

Subject: Nominee for University Athletic Committee

Dear Professor McKerrall,

I would like to recommend Blair Thomas from the Department of Political Science to serve as PCAL's Representative on the University Athletic Committee. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Best,

Terrance D. Brown, D.M.A. | Dean (he/him/his)

Subject: Re: Nominee for University Athletic Committee
Date: Thursday, March 27, 2025 at 12:43:44 PM Central Daylight Time
From: Thomas, Blair
To: Brown, Terrance, McKerral, Gordon
CC: Martin, Craig, Price, Merrall, Budziak, Jeffrey, Lasley, Scott

Dr. Brown,

This is a tremendous opportunity, and I welcome the chance to serve PCAL in this role. Thank you for your recommendation, I sincerely appreciate it.

Best Regards,
Blair

Go Tops!

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