

# UK-CARES

## Faculty Fellows Program in Science Communication

### Request for Nominations

2023-2024

UK Center for Appalachian Research in Environmental Sciences ([UK-CARES](#)) is pleased to announce the opening of nominations for the fourth cohort of Faculty Fellows in Science Communication.

#### What Past Fellows Say about the Program:

*"It really helped me communicate science more effectively..."*

*"My public speaking confidence greatly improved..."*

#### Benefits of Participating in the Program:

- Improve your ability to communicate science to a variety of audiences including students, colleagues from different fields, the general public, policymakers, and the media.
- Enhance your research, teaching, and/or service opportunities for promotion and tenure and/or career advancement or professional development by gaining access to and networking with community partners in the Appalachian region and UK-CARES faculty.
- Network with UK-CARES faculty and community partners, leading to potential opportunities for funding through the [UK-CARES Pilot Program](#).

#### Program Details:

This free 7-session and coaching program is designed to provide faculty with skills training for communicating science to a broader audience, leading to an enhanced capability for outreach and success in research, teaching, and service. Faculty at both UK and at other Kentucky colleges, universities, vocational/trade schools or middle or high schools with interest in environmental health science and education in Appalachia are eligible to apply. Faculty from private and public schools are welcome to apply.

Beginning in September 2023, selected Fellows will be provided with a total of 7 free workshops (90 minutes each) held on-campus and virtually by nationally known trainers in science communication. These will include a total of two in-person and five virtual webinar skills training workshops (no more than one per month) conducted in real time by Dr. Beverly Delidow, Ph.D., Marshall University, over an 8-month period.

Participants will develop their own goals for the training and will be expected to attend all meetings and complete assignments for individual feedback. Individual coaching sessions are optional.

#### Nominations and Applications:

We invite you to nominate an interested faculty member from any UK unit or any other educational institution (university, community and technical college, or high school, public or private) serving the Big Sandy, Kentucky River, or Cumberland Valley area of southeastern Kentucky. Applicants with interest in environmental health science are preferred. Interested applicants may self-nominate or to ask a mentor or administrator to make the nomination. First round nominations are due no later than **June 2, 2023**, click [here](#).

Nominations will be reviewed and selected nominees will be notified by **June 16, 2023**. Selected nominees will then be invited to complete a full application due on or before **July 14, 2023**. Applicants will be asked to upload a 3-5 minute video describing their research, experience, or interest in science. Fellows selected for the fourth cohort will be notified on or before **July 21, 2023**. Please visit [UK-CARES Faculty Fellow in Science Communication](#) for more information. For questions, please contact Kelly Kennoy via email [kelly.kennoy@uky.edu](mailto:kelly.kennoy@uky.edu) or 859-323-4587.