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April 8, 2024

TODAY'S Program

Dr. Nikki Delk

Journey of a Dancing Scientist



Dr. Nikki Delk is a tenured Associate Professor in Biological Sciences, an endowed Cecil H. and Ida Green Professor in Systems Biology Science, and the Assistant VP for Research Development in the Office of Research and Innovation at the University of Texas at Dallas (UT Dallas). Her research lab studies inflammation-induced cancer progression and treatment resistance and is supported by funding from UT Dallas, National Cancer Institute, and the American Cancer Society. Due to her impact in the field and scholarly activities, Dr. Delk was named on the 2020 Cell Press list of *1000 Inspiring Black Scientists in America* and inducted into the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society in 2022. After receiving her bachelors in math from Georgetown University, Dr. Delk was commissioned as an Air Force Officer where she served for 4 years before obtaining her doctorate in molecular biology from Rice University. She obtained a doctorate in order to pursue her childhood dream to be a cancer biologist in honor of her grandmother who passed from cancer. She was a postdoctoral fellow at MD Anderson Cancer Center and a postdoctoral and faculty fellow at Rice University before joining the faculty at UT Dallas in 2014. In addition to her love for science, Dr. Delk is passionate about mentoring and providing research training opportunities to high school, undergraduate, and graduate students. She is equally passionate about the creative and performing arts, finding joy, balance, and inspiration through dance, music, and painting. In 2021, Dr. Delk merged her passions to create Arts for Science to raise awareness of the Delk Lab cancer research program and to raise support for STEM mentoring and outreach through the arts.

Future Programs and Upcoming Events

- April 15 – David Bentz – The Secret Service
 - April 17th -Wednesday -UTD Research Innovation 2024 Series
 - QR code below to register.
 - April 19th – Friday -85th Anniversary Celebration Dinner
- April 22 – Mike Sills – Texas A&M Forestry Service

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★ President's Day (3rd Monday in February) ★ Memorial Day (last Monday in May)

★ Independence Day (July 4) ★ Labor Day (first Monday in September plus 9/11)

★ Veterans Day (November 11)

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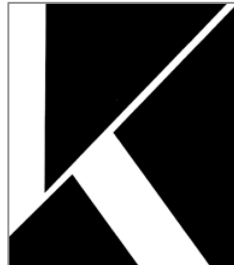
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