

Sixteen faculty members named winners of 2020 Dean's Excellence Awards

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Sixteen outstanding faculty members have been named recipients of the 2020 Dean's Excellence Awards, an honor recognizing exceptional contributions made by School of Medicine faculty in teaching, research, service, mentorship, and diversity.

"I'm delighted to announce the winners of the 2020 Dean's Excellence Awards," said Selwyn M. Vickers, M.D., FACS, senior vice president for Medicine and dean of the School of Medicine. "The Dean's Excellence awards recognize and honor exceptional work done by our faculty across these important areas. Every individual who was selected has had an immense impact on the UAB campus and our greater community. While I am disappointed we will not be able to honor them at an in-person event this year, I want them to know that we are all extremely proud of their hard work and dedication."

Learn more about each of this year's winners by clicking their names below:

Teaching

[Silvio Litovsky, M.D.](#) | Senior Faculty

[Nancy Tofil, M.D., M.Ed.](#) | Senior Faculty

[Erin Contratto, M.D.](#) | Junior Faculty

[Starr Steinhilber, M.D., MPH](#) | Junior Faculty

Research

[Namasivayam Ambalavanan, M.D.](#) | Senior Faculty

[Frances Lund, Ph.D.](#) | Senior Faculty

[Matthew Alexander, Ph.D.](#) | Junior Faculty

Service

[Winn W. Chatham, M.D.](#) | Senior Faculty

[Isam-Eldin Eltoum, M.D.](#) | Senior Faculty

[Kellie Flood, M.D.](#) | Senior Faculty

[Brenessa Lindeman, M.D., MHEP](#) | Junior Faculty

[Chrystal Rutledge, M.D.](#) | Junior Faculty

Mentorship

[Smita Bhatia, M.D., MPH](#) | Senior Faculty

[Stefanie Krick, M.D., Ph.D.](#) | Junior Faculty

Diversity

[Farah Lubin, Ph.D.](#) | Senior Faculty

[Karla Williams, M.D.](#) | Junior Faculty