



OFFICE OF THE DEAN

FROM THE DESK OF KIMBERLY JACOB ARRIOLA

Dear Laney Graduate School community,

I am delighted to announce the appointment of Kevin M. Bonney, PhD as the new Assistant Dean of Teaching Innovation at Laney Graduate School, effective July 1, 2025.

Bonney brings a deep and demonstrated commitment to learner-centered pedagogy, inclusive teaching, and faculty support. As Assistant Dean of Teaching Innovation, Bonney will lead efforts to foster dynamic, evidence-based teaching primarily in the Graduate Division of Biological and Biomedical Sciences (GDBBS). In his new role, he will collaborate closely with the LGS Academic Affairs team, the GDBBS Director and other administrators, as well as faculty in GDBBS to support their ability to adopt innovative methods and technologies that align our teaching with best practices in graduate education.

Under his leadership, we look forward to enhancing our capacity to share what faculty are already doing well in the classroom while supporting the ability of graduate students to grow in their capacity as teachers.

In addition to his role as Assistant Dean of Teaching Innovation, Bonney will also serve as the Senior Director, Programs, in the Office of the Dean of the School of Medicine and Coordinator of Evaluation and Program Assessment for Education and Training at Winship Cancer Institute.

Bonney joins us from New York University, where he served as Assistant Dean of Faculty Development and Program Advancement in the Liberal Studies division. He has led curriculum design, assessment reform, and inclusive faculty development programming, which will directly inform his work at Laney. A champion of active learning, he has advanced flipped classroom teaching models, which he describes as “transformational” for both faculty and students.

Bonney holds a PhD in Microbiology and Immunology from Northwestern University and has authored more than 30 peer-reviewed publications, along with numerous invited talks and workshops on teaching excellence and pedagogical innovation.

Please join me in welcoming Kevin Bonney to the Laney Graduate School community. We are thrilled to have him on board.

Warmly,

Kimberly Jacob Arriola
Dean, James T. Laney School of Graduate Studies
Vice Provost for Graduate Affairs

