

TAMS
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Spring 2026.1



McConnell Hall news and current student fun

**Aniruth Ananthanarayanan, Class of 2026
Regeneron Winner!**

<https://www.societyforscience.org/regeneron-sts/2026-scholars/>

1 of 300 nationally recognized research scholars.

Project Title: Cutting Too Deep: Tracking a Decade of Benign Lung Resections After the Rise of LDCT Cancer Screening



TAMS Medical Society, TMS, had their 'Stethoscope' launch party in Jan. The Stethoscope is a publication focusing on medicine and health issues. The articles are all written by current TAMSters and mentors. Desire a copy – email Russ.

Project Smile hosted a Winter Bash in January to raise money for Active Minds (see the following page). Active Minds focuses on mental health improvements. Plenty of snacks and games made for a lively night. Officers are shown here and the fun below.



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Project Smile hosted a winter bash on Jan. 30 to raise money for Active Minds. Donations can be made here: <https://support.activeminds.org/fundraiser/6891045>
Zelle: +1 (469) 353-0717.

Robotics is in full swing and would love \$\$ support as well. They are competing in FRC – 5212 TAMSformers. Contact Neil Gupta = neilgupta2@my.unt.edu to help that robot come to life.



Ibisa Ngo, 2027, and the TAMS Black Student Union are hosting an event for Black History Month on Feb. 27th, Friday in the Mac Café. Open to all that wish to show.

Walk out the front doors of McConnell and this is the current view of the new UNT research building. Check out the snow!
<https://research.unt.edu/unt-science-and-technology-building.html>



Academy Bliss



**Derek '05 & Hannah '06
(Marmen) Nelson**



**Angela (Guerra) and
Eric Bacus - 2002**



**Clint and Maren (Yngve)
Fuller - 2004**





Audrey '25, Carolyn, Shreyas '26, Jingrui, Larry, Matthew '27

*Russ on the road.
HMMT in Boston.*



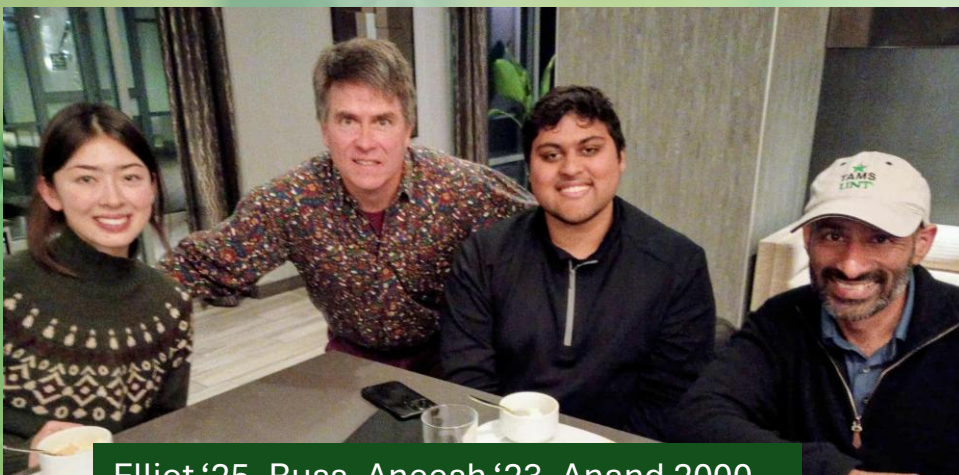
Jade '23 & Russ
John Harvard?



Dr. Mohammad Dar
'04 with Russ &
students



Dr. Bryan and Sara Robinson
TAMS 1994 – both MIT grads



Elliot '25, Russ, Aneesh '23, Anand 2000

Million \$\$ Mission update

Now 6 months in, TAMS has received a bit over \$85K from 65 donors. There are 2 goals = attaining 1000 donors and raising \$1M. Those donating a minimum of \$1K will be one of the **1000 points of light and receive a great gift**. Shooting for 30 donors from each class – 1990 – 2024. Giving the and 25s a break, for now. The math was simple, 1000 of you donating \$1K = \$1M, however any amount is welcome.

There have been **NO donors** from the 2009, 2012, 2013, 2014 – WHAT GIVES??? <https://one.unt.edu/giving/texas-academy-of-mathematics-science> Choose the TAMS Forever Fund.

The Class of '98 is in the lead with 5 donors while '01 & '03 are right behind with 4 donors from each. When you give, I can send you an easy way to digitally challenge your classmates to give. Let's get generous!!!!

Class Endowments

TAMS also has class endowments. The Class of '94 is very generous and a few are just getting started. The Class of '02 is in direct competition with the Class of '03. If you are unsure just reach out to Shan and Travis!!

Interested in starting an endowment – reach out to Russ and we can get started. Same site as above to see if your Class already has one in place: <https://one.unt.edu/giving/texas-academy-of-mathematics-science> Check the drop down.



Alumni spotlights



Saiful Khander, '95, organized a TAMS reception in N.Y. Fun to have TAMS chapters in major cities across the globe.



Nikita Traynin, class '18, is starting a new position as Site Reliability Engineer at Apple.

Chandana Chitralkha, TAMS '20 was recently named Timely Care's 'Passionate People' core values champion.



Lindsey Cameron and Gianna Driver, both '01 classmates connected recently. *(in Philly? maybe...Russ forgot to get clarification.)*

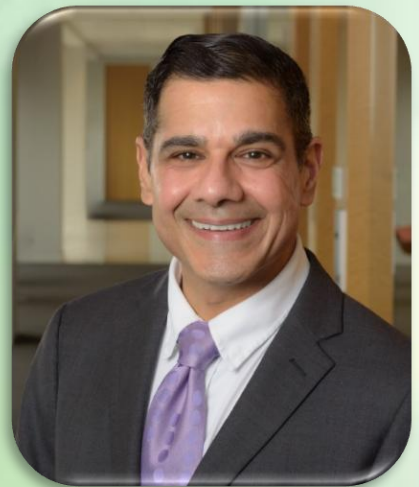
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Tisha Wang named chair of the Department of Medicine

Dr. Tisha Wang, TAMS '96, will become the seventh chair of the University of Washington Department of Medicine on June 1, 2026.



Shilpen Patel, TAMS '94, is stepping into the role of Head of Asset, Lung at AbbVie, while continuing his broader responsibilities as a Global Development Leader across additional oncology assets beyond lung.



Sadie Ostrowicki, TAMS '24, co-authored, "BRAFV600E Metastatic Synovial Sarcoma Treated with BRAF & MEK Inhibitors Achieves Complete Response," has been published in Oncology Research!. This allowed the team to use targeted drugs instead of standard chemotherapy. Full article here: <https://lnkd.in/gSBM5RZS>



**Do you remember your TAMS roommate? Still in touch?
Got a photo to share – send it to Russ**



Bert and Ernie
at Summer O.
and now



Alumni spotlights



David Yue, '19 and his business partner were featured in Forbes with their new AI software for accounting, Accordance. Forbes recognized David and Finsam as the top 30 under the age of 30 in A.I.

[This AI Startup Is Training The Next Generation Of Accountants](#)



When Yixiao Chen graduated from UT Southwestern medical school in 2012, they took a photo with all the TAMSters in his 2005 TAMS class. From left to right, we have Yixiao, Ankur Patel, Jason Woo, Rohan Chaubey (class of 04), Zach Zhang, Eric Han, and Ankit Garg.

Your magical TAMS roommate? Still in touch? Got a photo to share – send it to Russ – we can feature dynamic duos from the past!



Amber Lu &
Maxine Tao
Class 2016



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