# COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

**Department of Public Health, Health Administration, and Health Sciences**

| FACULTY NAME | DEGREE | GRANTING UNIVERSITY | GRADUATE FACULTY LEVEL | SEMESTER OF CERTIFICATION | SEMESTER OF EXPIRATION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Brown, Charles | Ph.D. | Middle Tennessee State | Full Faculty | Fall 2023 | Fall 2028 |
| Brown, Elizabeth | Ph.D. | University of Tennessee, Knoxville | Full Faculty | Fall 2022 | Fall 2027 |
| Heaston, Alexis | Ed.D. | Tennessee State University | Associate Level-1 | Spring 2026 | Spring 2031 |
| Inman, Wendelyn | Ph.D. | Vanderbilt University | Full Faculty | Fall 2021 | Fall 2026 |
| Gishe, Jemal | Ph.D. | University of South Florida | Full Faculty (Recertify) | Summer 2024 | Summer 2029 |
| Johnson, Owen | Ph.D. | University of Kentucky | Full Faculty | Spring 2022 | Spring 2027 |
| Kanu, Mohamed | Ph.D. | Saint Louis University | Full Faculty | Spring 2023 | Spring 2028 |
| Kapatamoyo, Kombe | Ph.D. | Southern Illinois University Carbondale | Associate Level-1 | Spring 2023 | Spring 2028 |
| Mugilan, Kalai | Ph.D. | University of Alabama | Associate Level-1 | Fall 2024 | Fall 2027 |

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| Obiakor, Gina | Ph.D. | Loma Linda University | Adjunct (T) | Spring 2026 | Spring 2027 |
| Pleban, Francis | Ph.D. | Southern Illinois University Carbondale | Full Faculty | Fall 2022 | Fall 2027 |
| Sanjoy, Saha | Ph.D. | Texas Tech University | Full Faculty | Fall 2024 | Fall 2029 |
| Sanford-Terry, Miranda | Ph.D. | University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign | Full Faculty | Spring 2026 | Spring 2031 |
| Warner, Tokesha | Ed.D. | Tennessee State University | Associate Level-1 | Spring 2026 | Spring 2031 |

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**Department of Human Performance Sports Science**

| FACULTY NAME | DEGREE | GRANTING UNIVERSITY | GRADUATE FACULTY LEVEL | SEMESTER OF CERTIFICATION | SEMESTER OF EXPIRATION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cochrum, Robbie | Ph.D. | Middle Tennessee State University | Full Faculty | Spring 2021 | Spring 2026 |
| Dickson, Poliala | Ph.D. | Middle Tennessee State University | Full Faculty | Spring 2026 | Spring 2031 |
| Heimdal, James | Ph.D. | University of Southern Mississippi | Full Faculty | Fall 2022 | Fall 2027 |

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| Johnson, William | Ph.D. | University of New Mexico | Full Faculty | Fall 2021 | Fall 2026 |
| Jones, Timothy | Ed.D. | Tennessee State University | Associate Level 2 | Spring 2026 | Spring 2029 |
| Mamo, Yosef | Ph.D. | Louisiana State University | Full Faculty | Fall 2022 | Fall 2027 |
| Martinez-Sepanski, Sarah | Ph.D. | Middle Tennessee State University | Full Faculty, Initial | Fall 2025 | Fall 2030 |

## COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

**School of Nursing**

| FACULTY NAME | DEGREE | GRANTING UNIVERSITY | GRADUATE FACULTY LEVEL | SEMESTER OF CERTIFICATION | SEMESTER OF EXPIRATION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alghwazi, Hamzah | Ph.D. | University of Maryland at Baltimore | Associate Level-1 | Spring 2026 | Spring 2029 |
| Bonds, Shaquita | DNP | East Tennessee State University | Associate Level-1 | Spring 2026 | Spring 2029 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter, Kennithia | DNP | University of Tennessee, Knoxville | Associate Level-1 | Summer 2022 | Summer 2027 |
| Harris, Courtney | DNP | Belmont University | Associate Level – 1 | Summer 2026 | Summer 2029 |
| Montgomery, Juandria | DNP | Georgetown University | Associate Level-1 | Fall 2023 | Fall 2026 |
| Nyange, Courtney | DNP | University of Minnesota | Full Faculty-Recertification | Fall 2023 | Fall 2028 |
| Otto, Brandi | DNP | Grand Canyon University | Associate Level-1 | Spring 2026 | Spring 2029 |
| Richardson, Treena | DNP | Post University | Associate Level- 1 | Spring 2026 | Spring 2029 |
| Thorne, Britney | DNP | Arkansas State University | Associate Level – 1 | Summer 2026 | Summer 2029 |
| Webb, Bridget | Ph.D. | West Virginia Univ | Associate Level- 1 | Spring 2025 | Spring 2028 |

## COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

**Department of Occupational Therapy**

| FACULTY NAME | DEGREE | GRANTING UNIVERSITY | GRADUATE FACULTY LEVEL | SEMESTER OF CERTIFICATION | SEMESTER OF EXPIRATION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Beard, Lauren | MOT | Tennessee State University | Full Faculty | Fall 2025 | Fall 2030 |

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| Bergner, Jamie | DOT | Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions | Full (initial) | Summer 2026 | Summer 2031 |
| Bennett, Guinevere | D.C. | Life University | Full Faculty (Recertify) | Summer 2024 | Summer 2029 |

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| Carpenter, Laura | PhD | Indiana Univ | Full (initial) | Summer 2024 | Summer 2029 |
| Eades, David | OTD | Rocky Mountain University | Associate 1 | Summer 2024 | Summer 2027 |
| Porter, Lisa | Ph.D. | Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions | Full Faculty | Fall 2021 | Fall 2026 |
| Walker, Kimberly | DOT | Belmont University | Associate Level- 1 | Spring 2024 | Spring 2027 |

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**Department of Physical Therapy**

| FACULTY NAME | DEGREE | GRANTING UNIVERSITY | GRADUATE FACULTY LEVEL | SEMESTER OF CERTIFICATION | SEMESTER OF EXPIRATION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bowman, Marsha | DPT | Northeastern University | Full Faculty-Recertification | Fall 2023 | Fall 2028 |
| Charles, Derek | DPT | Belmont University | Full Faculty | Spring 2026 | Spring 2031 |

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| Smith (Coker), Karen | DPT | University of Tennessee Health Science Center | Full Faculty-Recertification | Fall 2023 | Fall 2028 |
| Kankam, Kwaku | Ed.D. | Emory University | Full Faculty | Summer 2024 | Summer 2029 |
| King, Patricia M. | Ph.D. | University of Florida | Full Faculty | Spring 2022 | Spring 2027 |
| Morrissette, David | Ph.D. | Tennessee State University | Adjunct (T) | Fall 2026 | Fall 2027 |

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**Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology**

| FACULTY NAME | DEGREE | GRANTING UNIVERSITY | GRADUATE FACULTY LEVEL | SEMESTER OF CERTIFICATION | SEMESTER OF EXPIRATION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dargin, Troy Clifford | Ph.D. | University of Kansas | Full Faculty | Fall 2021 | Fall 2026 |
| Johnson-Arnold, Iris | Ph.D. | University of Memphis | Full Faculty | Spring 2023 | Spring 2028 |
| Jones, Janessa | Ph.D. | Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions | Associate-1 | Fall 2025 | Fall 2028 |

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| Naperala, Nancy | Ph.D. | Wayne State University | Full Faculty | Spring 2024 | Spring 2029 |

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| Smith, Tina | Ph.D. | niversity of Illinois - Champaign | Full Faculty | Fall 2025 | Fall 2030 |
| Watson, Danielle | Ph.D. | University of Cincinnati | Full Faculty | Fall 2025 | Fall 2030 |

**Membership Categories**

1. **Full Graduate Faculty**
   - Definition: Full membership is for newly hired full-time tenure track faculty with more than three (3) years of graduate education experience prior to joining TSU, as well as for tenure track TSU faculty with over three (3) years of graduate education experience. Membership must be renewed every 5 years.
2. **Associate Graduate Faculty Level II**
   - Definition: Associate Membership Level II is for faculty who have previously held Full Membership but no longer meet the criteria for re-certification.
3. **Associate Graduate Faculty Level I**
   - Definition: Associate Membership Level I is for newly hired tenure track faculty holding a terminal degree with fewer than three years of graduate teaching experience, hired into departments with graduate programs.
4. **Adjunct Graduate Faculty - Teaching**
   - Definition: Criteria apply to part-time adjunct or full-time temporary faculty members at TSU. Adjunct status must be renewed annually. Adjunct members may not direct theses or dissertations but may serve as committee members.
5. **Adjunct Graduate Faculty - Non-Teaching (External)**
   - Definition: External Graduate Faculty Membership is for individuals who can support master's or doctoral candidates in completing their research. Status must be renewed every 3 years.

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