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Dear Blaise,

Your peers recently nominated you for 2019-2020 Letters & Science Early Career Award. Your nomination shows the high regard that your colleagues have for you. The materials submitted by your nominators was extremely impressive, however the competition for this award was overwhelming, and difficult choices had to be made. I am sorry to inform you that your name was not among those recommended to me by the L&S Academic Staff Professional Development and Recognition Committee. I would however like to encourage your department and nominators to consider nominating you again next year.

Thank you for your many contributions to the College and the University. I am deeply grateful for all you do to make the College of Letters and Science such a wonderful place.

Sincerely,

Eric M. Wilcots

Interim Dean, College of Letters and Science Mary C. Jacoby Professor of Astronomy

cc: L&S Academic Staff Professional Development & Recognition Committee: Hilary Shager, Wendy Johnson, David Macasaet, Kristin Dalby, Rachel Bain, Chad Seys

Nominators: Timothy Bertram, Zachary Wickens, Tanner McDaniel, Clark Landis, Chase Salazar, Shannon Stahl, Nicholas Staudaher