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Dear Dr. Benjamin Walther:

Congratulations on receiving the 2018 Outstanding Master's Mentor Award, which recognizes graduate faculty members who truly go above and beyond to mentor TAMUCC students. The award distinguishes faculty for efforts in supporting, encouraging, and promoting their students' research, education, professional and personal development, and career plans.

It is an honor to be nominated by students. It speaks highly of how well you and your work are perceived at this university. The nomination provided evidence of the exceptional guidance you provide to students and your positive contributions to the public good.

As the recipient of this honor, you will receive a \$1000 travel award. You will also be recognized during Graduate Student Appreciation Week on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 and at the annual Faculty/Staff Awards Ceremony. Travel funds must be expended prior to August 15, 2018. When you are ready to request the funds, please have the administrative assistant for your department contact Karen Franzone at karen.franzone@tamucc.edu for the account number.

Thank you for your commitment to graduate education. You are a valued member of the graduate faculty and a prime example of what it means to truly serve as a mentor. It is the hope of the Graduate College that mentors like you will serve as role models for the entire campus.

Please contact my office for additional information regarding your travel award.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "JoAnn Canales".

JoAnn Canales, PhD
Dean, College of Graduate Studies

cc: Louisa Torrance
Dean Frank Pezold, PhD