At the 2023 Unified Commencement Ceremony, four Tulane University faculty members will receive university-wide teaching awards: the Suzanne and Stephen Weiss Presidential Fellows Awards and the Tulane President’s Awards for Excellence in Professional and Graduate Teaching.

The Weiss Fellows for 2023 are D. Jelagat Cheruiyot, professor of practice in the Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology in the School of Science and Engineering and the Kylene and Brad Beers II Professor of Social Entrepreneurship in the Phyllis M. Taylor Center for Social Innovation and Design Thinking, and Allison Emmerson, associate professor in the Department of Classical Studies in the School of Liberal Arts.

The recipients of the President’s Awards for Excellence in Graduate and Professional Teaching for 2023 are Katherine Andrinopoulos, associate professor in the Department of International Health and Sustainable Development and director of doctoral programs in the School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, and Kris Lane, France Vinton Scholes Chair of Colonial Latin American History and William Arceneaux Professorship (I-III) in Latin American History in the Department of History in the School of Liberal Arts.
D. Jelagat Cheruiyot is a professor of practice in the Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology and the Kylene and Brad Beers II Professor of Social Entrepreneurship in the Phyllis M. Taylor Center for Social Innovation and Design Thinking. A former student of Dr. Cheruiyot said, “To say that Dr. Cheruiyot has changed my life would be an understatement.” (Photo by Rusty Costanza)
Allison Emmerson is an associate professor in the Department of Classical Studies. A student of hers wrote, “She challenged us daily and encouraged us to grow. It was an honor to be her student.” (Photo by Rusty Costanza)
Katherine Andrinopoulos is an associate professor in the Department of International Health and Sustainable Development and Director of Doctoral Programs in the School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. A former graduate student wrote, “I’ve always told everyone who would listen that Katherine was and is the best mentor I always dreamed of having.” (Photo by Rusty Costanza)
Kris Lane is the France Vinton Scholes Chair of Colonial Latin American History in the Department of History. A former student said, “As a first-generation scholar I can say that Prof. Lane’s support helped me gain the confidence necessary to understand not only that my work matters, but also that my voice is important and necessary.” (Photo by Rusty Costanza)