

The Paul Whitfield Horn Distinguished Professors at Texas Tech University are proud to announce two recipients of the 2021 Horn Professors Graduate Research Award. Both prizewinners already have engaged in significant research in their respective disciplines, and are notable examples of the excellent scholars being cultivated at Texas Tech. We are excited to recognize their outstanding work.

Iroro TANSI, from the Department of Biological Sciences, was nominated by Dr. Tigga Kingston. Her international award-winning research focuses on tropical bat research and conservation, with focus on Nigeria and Cameroon. She is an emerging leader in African biodiversity conservation and has secured her own research funding. She published several original papers in scholarly journals as well as a book chapter. Iroro has presented her work at multiple international conferences and has won the Woman in Conservation award (2017), the Karl Koopman Award (2019), and the Future For Nature Award (2020). The stellar external letters of recommendations from the UK and Nigeria confirm her standing as an international scholar.

Faith SCANLON, is pursuing her PhD in Counseling Psychology in the Department of Psychological Sciences). She was nominated by Dr. Robert Morgan. Faith is involved in state-of-the-art counseling research and delivers professional services to individuals in the justice system, including those with mental illness and substance abuse issues. She has ten publications, many in the top research journals in her field, a book chapter (in print, Oxford University Press), and eight manuscripts in preparation, most as first author. She has given numerous presentations at national and international conferences and is actively pursuing federal funding for her research.