Teaching Scholars Faculty Development Program

The Teaching Scholars Program is a faculty development program administered by the UAMS Office of Educational Development. The Program began in 1996 as a joint project of Educational Development and the Office of Faculty Affairs in the College of Medicine. It was originally funded by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education and was continued through June of 1999 with UAMS educational development funds. In July of 1999, funding for the Teaching Scholars Program was incorporated in the operating budgets of the two units directing the program, and in 2003 Educational Development assumed complete administration of the Program.

Program Goals and Objectives:

The Teaching Scholars program provides faculty development activities designed to enrich the educational programs of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. Objectives of the program are to:

Enhance the teaching and educational research skills of faculty by providing workshops on topics such as: principles of teaching and learning, assessment, curriculum, instructional development, and educational research.

Produce a group of teaching scholars who will mentor and educate other faculty in the methods of educational excellence, seek funding for educational research, and disseminate their scholarly work on education through presentations and publications.

Program Description/Target Audience: Any UAMS faculty member from any college is eligible to participate in the program, provided their supervisor or chair approves their participation. There is no fee for the program, but there is an application and selection process. For more information, visit the website: www.uams.edu/oed/teachingscholars

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Applications for the program are available during the summer of each year, on the Teaching Scholars Web site: http://www.uams.edu/teachingscholars/

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