



Sam Houston State University

Office of the Provost

Dear Academic Affairs faculty and staff,

There is no better way to start the semester than by celebrating those faculty we recognize for their outstanding achievements at SHSU. Each of these individuals has demonstrated remarkable dedication in their respective areas of research, teaching, and service, and President White and I look forward to honoring them at both the Academic Awards Dinner and the President's Annual Faculty and Staff Meeting next week.

Texas State University System Regents' Award

Congratulations to Pam Zelbst for her selection as a Regents' Professor by the Texas State University System. Dr. Zelbst, Distinguished Professor in the Department of Marketing, Management, and Information Systems and Director of the Center for Innovation, Technology, and Entrepreneurship in the College of Business Administration, was named an [SHSU Distinguished Professor](#) earlier this year. Those of you who are familiar with Dr. Zelbst's exemplary work know that this is very much deserved.

SHSU Distinguished Professors

I am pleased to share that Marcus Boccaccini, Professor, Department of Psychology & Philosophy, and Ronny Daigle, Professor, Department of Accounting, have been selected as [distinguished professors](#). This designation is an honor that both individuals have earned for their outstanding contributions to the university and their disciplines.

SHSU University-Level Awards

Finally, I would like to congratulate the following individuals who are recipients of university-level awards:

- [Excellence in Teaching](#): Tamara Cook, Professor, Department of Biological Sciences

- [Excellence in Scholarly and Creative Accomplishments](#): Jaime Anderson, Associate Professor, Department of Psychology & Philosophy
- [Excellence in Service](#): Maria Botero, Professor, Department of Psychology & Philosophy
- [David Payne Award for Community Engagement](#): Magdalena Denham, Professor of Practice, Department of Security Studies
- [Non-Tenure Track Teaching Excellence Award](#): Volha (Olga) Minich, Lecturer, Department of Biological Sciences
- [Conference USA Faculty Achievement Award](#): John Strait, Professor, Department of Environmental & Geosciences

Congratulations to all of our award winners. We celebrate both their academic excellence as well as their commitment to making a positive impact on our campus.

Sincerely,



Michael T. Stephenson

Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

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