

**TEACHING FAMILY SCIENCE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE****Hotel Ballast - Wilmington, NC****June 15 - 16, 2026****Day One**

8:00 AM - 8:45 AM	<b>Conference Registration - Cape Fear Hallway</b>
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	<b>Poster Presentation Set-up</b>
8:00 AM - 8:45 AM	<b>Continental Breakfast – Cape Fear Hallway Mix &amp; Mingle</b>
8:45 AM - 8:55 AM	<b>Welcome/Overview of the Day/Trivia Time</b> Teresa Brooks Taylor and Meeshay Williams-Wheeler, Conference Co-Chairs
9:00 AM - 9:20 AM	<b>Not Your Grandma’s Family Policy Class: Generative AI in Action</b> Jennifer Cantu
9:25 AM - 9:45 AM	<b>Supporting Students and Faculty in Drowning Out the Noise: Addressing Trolling and Misinformation in the Family Science Classroom</b> Nikki DiGregorio, Maureen Todd, Laura Evans, and Amanda Rich
9:50 AM - 10:10 AM	<b>Navigating Teaching about the Human Experience in the Current Social Landscape</b> Stephanie Baumann and Caroline Payne-Purvis
10:15 AM - 10:35 AM	<b>AI-Proofing Your Course!</b> Kevin Barlow
10:40 AM - 11:00AM	<b>When Teaching and Real Life Collide</b> Laura Hess Brown
11:05 AM - 11:25 AM	<b>Project STREAM: Strategic and Community-Engaged Teaching, Research, and Education Across Multimodal Podcast Use</b> Jin Yao Kwan
11:30 AM - 11:50 AM	<b>Teaching Entrepreneurship as a Core Competency in Family Science Education</b> Ahlshia Shipley
11:55 AM - 12:15 PM	<b>From Interest to Impact: Designing an Undergraduate Child Life Track</b> Jes Fyall Cardenas and Savannah Self
12:20 PM - 12:40 PM	<b>Coursework is Not Enough! A Comprehensive Field Experience Model to Prepare Child Development and Family Science Professionals</b> Valerie Jarvis McMillan, Jennifer Beasley, and Diane Martin
12:45 PM - 1:30 PM	<b>Boxed Lunch</b> <b>Cape Fear Hallway</b>
1:35 PM - 2:20 PM	<b><u>WORKSHOP</u>-- Mindfulness, Coping &amp; Resilience Building Practices: Supporting Student and Instructor Wellbeing on College Campuses</b> Laura Evans and Mamta Saxena

2:25 PM - 2:45 PM	<b>Community-Engaged Teaching Amidst Growth and Change: Reflections from Extension Educators &amp; Family Science Faculty</b> Nelly Nelson, Pamela Bradford, Cyndi Longley, and Jenee' Duncan
2:50 PM - 3:10 PM	<b>From Pre-Packaged to Purposeful: Translating Teaching Social Action for Family Science</b> Jessie L. Piper
3:15 PM - 3:35 PM	<b>Strengthening Professional Development for Youth Workers: Insights from Learners in an Online Graduate Course</b> Melissa J. Herzog and Ali Joy Luempert
3:40 PM- 4:00 PM	<b>Classroom to Career: Reimagining Pathways into the Home Visiting Workforce</b> Anne Plagge and William Henninger
4:05 PM - 4:25 PM	<b>Evaluating the Impact of the Stronger Families Project: A Multilevel Analysis of Family-Based Skill Building</b> Ethan Jones, Kaicee Postler, Rachel Arocho, and Julie Nelson
4:30 PM - 5:15 PM	<b>POSTER PRESENTATIONS</b>
POSTER #1	<b>Using Virtual Reality to Cultivate Environmental Awareness in Young Children: Innovation in Gardening Education</b> Karleah Harris, Oluwademilade Ogunbade, Simon Chambo, Charlene Harris, and Tamera L. Ford
POSTER #2	<b>Using Narratives and Lived Experiences to Teach Family Science Concepts in a Changing Higher Education Landscape</b> Meredith Jones
POSTER #3	<b>Reflections on an Online Research Methods Class Through a Neurodiversity Lens</b> Joanna Bissell-Havran
POSTER #4	<b>Reflecting on Gratitude: A Mixed-Methods Examination of Gratitude Practices in an Undergraduate Parenting Course</b> Angie Wong, Joel Wong, Kaitlyn Wong, Ella Novack, Edie Sandefur, and Lucy Gray
POSTER #5	<b>Impact of Interactive Scenario Based Learning Strategy on Perceived Student Engagement and Retention in Undergraduate Course</b> Jeremiah Schattie and Kevin Doll
POSTER #6	<b>Embedding Experiential Learning and Reflection in Instruction: Creating a Mindset where Assessments feels more like Opportunities than Obstacles</b> Jennifer Beasley and Jawan Burwell
POSTER #7	<b>Family Kinkeeping: An Often- Overlooked Family Process, as Viewed by Young Adults</b> Laura Hess Brown
POSTER #8	<b>Authentic Assessments: Using Public Health Databases in a Human Development Course</b> Ashlie Lester
POSTER #9	<b>Innovative, Student-Centered Pedagogy in Family Science: Integrating Choice, Creativity and Community Engagement</b> Hannah Mudrick
POSTER #10	<b>Theor-iously in Love: Speed-Dating Your Way Through Family Theories</b> Meghan Dove
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM	<b>DINNER CRUISE (The Henrietta) TFSC Group Picture</b>

