

ENGAGED SCHOLARS & PRACTITIONER NETWORK August 2025

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UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

2025 TEXAS TECH ENGAGED SCHOLARSHIP SUMMIT

Registration for the 2025 Engaged Scholarship Summit is open! Join us on **Sept.16** for a full day of engagement from a keynote presentation to educational sessions, resource fair and more. To see the full agenda and register, visit the Summit webpage.

Date: Sept. 16

Time: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: Museum of Texas Tech University Sculpture Court

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REGISTER NOW FOR ESC 2025

The 2025 Engagement Scholarship Consortium Conference will take place **Oct. 8-9** in Roanoke, Virginia. This year's conference theme is "Bridging Resources to Build Stronger Communities." The 2025 ESC Conference will be a place for engaging conversations about the many ways that we work collectively to bridge the resources of our universities and communities, strengthening us all. Registration ends **Sept. 22**.

ESC 2025 will also feature pre-conference opportunities Oct. 6-7, including:

- Outreach and Engagement Practitioners Network Workshop
- Engagement Academy for University Leaders Workshop
- TRES (Transformational Relationship Evaluation Scale) Workshop and Train-the-Trainer session
- Remembering Well: Oral Histories as Methodology

Date: Oct. 8-9

Location: The Hotel Roanoke & Conference Center, Roanoke, Virginia

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SOUTHWEST REGIONAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CONSORTIUM

Join us in El Paso for the first-of-its-kind regional gathering focused on advancing institutional change through community engagement across Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs) and cultural/ community organizations is the Southwest.

This consortium will bring together faculty, staff, community partners, engagement directors and cultural leaders from Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Utah to co-develop innovative strategies for regional collaboration and community impact.

Participants will explore:

- Models for community-engaged scholarship and inter-institutional partnerships
- Translating faculty collaborations with university presses and museums into engaged scholarship.
- Regional microcredential initiatives and workforce pathways
- Shared frameworks for funding, governance and sustainability

Date: Jan. 12-13, 2026

Location: University of Texas at El Paso

Registration to come soon.

RESOURCES

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLANS: A TOOL FOR INSTITUTIONALIZING COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The University of Louisville worked with academic and administrative units to create standardized community engagement plans, tailored to each unit's strengths, to improve partnerships, outreach and engaged scholarship. These plans provide a roadmap for integrating and institutionalizing engagement across the university.

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TEXAS TECH OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT WEBSITE

The Office of Outreach & Engagement redesigned its website to reflect all the exciting initiatives and programs being developed to grow engagement and engaged scholarship at Texas Tech.

ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

CREATING REALITIES

The Office of Outreach & Engagement celebrates the incredibly innovative and impactful work by one of Texas Tech's award-winning engaged scholars, Mallory Prucha. Prucha is paving the way at Texas Tech for merging the arts, sciences, engagement and impact!

READ THE ARTICLE

AEC'S JASON HEADRICK'S CIVIC LEADERSHIP VISION EARNS NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

In recognition of his innovative work in leadership education and community engagement, Jason Headrick, assistant professor of leadership and community development at Texas Tech's Davis College, has been honored with two prestigious national awards from the Association of Leadership Educators.

SEE AWARD DETAILS

DEVELOPING INFRASTRUCTURE TO COLLECT INSTITUTIONAL ENGAGEMENT IMPACT DATA

On July 22, Outreach & Engagement hosted Henry Cunningham, assistant vice president of Engaged Scholarship at the University of Louisville, for a lecture on assessing the true impact of community-engaged work.

Cunningham's presentation, "Developing Infrastructure to Collect Institutional Engagement Impact Data" shared how he built university infrastructure to assess community engagement impact at University of Louisville. He engaged in an extended discussion of the future of engagement across higher education and planned ways to advance engagement here at Texas Tech.







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