

## 2024

Davis College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Award Selection Committee

Dear Committee,

It is my pleasure to nominate Dr. Jerrad Legako for the Davis College (Graduate) Student Advising Award. Dr. Legako is a current faculty member at TTU and has demonstrated a strong commitment to student advising through graduate mentorship, career advising, and professional conduct.

Dr. Legako has a robust research program, which actively supports numerous graduate students in the Department. Dr. Legako's students are professional, excellent communicators, thoughtful, and well-equipped to enter industry and academia. Dr. Legako is very supportive of his students, often meeting weekly as a group and individually. Dr. Legako also served as the Graduate Coordinator for the department and often served as a liaison between graduate students and the faculty or Graduate School. Dr. Legako developed a graduate survey to assess the graduate program, which created opportunities for improvement. Through his leadership and conduct, the graduate program in Animal and Food Sciences improved.

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

Regards,

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