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## CONGRATULATIONS

## The Collaborative

is delighted to announce that John A. Williams III (TLAC's Multicultural Program Area), Shaun Hutchins (TLAC's Technology and Teacher Education Program Area), Andrew Kwok (TLAC's Technology and Teacher Education Program Area) and Erin Whiteside (EPSY's Special Education Program Area) have been awarded a School of Education and Human Development Catapult Grant.



The \$28,800 seed grant supports the creation of a culturally responsive classroom management course with a special education emphasis for general education teachers that will be field-tested in local school districts. Additionally, the grant will aid in funding a post-doctoral position, held by Megan Svajda-Hardy, who help to oversee content development and two undergraduate student workers.

The impact of the course will be studied, and Social Science Citation Index (SSCI) articles will be published. The research findings will be used to improve the quality of the course, which will then become part of the Collaborative's class inventory. The research produced via the Catapult Grant will concurrently form the theory of action for an NSF grant submission. Matching funds supplied by the Collaborative helped fuel this success story, which is likely to continue to unfurl. This is the first among many efforts that the Collaborative intends to support.