

Sam Houston State University
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Welcome to TLC24



This is the 21st Annual SHSU Teaching & Learning Conference, and we're excited to have you join us!

This conference provides an opportunity to carve out some time to focus on innovative and high-impact teaching practices right before the fall semester begins. We'll hear from colleagues on a wide range of topics, including AI, peer instruction, gamification, experiential learning, and much more.

We'll also hear from our esteemed keynote speaker, Dr. Josh Eyler, from the University of Mississippi, whose forthcoming book makes the case that grades harm students. I hope you're as excited about the program as I am!

This year's conference has a slightly different format than in years past. Each presentation will occur twice, once in the morning and again in the afternoon. Hopefully, this will allow you to attend all the sessions you're hoping to. But if you have to miss a session, I'm sure the presenter(s) wouldn't mind if you reached out to them to talk about it at a later date. Part of what makes this conference so special is how it showcases the incredible community of teacher-scholars here at Sam. If this is your first time, welcome to the club!

Ben Mitchell-Yellin, PhD
Director of the SHSU Teaching and Learning Center

Schedule

8:30 am	Check-In
	Coffee & Light Breakfast
9:30 am	Welcome & Introduction
	LSC Orange Ballroom
10:00 am	Session 1A
11:00 am	Session 1B
11:50 pm	Lunch
	LSC Orange Ballroom
12:30 pm	Keynote
	Dr. Josh Eyler
	Session 2A
3:00 pm	Session 2B
4:00 pm	Closing Remarks
	Dr. Josh Eyler
	LSC Orange Ballroom

The Teaching & Learning Center

The Teaching and Learning Center creates and disseminates innovative educational initiatives for instructors across all levels at Sam Houston State University. We support interdisciplinary collaborations to further the scholarship of teaching and learning. Collectively these efforts work to elevate the university's legacy of teaching excellence while energizing instructors to invigorate student success.



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Programs

Faculty
Development

- Engaging Exploration
- Mini Engaging-Exploration
- ACUE Course
- Engaged Learning Fellowship
- Course Re-Design
- Engaging Classroom Observation

Faculty Grants

Faculty Support

- Odyssey Grant
- Teaching Innovation Grant

Engaging Podcast
 Engaging Spaces (

- Engaging Spaces Classrooms
- Engagement Gear
- Teaching & Learning Center Library

Coming Soon

- Teaching Squares
- Faculty Learning Communities

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Keynote

Dr. Josh Eyler



Josh Eyler is Director of the Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning and Director of the ThinkForward QEP at the University of Mississippi, where he is also faculty in the Department of Teacher Education. He previously worked on teaching and learning initiatives at Columbus State University, George Mason University, and Rice University. His research interests include the biological basis of learning, evidence-based pedagogy, and disability studies.

His book *How Humans Learn* is available to check out from the TLC library. His forthcoming book, *Failing Our Future: How Grades Harm Students, and What We Can Do about It* is about grading and alternative assessment and is written for a wide-ranging audience that includes parents, educators, policymakers, students, and anyone else who is interested in education and reform.

Josh is a frequent speaker at colleges and universities across the country on topics such as the science of learning and compassion in education, and he often consults with centers for teaching and learning on a range of issues related to programming and research. You can contact Josh at jreyler@olemiss.edu or at @joshua_r_eyler on X (formerly Twitter).

Session Presenters

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