



**Dr. Charles Boehmer**  
**Associate Dean for Faculty**

Dr. Charles Boehmer, Kruszewski Family Professor in Political Science and a recipient of the University of Texas Regents' Outstanding Teaching Award (2013) brings to the position of Associate Dean for Faculty his previous experience as Chair of the Department of Political Science and Public Administration (2014-2021), as well as the Director of Graduate Studies. He also served as Chair of Graduate Council and the Graduate Assembly (2012-2014), along with the Faculty Senate Executive Council and the UT Faculty Advisory Council. He currently serves as Treasurer for the UTEP Academy of Distinguished Teachers.

Dr. Boehmer brings to this leadership position his commitment "to be a faculty advocate who promotes and fosters faculty success." As Associate Dean for Faculty, Dr. Boehmer will be responsible for managing the promotion and tenure cases at the College, for planning workshops for faculty success, for evaluating proposals for faculty development leave (FDL), for coordinating the revision of departmental by-laws to align with new workload guidelines, and other faculty affairs throughout the college of Liberal Arts.

At the Dean's office, we are excited that Dr. Boehmer is joining our team at LART 343, and we are grateful for his enthusiastic engagement with the goals of the college of Liberal Arts.



**Dr. Selfa Chew-Melendez**  
**Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies**

Dr. Selfa Chew-Melendez will serve as the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies. Dr. Chew is well known across the college for her commitment to undergraduate students and for her unparalleled energy while bringing new ideas to enhance and diversify curricular trends in Liberal Arts. She is also a versatile educator, scholar, and artist, moving at ease between different fields of study and creativity.

Dr. Chew teaches History and African American Studies. Dr. Michael Williams shares this portrait of our new Associate Dean: "Dr. Selfa Chew is one of those rare individuals who sincerely believe that there is no separation between one's personal and professional lives; she is totally devoted to serving the needs of our undergraduate students and enriching their undergraduate studies experiences not only in our College but across the campus. She continuously looks for ways to improve the undergraduate curriculum, stays up to date on the newest developments and ideas in undergraduate studies, and works hard to develop overall positive experiences for our students at the undergraduate level. She understands that undergraduate studies is not confined to the classroom alone but must incorporate the communities our students come from and their life experiences (positives and negatives) and to build from there. Thus, Dr. Chew takes a holistic approach to undergraduate studies and teaching that not only seeks to educate our students, but to ensure that they understand both the power and responsibilities they have to cultivate, grow and take ownership of their own undergraduate education. I sincerely believe these to be the qualities that make for an excellent, effective and engaging Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies."