The Department of Economics is proud to announce that Professors Steve Wiggins and Jonathan Meer have been chosen as the recipients of the first ever “Dr. Dennis Berthold Innovations in Teaching Endowment Award.” This award honors the teaching excellence demonstrated by Dr. Berthold, an emeritus professor who introduced numerous creative instructional practices into his classroom during his forty-three years in the Department of English at Texas A&M University.

Their work in enhancing ECON 202 (Principles of Microeconomics) with cutting-edge technology into a more engaging and impactful experience embodies the College’s mission to provide its students with a myriad of transformative learning opportunities.

Dr. Meer and Dr. Wiggins designed the first fully online course taught in the Department of Economics, using cutting-edge techniques to improve student engagement and learning. They produced dozens of hours of videos and using lightboard technology, frequent assessments, and interactive exercises, they created an impactful course focusing on the intuition underlying the principles of microeconomics.

The two Economics Professors have the added distinction of being the first recipients to receive this award and they will be recognized for this achievement at the Dean’s Recognition Reception later this year.

Congratulations Steve and Jonathan on being named the winners of the 2017-18 Dr. Dennis Berthold Innovations in Teaching Endowment Award!

Steve Wiggins

Jonathan Meer