

**Beauvais Lyons, Chancellor's Professor, UTK School of Art  
Candidate to Serve on the Education, Research and Service Committee of the UT Board of Trustees**

*I am seeking an opportunity to serve as the faculty representative on the Education, Research, and Service Committee of the UT Board of Trustees for the 2022-2023 term. Faculty representation on this committee rotates between the various campuses within the UT system. This committee is charged with "overseeing the University's educational mission of teaching, research, and service, including matters related to academic programs, the faculty, student success and student conduct, research, service and outreach..." As someone who has served twice as UTK Faculty Senate President (2003-2004, 2017-2018) as well as representing our campus for several years on the UT Faculty Council, I have a broad understanding of our programs and academic resources. I also have a strong working relationship with Vice-President for Academic Affairs and Student Success Linda Martin, who is the primary system-level contact for this committee. In the past I have worked with other UT System administrators through the UTK Faculty Senate System Relations Committee, and my experience working with the UTK Faculty Handbook has provided me with first-hand experience on issues related to faculty evaluation and promotion, as well as the importance of tenure protections for our research, teaching and institutional reputation. Bringing these experiences to the position, I believe I can represent faculty across the UT system effectively, recognizing the different ways our university serves the interests of all Tennesseans.*

**BIOGRAPHY:** Beauvais Lyons is a Chancellor's Professor at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville where he has taught printmaking in the School of Art since 1985. Under his leadership the UT Printmaking MFA program is currently ranked #3 nationally among public universities. Lyons received his MFA degree from Arizona State University in 1983 and his BFA degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1980. He has presented one-person exhibitions at over 80 galleries and museums across the United States and his prints are in numerous public collections including the Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, DC; The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY; and the Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA. He received the Chancellor's Teaching Award in 2020, the SECAC Teaching Excellence Award in 2017, the Santo Artist Award in 2014, and was a Fulbright Lecturer in Poland in the fall of 2002. Lyons is completing his term this year as the faculty representative to the UTK Advisory Board; has twice served as UTK-UTIA Faculty Senate President (2003-2004, 2017-2018); and has chaired several Faculty Senate Committees, including Budget and Planning, Faculty Affairs, and UT System Relations. He participated in the SEC Academic Leadership Program (2016-2017) and in 2011 worked with the Office of the Provost to initiate the MicNite (PechaKucha) Program which he ran for four years as part of the Vol Vision strategic plan. He is a member of AAUP and the UCW. His wife Diane Fox is a Distinguished Lecturer Emerita from the College of Architecture and Design and their son is a UTK and Tulane University graduate.