientific posters, with strategies to share your work, engage your audience, and advance your education scholarship.

[Register: AAMC IDEAS Webinar, Addressing National Healthcare Needs: Cultivating Physicians That Practice in Medically Underserved Communities](#)

**Webinar Date: August 21, 12:00 - 1:15 pm ET**

Join for a free webinar exploring strategies to cultivate physicians who will serve medically underserved communities, featuring national data and evidence-based approaches from UME and GME.

## AI in Med ED

[Read: New AAMC Data Snapshot Examines Artificial Intelligence in Medical Education](#)

A new AAMC data snapshot reveals a 59% increase in U.S. and Canadian medical schools incorporating AI into their curricula from 2023 to 2024, highlighting both rapid growth and ongoing gaps in adoption. The findings underscore opportunities to strengthen AI infrastructure and access for learners, faculty, and staff.

[Submit: AAMC's Advancing Across Academic Medicine Resource Collection](#)

**Submit by: August 15, 2025, 11:59 pm PT**

The Advancing AI Across Academic Medicine Resource Collection is a repository of timely, freely accessible resources designed to help medical schools, academic health systems, and teaching hospitals effectively integrate AI into their educational environments.

The AAMC seeks to enhance and expand this collection and invites submissions of practical resources to advance the responsible use of AI across academic medicine.

[Check out the current collection](#)

[Read the complete call for submissions](#)

## Educator Opportunities

[Apply: Regional GEA MESRE Grant](#)

**Deadline: August 15, 2025**

The AAMC GEA Regions are funding new MESRE projects to grow a community of educational scholars, with priority for collaborations across institutions and across UME, GME, and CPD. Check your region's submission instructions; funding decisions will be shared in December, and projects may begin on or after January 1, 2026.

[Attend: Welcome Back Symposium: Practical Strategies to Enhance Student Learning](#)

**Date: August 22, 2025, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

Join the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning for a symposium focused on motivating and engaging students to support their academic success. Virginia Tech faculty will share effective strategies for fostering student engagement, offering attendees inspiration and practical ideas to apply in their own teaching. Registration coming soon.

[Submit a Grant Proposal for a Faculty Teaching Group at Virginia Tech](#)

**Submit by: September 1, 2025**

The Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning is offering Faculty Teaching Group Grants to support small, collaborative faculty groups exploring topics in higher education teaching and learning. Grants of up to \$2,000 are available, with approximately five groups funded annually. This program fosters interdisciplinary connections and innovation in teaching across Virginia Tech. For additional information or if you have questions, please contact the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning at [teaching@vt.edu](mailto:teaching@vt.edu).

[Register to Attend: AMA ChangeMedEd 2025, Swissôtel, Chicago](#)

**Conference Date: September 11 - 12, 2025**

Join for ChangeMedEd® 2025, the American Medical Association's national conference bringing together innovators in medical education and health care to share bold ideas and proven strategies for transforming physician training. This year's event features keynote presentations, panel discussions, peer-led sessions, and networking opportunities—including the new Bright Ideas Challenge, where attendees will vote on innovative uses of AI in medical education for a chance to win \$20,000 grants. Don't miss your chance to be part of this dynamic and forward-thinking gathering.

[Submit: Poster Abstracts for 2025 IPEC Virtual Poster Fair](#)



**Deadline: September 12, 2025**

The Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC), of which the AAMC is a member, is seeking innovative IPE or collaborative practice projects for its virtual [IPEC Poster Fair](#). The event will take place on Nov. 20 from 3-5 p.m. ET, and the deadline for abstracts is Sept. 12. The call is open to faculty, students, and teams.

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**[Call for Proposals: 18th Annual Conference on Higher Education Pedagogy](#)****Deadline: September 15, 2025**

The 18th Annual Conference on Higher Education Pedagogy will take place February 4–6, 2026, at the Inn at Virginia Tech, showcasing innovative teaching practices and research in higher education. The call for proposals opens July 15 and closes September 15, with a focus on sustaining pedagogical excellence—learn more or submit at [chep.teaching.vt.edu](http://chep.teaching.vt.edu).

Proposals are sought for sessions focused on sustaining pedagogical excellence: supporting long-term teaching success, including burnout prevention, institutional support, and mentorship. To submit your proposals, click this link: <https://event.fourwaves.com/chep2026/pages>

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**[Register: American Board of Medical Specialties \(ABMS\) Conference 2025, Pittsburgh, PA](#)****Conference Date: September 17-19, 2025**

Registration for the ABMS (American Board of Medical Specialties) Conference 2025 is now open. The conference will be held Sept. 17–19 in Pittsburgh and offers an opportunity to share innovative collaborations, evidence-based research, and best practices that accelerate the transformation of certification and delivery of high-quality care.

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**[Register: The Generalists in Medical Education \(TGME\) 2025 Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX](#)****Conference Date: October 30 - 31, 2025**

Join for the 2025 Generalists in Medical Education (TGME) conference, themed "Navigating Challenges in Health Professions Education through Innovative Solutions," featuring plenary speakers Elissa Hall and Laura Turner. Early bird registration (\$380) ends October 1—[register here](TGME Registration)!

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**[Register: Learn Serve Lead 2025: The AAMC Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX](#)****Conference Date: November 1 - 5, 2025**

This year's meeting will bring together over 4,500 academic medicine leaders, learners, and educators for 110+ dynamic sessions, inspiring plenaries, and hands-on learning. Attendees will gain actionable insights, foster meaningful connections, and explore bold ideas to reignite their purpose and advance their work in academic medicine.

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**[Save the Date: 2026 Emerging Technologies for Teaching and Learning: Digital Demonstrations Virtual Conference](#)****Conference Date: February 4-6, 2026**

AACN members and stakeholders are encouraged to [submit news, announcements, and resources](#) for inclusion on the AACN website and in the News Watch weekly newsletter. Submissions are due by 12:00 pm (ET) the Monday before each issue, which features member updates on the 1st Wednesday, partnerships and initiatives on the 2nd, and resources on the 3rd.

## In Case You Missed It

Visit the **TEACH** website to find [videos and resources](#) for each of our series.

Visit the **Office of Continuing Professional Development (OCPD) website** for [more professional development series and resources](#).

## Learning with Laughter

**[Creating Joy at Work Through Laughter and Humor](#)**

Laughter and humor can bring more joy to the workplace, boost connection, and help teams cope with stress. In medical education, humor isn't just a nice extra, it helps create a more supportive and human learning environment, eases the pressure on students and trainees, and builds stronger relationships between teachers

and learners. In a past Harvard #MedEdPearl, the author discusses how even small moments of humor can go a long way in improving well-being and making the clinical learning space more engaging and resilient.



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