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Action Plan, such as posting all approved department-level [workload documents](#), I reviewed data on the approved faculty searches by college/school, discussed the representation of underrepresented faculty on academic search committees, and committed to sharing a demographic breakdown of the racial diversity of finalists for each faculty position.</sup>

Research and Scholarly/Creative Excellence

SMU launches new supercomputing research system with NVIDIA
Last week, SMU [announced](#)

- o Timeline overview for Dean of the Moody School of Graduate and Advanced Studies and Associate Provost for Graduate Education
The search committee, working in consultation with Isaacson, Miller Executive Search, is currently finalizing a position profile. We anticipate completion within the next 2-3 weeks and will share once available.

News and Noteworthy:

- SMU professor appointed Chair of TexNet Technical Advisory Committee
Governor Greg Abbott has named prominent SMU seismologist Brian Stump, Albritton Professor of Earth Sciences in Dedman School of Earth Sciences, as the first chair of the [TexNet Technical Advisory Committee](#), which is charged with providing oversight and advice on the operation of the Texas wide seismic network, TexNet.
- SMU paleontologists analyze giant bottom-dwelling fish fossils in Northeast Texas
SMU paleontologists, Michael Polcyn, Research Associate and Director of the Digital Earth Sciences Laboratory, and Dale Winkler, Research Director and Director of the Shuler Museum of Paleontology, have helped in the analysis of fossils from an ancient fish, called a mawsoniid coelacanth, found in Texas. Isolated bones from this fish were found in the Cenomanian Woodbine Formation in northeast Texas. Collector and Texan Bradley Carter, who made the discovery, donated the bones to SMU's Shuler Museum of Paleontology for examination.
- Former library intern named a Class of 2022 American Library Association (ALA) Emerging Leader
Congratulations to Ramón Garcia, a SMU Libraries intern from 2019-2021, on his selection as a Class of 2022 ALA Emerging Leader. This is a part of the ALA's development initiative that enables newer library workers from across the country to participate in problem-solving work groups, network with

