

MEMORANDUM

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Janice Indrutz
Corporate Secretary

TO: Jay Akridge
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Diversity

FROM: Karen Plaut *Karen Plaut*
Glenn W. Sample Dean of Agriculture

DATE: October 25, 2021

SUBJECT: 150th Anniversary Professor

I am pleased to recommend Dr. Haley Oliver, for the 150th Anniversary Professor in the College of Agriculture

Dr. Haley Oliver is an outstanding teacher who has modernized and redesigned the courses in Food Science related to food safety to improve the student experience. Her primary course, Food Microbiology, impacts all students in the department and has a major impact on the health and welfare of the nation. From 2011-2018, Dr. Oliver won 13 awards including the Kohls Outstanding Teaching Award, Charles B. Murphy Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award, Corinne Alexander Spirit of the Land-Grant Mission Award and the USDA/APLU Justin Morrill Award, and she is a Purdue Teaching Academy Member. She also received over \$280,000 for course redesign and redevelopment in the broad area of Food Safety.

In addition to formal teaching, Dr. Oliver is an excellent advisor and advocate for students giving them opportunities as a teaching assistant, taking them to the Institute for Food Technologists meetings, and conducting study abroad. She has had 39 undergraduates work in her lab and has even acted as a co-advisor for the Grand Prix Foundation!

Not only is Dr. Oliver an outstanding teacher and mentor, she is also a superb researcher with approximately \$11M in research awards for her program. Her efforts in Food Science have touched many people around the globe through her efforts in training Afghans to teach Food Safety and through the first of its kind Food Safety Innovation Lab funded by USAID.

A consistent theme throughout all aspects of Dr. Oliver’s work is her ability to teach and engage students. Attached you will find Dr. Haley Oliver’s recommendation letter from Dr. Christine Wilson on behalf of the 150th anniversary review committee, full CV, support letters and abbreviated CV. I hope that you will agree that Dr. Oliver is worthy of this distinction and that you will in turn recommend her to the Board of Trustees for the 150th Anniversary Professor in the College of Agriculture.

Jay Akridge
Jay T. Akridge, Executive Vice President for
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