



Dear Colleagues,

As we near the end of 2022 and the conclusion of the fall semester, I wish you a happy holiday season and extend my sincere gratitude for your contributions to Knowledge Enterprise, the university, and our community.

Our work is essential in supporting thriving people, a thriving planet, and a thriving society. Through initiatives like the following and many others, I'm proud to say we are doing just that:

- The state of Arizona selected ASU to lead the [Arizona Water Innovation Initiative](#), investing \$40 million for ASU to develop solutions for our water needs now and into the future.
- We [launched the Quantum Collaborative](#), a new research hub to advance quantum information science, which will have a profound impact on our future and how we solve problems.
- The Julie Ann Wrigley Global Futures Laboratory opened its [UNESCO BRIDGES Sustainability Science Coalition Flagship Hub](#), which uses a human-centered and humanities-driven approach to sustainability science at the local, regional and national levels.
- And, ASU is leading a 5-year USAID project to combat gender-based violence in El Salvador.

This just scratches the surface. There is outstanding work done every day across ASU. Your contributions are recognized and celebrated by your peers – as was evident at the recent Knowledge Enterprise Employee Awards. Congratulations again to all our 2022 award winners:

- **Community Engagement Award:** Monique Franco, Education & Outreach Coordinator, Central Arizona-Phoenix Long-Term Ecological Research Program (CAP LTER), Global Institute of Sustainability
- **Innovation Award:** Jessica Rousset, Deputy Director, Interplanetary Initiative
- **Team Builder Award:** Sabrina Sue Le, Program Manager, J. Orin Edson Entrepreneurship + Innovation Institute
- **Leadership Award:** Travis Mathews, Systems Analyst Senior, Research Technology Support
- **Vision Award:** Miranda Pratt, Director, Human Resources
- **Rookie of the Year Award:** AJ Woolson, Research Technician, Eyring Materials Center

I am proud to be your colleague. If you have any ideas or suggestions to improve Knowledge Enterprise, please send them directly to me at scmorton@asu.edu.

I wish you and your families a safe and enjoyable winter break and look forward to a productive 2023 as together we change the way the world solves problems.

Warm regards,
