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Dear Faculty and Staff,

Academic  
Affairs division as, together, we work toward achieving the goals that fall within our four priority areas through 2025: 1) Academic Excellence, 2) Road to R1: Research and Scholarly/Creative Excellence, 3) 2016-2025 Strategic Plan, and 4) Inclusion

*Perkins School of Theology*

On Wednesday, I joined Pres meeting. My remarks included undergraduate and graduate enrollment outcomes for fall 2023,

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## Academic Excellence

### for Cold War Archives Research (CWAR) Fellowship

Graduate students Emma Armstrong and Rashida Shafiq have been selected for the prestigious [Cold War Archives Research \(CWAR\) Fellowship](#) for the 2023-2024 academic year. The fellowship is provided by the CWAR Institute at the Wilson Center in Washington, D.C. to train the next generation of cold war historians in archival research methods.

Congratulations, Emma and Rashida, on this significant accomplishment.

### Southern Demographic Association

Computing Institute welcomed 12 stu

Students engaged in a two-week data science boot camp, formed teams to tackle research projects,

the program have been invited to present their work at the [Southern Demographic Association](#) annual meeting in San Antonio, October 18-20, 2023.

Thank you to the faculty and staff who worked together to make this experience possible. Learn [faculty/staff members and how they supported this program here](#).

### SMU celebrates 75 years of pro bono legal clinics in Dallas

[Dedman School of Law celebrated the 75th anniversary of its law clinics](#) this past week with various

Liberties Union (ACLU) Deborah N. Archer. The law clinics provide legal services for those in our community who cannot afford a lawyer and provide law students with what is typically their first experience working with a client. Throughout this week, law students have been given hours of pro bono legal services under the supervision of their faculty supervisors.

Mary Spector, Associate Dean for Experiential Learning, and Jason P. Nance, Judge James Noel Dean of Dedman School of Law, have co-authored an [op-ed that was published in the Dallas Morning News](#)

student learning outcomes and provide care for our community.

## Road to R1: Research and Scholarly/Creative Excellence

**Reminder: Call for proposals University Research Council (URC) Travel and Research Grant**

## Proposals for the University Research

