

May 28, 2021

Dear Colleagues,

Earlier this month, President Robbins sent a video to more than 1,100 faculty and staff, congratulating them on reaching milestones in their service to the University of Arizona. President Robbins said that it's the people who make up this university that make it great. I concur.

I'm celebrating a milestone myself, as it's now been 10 years since I arrived during the summer of 2011.

Congratulations to all who are being honored with a 2021 Service Award. And a very big THANK YOU to everyone in the Division of Agriculture, Life and Veterinary Sciences, and Cooperative Extension for working together to make an incredibly strenuous academic year such a success. For most of us, nothing stops with graduation. We continue to move ahead with program delivery throughout the summer. I know the reentry transition we are navigating right now can be challenging in its own ways, particularly for those of you working in the counties.

Please join me in congratulating our colleagues across the state who are being honored this year for many years of service to the university and to the State of Arizona.

Forty-five Years

Alma Rosa Enciso, Research Administration

Debra Pearson, V Bar V Ranch

Forty Years

Kevin Fitzsimmons, International Initiatives

Charles Gerba, Environmental Science

Georgina Lambert, Plant Sciences

Thirty-five Years

D. Phillip Guertin, Natural Resources and the Environment

Humberto Hernandez, Yuma Agricultural Center

Mitch McClaran, Arizona Experiment Station

Jose Montante, Entomology

Bruce Russell, Environmental Science

Gary Thompson, Agricultural and Resource Economics

Thirty Years

Satheesh Aradhyula, Agricultural and Resource Economics

Gregory Bradley, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences

Mary Conner, Maricopa County Cooperative Extension
Tiburcio Contreras, Maricopa Agricultural Center
Nancy Driscoll, Nutritional Sciences
Peter Ellsworth, Entomology
Randy Gimblett, Natural Resources and the Environment
Mariano Hernandez Narvaez, Natural Resources and the Environment
Raina Maier, Environmental Science
Marc Orbach, Plant Sciences
Charles Sanchez, Environmental Science
Karen Schumaker, Plant Sciences
Craig Wissler, Natural Resources and the Environment
Zhongguo Xiong, Plant Sciences

Twenty-five Years

Arturo Baez, Campus Agricultural Center
Suzanne Ernstein, Maricopa Agricultural Center
Molly Hunter, Entomology
Raul Islas, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Mary Marian, Nutritional Sciences
Donato Romagnolo, Nutritional Sciences
Paul Schofield, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Ornella Selmin, Nutritional Sciences
Robert Steidl, Natural Resources and the Environment
Bruce Tabashnik, Entomology

Twenty Years

Mary Kay Amistadi, Environmental Science
Traci Armstrong Florian, Maricopa County Cooperative Extension
Keith Cannon, V Bar V Ranch
Jonathan Chorover, Environmental Science
Joanie Contreras, Pima County Cooperative Extension
Benjamin Degain, Entomology
Jennifer Gardner Smith, Extension Administration
Matthew Goode, Natural Resources and the Environment
Melanie Hingle, Nutritional Sciences
Kathleen Landeen, Environmental Science
Tilak Mahato, Biosystems Engineering
Marilyn Marron, Plant Sciences
Matthew Mars, Agricultural Education, Technology and Innovation
Elaine Mattes, Office of the Vice President and Dean
Denise Moreno Ramirez, Environmental Science
Amy Parrott, Yuma County Cooperative Extension
Tasha Pontifex, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Barry Pryor, Plant Sciences
James Roebuck, Nutritional Sciences
Javier Ruiz, Entomology
Lynda Silvain, Division Business Services
Elizabeth Sparks, Pima County Cooperative Extension

Patricia Sparks, Nutritional Sciences
Patricia Stock, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Jayashankar Subramani, Maricopa Agricultural Center
Akrum Tamimi, Biosystems Engineering
Valerie Teetor, Plant Sciences
Rod Wing, Plant Sciences
Ramin Yadegari, Plant Sciences

Fifteen Years

Neal Barto, Biosystems Engineering
Andrea Bushong, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Theresa Crimmins, Natural Resources and the Environment
Melissa Curran, Family and Consumer Sciences
William Davidson, Campus Agricultural Center
Maria Estrella Sanchez, Environmental Science
Cody Jackson, Maricopa Agricultural Center
Clinton Jones, Maricopa Agricultural Center
Seunghee Lee, Plant Sciences
Vinson Lee, Nutritional Sciences
Shelley McMahon, Plant Sciences
Heather Ottenbacher, Nutritional Sciences
Ravishankar Palanivelu, Plant Sciences
Sadhana Ravishankar, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Partha Samadder, Nutritional Sciences
Marcel Schaap, Environmental Science
Thomas Schmidt, Campus Agricultural Center

Ten Years

Cynthia Aspengren, Cochise County Cooperative Extension
David Baltrus, Plant Sciences
Margine Bawden, Apache County Cooperative Extension
Mark Beilstein, Plant Sciences
Leslie Bonilla, Environmental Science
Rose Brandt, ALVSCE External Communications
James Buizer, Natural Resources and the Environment
Vanessa Buzzard, Natural Resources and the Environment
Esmeralda Castillo, Pinal County Cooperative Extension
Karletta Chief, Environmental Science
Paul Cluff, Maricopa Agricultural Center
Margarethe Cooper, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Scott Cowell, Environmental Science
Ryan Cresawn, Communications and Cyber Technologies
Rachel Crookston, Research Administration
Geacomo Danese Soto, Campus Agricultural Center
Wayne Dixon, Entomology
Diaa Elshikha, Biosystems Engineering
Lawrence Fisher, Natural Resources and the Environment
Connie Forsyth, Cochise County Cooperative Extension

Rachel Gallery, Natural Resources and the Environment
Teresa Joy, Entomology
Lori Knight, Graham County Cooperative Extension
Theresa LeGros, Nutritional Sciences
Aaron Lien, Natural Resources and the Environment
Luciano Matzkin, Entomology
Tod McCauley, Tech Transfer Arizona/Research Administration
Jean McLain, CALS Faculty Advancement
David Moore, Natural Resources and the Environment
Ayman Mostafa, Maricopa County Cooperative Extension
Joaquin-Jude Murphy, Nutritional Sciences
Candy Ramos, Pinal County Cooperative Extension
Rokelle Reeve, Mohave County Cooperative Extension
Benjamin Renquist, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Ashley Stewart, Natural Resources and the Environment
Rosaura Stewart, Santa Cruz County Cooperative Extension
Jennifer Teske, Nutritional Sciences
Jana U'Ren, Biosystems Engineering
Huruy Zerzghi, Environmental Science

Best regards,



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