

Inside Student Services

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Getting to Know...Jessica Brown



Job Title: Division Chair of Mathematics

When did you start working at Ranger College? Adjunct (part time): 2015, Full time: 2017, Division Chair: 2020/2021

The coolest place I have ever been: On a glacier in Alaska listening to chunks of ice break off with a loud thunder while sitting by a campfire with my family. Did I mention ON THE GLACIER!!! So crazy. We saw over 15 bears while in Alaska. It's such an amazing place.

Favorite place to eat in Texas? Mexican food all day, every day. Don Nico's in Stephenville and Taqueria El Rio y Mariscos in Dublin have my heart. Rosa's is always a win too.

Where can we find you on a Friday night? Date night with the hubby. We either stay home and play with the dogs or go out for Mexican food.

Favorite television show or movie: Any love story, mystery, or combination of both. I love Castle, Rookie, One Tree Hill, Downton Abbey, The Resident, Smallville, Arrow, Flash, WandaVision, all the Avenger movies, and every existing Christmas movie. One of my favorite movies is 17 Again. It makes me laugh every time.

Guilty pleasure: I could be content to almost never leave my home. Except maybe for a coffee date at Lingleville Country Store or Blackjack's in Dublin, to teach, and to go to church. I'm an outgoing introvert, so I crave my safe haven with a sprinkle of human interaction.

Favorite Ranger College Moment: Lance's personal testimony on the power of Zoom when he adopted his girls. I cried like a little baby at in-service that year. Also, the Christmas parties were always epic.

I really love Ranger College and the students I have the privilege to interact with. This is the first job I've felt fulfilled, happy, and passionate about. I am incredibly grateful to be part of the RC team.

Weekly Ranger Athletics Recap

The Lady Rangers basketball team entered the week red hot. The Lady Rangers were riding a 5-game winning streak which put coach Gabi Laurant's team over .500 for the first time this season. However, the streak came to a screeching halt on Monday with a conference loss to Weatherford College. The struggles did not end there as the Lady Rangers dropped another conference game at Hill College Wednesday. Hoping to end the week on a positive note, the ladies fought valiantly on Saturday afternoon in Ron Butler gymnasium. Unfortunately, the team dropped their third straight in double overtime to McLennan Community College 67-64.

Coach Larry Brown's Ranger basketball team opened the week with strong performance on MLK day with a conference win over Weatherford College. All 5 starters scored in double figures while allowing only one Weatherford starter that same feat. With little time to relish in Monday's victory, the Rangers would drop back-to-back games to Hill College on Wednesday and McLennan CC on Saturday.

ABC's for Teaching (Advanced, Brilliant, Creative) by Vice President of Instruction, Dayna Prochaska

This is a great article about facilitating online and in-person training simultaneously.

<https://www.insidehighered.com/advice/2020/08/26/strategies-teaching-online-and-person-simultaneously-opinion>

Kudos

This week's Kudos comes from a non-traditional student coming back to school after many years. Director of Counseling, Gabe Lewis, took extra care between registering students on Ranger campus to assist this student and bring her one step closer to achieving her dream.

Date: Thu, Jan 20, 2022 at 10:16 AM

Subject: Re: Registration for Pre-Nursing Student

To: Gabe Lewis <glewis@rangercollege.edu>

Thank you for everything, Gabe!!

This is a dream I've had my whole life and now at 44, I'm able to complete it.

Thank you again,

Shiree 🤗👏👏

Welcome Back Spring Ranger College

This week Ranger College welcomed back our students for the Spring 2022 semester. While the students were greeted with new class syllabi, Blackboard notifications, and beginning of the semester icebreakers. They were also received with cold Texas Winter temperatures. Luckily, some of those students who got to class early and knew their professor's name were given some warm Ranger College beanies to keep their ears and brains warm from the office of Student Services.



More Than Just Books by Golemon Library Assistant, Mrs. Helen Cozart

Welcome to 2022 and a new semester! We are back to regular hours and are so excited to be here and to share our tools with you. I have had a couple of conversations lately about accuracy in statistics and research for students and wanted to share a site that could be of value across many disciplines. [Our World in Data](#) collects and presents information about world issues with a goal of developing enough information to make progress against the world's largest problems. It is a great way to introduce your students to important topics and accurate research. Maybe they will even encounter something that moves them to a profession. Each topic is presented with an overview and an assortment of graphics so the information can be understood from different perspectives. They even have a site with [ideas on using their data in teaching](#). Pick a topic and explore one today to see the possibilities. [Our World in Data](#) is accessible through our [A-Z list](#) and through any web browser.

Our current theme is Leadership. Come explore a collection of books and tools to help students develop their plan for their future.

Don't miss our Pop into the Library open house. We will be offering popcorn Wednesday from 1 to 3.



Motivational Quote of the Week

**KINDNESS, LOVE AND
APPRECIATION ARE THE
GREATEST GIFTS. SO GIVE
THESE GIFTS GENEROUSLY
AND WATCH THEM RETURN
TO YOU IN GLEAMING
ABUNDANCE.**

Louise Hay

