

CONCEPTION DESIGN CONSTRUCTION

February 21, 2024

Dear XE Award Committee,

TCNJ chapter of Chi Epsilon would like to nominate Dr. Vedrana Krstic for the Faculty Award. Dr. Krstic has been the Faculty Advisor for The College of New Jersey's Chapter of Chi Epsilon since its inception in 2017. She is the heart and soul of our organization, and we would not be where we are without her leadership and guidance. Her endless devotion to her students, our chapter, and the mission of Chi Epsilon has made us thrive beyond any expectations.

Dr. Krstic brings out the best in each of our members. She understands the intricacies of running a successful organization and how to motivate us to keep on top of all of our events so they will run smoothly. She manages to pass her experience and wisdom on by educating us on the importance of creating schedules and constant communication. These are not only skills that help us with XE, but they are also skills that we will transfer into our professional careers.

As with all chapters, we pride ourselves on upholding the pillars of scholarship, character, practicality, and sociability. We are a very small chapter but Dr. Krstic always manages to make us look as if we are the largest one on campus. We are bursting with service, social and scholastic events the entire semester. Our members want to be involved and participate because of the positive atmosphere that Dr. Krstic has ingrained into our chapter.

Above all, the attribute that stands out the most about Dr. Krstic is her ability to care about all of her students. Whether or not you are a student in XE, she takes a personal interest in your time at TCNJ and in your future. For those inducted into XE, they are able to form a heartfelt bond with Dr. Krstic. It is a privilege to get to work closely with her and learn from her everyday. Her affection does not end with graduation, though. This past year, Dr. Krstic worked to establish the TCNJ XE Alumni Association. This association is meant to keep alumni connected to TCNJ XE and current students in a mutually beneficial relationship. Part of the rise of this association included working with matured alumni to help current students find internships and jobs at their respective companies. This proved to be successful and will continue to be a lasting legacy established by Dr. Krstic.

If we were to pick one word to describe Dr. Krstic it would be fierce. Her passion for Chi Epsilon is motivating and infectious. We owe a lot of our success to her both academically and personally. We could not think of a better person to lead and advise us, and we would not have it any other way.

TCNJ XE Student Members