

2024

Davis College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Award Selection Committee

Dear Committee,

It is my pleasure to nominate Dr. Whitney Crossland for the Davis College Junior Faculty Award. Dr. Crossland is a current faculty member at TTU and has been in a tenure-track position at Texas Tech University for a minimum of four years, a maximum of seven years, and has not been promoted to Associate Professor. Dr. Crossland has clearly demonstrated excellence in innovative teaching, research, and creative activity, and interacts with students in numerous capacities outside of formal classroom teaching at Texas Tech University.

Dr. Crossland has demonstrated teaching excellence as evidenced by outstanding and above average student teaching evaluations teaching effectiveness, achievement of learning outcomes, and valuable learning experience. Dr. Crossland also demonstrated scholarship in teaching and learning as evidenced by a publication which assessed online and face-to-face modality effects on learning outcomes. Dr. Crossland has demonstrated proficiency in research, scholarship, and creative activity by publishing in high-ranking scientific journals within her discipline, as well as the presentation of her work (and her student's) at nationally recognized venues. Dr. Crossland has procured external funding to support her research program. Finally, Dr. Crossland served admirably as a faculty advisor to students and student organizations. Dr. Crossland advises undergraduate students, mentors undergraduate researchers, and serves as advisor for a student organization. She also serves as a faculty advisor for the Academic Quadrathlon team.

Please find attached the nominee's vita and summary of student teaching evaluation scores. Your consideration of Dr. Crossland for this award is greatly appreciated.

Regards,

Dr. J Chance Brooks, Chair

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