



THE SOCIETY FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING IN HIGHER EDUCATION, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH D2L (DESIRE2LEARN) ANNOUNCE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2021 D2L INNOVATION AWARD IN TEACHING AND LEARNING

The Award recognizes post-secondary educators who are at the forefront of innovation

D2L and the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education are pleased to congratulate the following recipients of the 2021 D2L Innovation Award in Teaching and Learning:

- **Obidimma Ezezika**, Health & Society, University of Toronto
- **Mohammad Moshirpour**, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Calgary

The D2L Innovation Award in Teaching and Learning is sponsored by both D2L (Desire2Learn) and The Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE). Established in 2012, the award celebrates and recognizes up to five post-secondary educators each year for their innovative approaches that promote student-centered teaching and learning.

"In a time of immense societal and educational change, these inspiring educators serve as motivation for us as fellow colleagues both in our classrooms and our communities," said Denise Stockley, President of STLHE. "The recipients of the D2L Innovation Award continue to demonstrate unique teaching and innovative pedagogical practices in higher education."

"Congratulations to Obidimma Ezezika and Mohammad Moshirpour for their learner-centered and innovative approaches to postsecondary teaching," said John Baker, President and CEO of D2L. "At a time when our world desperately needs educators to help us adapt to a fast-changing world and overcome immense obstacles, they've stepped up to the task of improving teaching and learning in higher education."

The 2021 D2L Innovation Award in Teaching and Learning recipients are at the forefront of innovation both within their institutions and higher education more broadly.

Recipients of the award each receive a two-year membership for STLHE and up to \$2,200 towards registration and travel costs to attend the 2022 STLHE Annual Conference.

These incredible educators will be recognized as D2L Innovation Award recipients at this year's STLHE Unconference which will be hosted virtually from June 7-11, 2021.

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Additional information of the D2L Innovation Award in Teaching and Learning can be found at www.stlhe.ca/awards/d2l-innovation-award-in-teaching-and-learning/.

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