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To: Oklahoma Higher Education History & Education Teachers/Professors Oklahoma

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From: Belinda Biscoe, President of Oklahoma Higher Education Heritage Society

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Subject: Dan Hobbs Prizes for Research in Oklahoma Higher Education

As President of the Oklahoma Higher Education Heritage Society, I would like to call your attention (and through you to your students) to a special opportunity. The Society has created the Dan Hobbs Prize, to be awarded to an undergraduate and/or graduate student for research done on any aspect of the history of Oklahoma higher education. The prize is named in honor of Dan S. Hobbs, a longtime and prominent figure in Oklahoma higher education, a distinguished historian of the system, and a founding member of the Oklahoma Higher Education Heritage Society. I stress the Society's wide-ranging interest in serious research scholarship or scholarly projects relating to any aspect of Oklahoma higher education, including institutional histories or aspects of those histories; about a particular faculty member or administrator; groups or types of institutions and their development or contributions; the higher education system's relationship to/or impact on social, political, cultural, or economic trends and circumstances; state, national, global, etc.

Entries should reflect recent production during the last three years. If presented as a traditional research paper, it should not exceed ten (10) double-spaced pages in length, including documentation. If entered as a project, an abstract narrative description of no more than two (2) pages will suffice for further consideration. Works will be judged based on the quality of research and the skill in conveying its findings. We expect evidence of the supervising instructor's clear oversight reflected in the scholarly priorities and format of the submission and the supervisor's endorsement that it is worthy of special recognition.

Those receiving the Hobbs Prize (undergraduate and/or graduate) will receive an award of \$500.00. Award recipients and their supervising instructors will be recognized at the Society's annual Hall of Fame Banquet in Oklahoma City. Entries should be submitted no later than September 12, 2023, to Dr. Donna Castle Richardson, OHEHS Executive Director, 19400 Stubblefield Lane, Edmond, OK 73012). They may also be submitted electronically by email to dricharson@ou.edu. Should you have any questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with Dr. Donna Castle Richardson by email at drichardson@ou.edu or call 405-570-6155.