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Nathan Brooks Named Chair of SWOSU Engineering Technology Department

Nathan Brooks has been named chair of the Department of Engineering Technology at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

Brooks has been a member of SWOSU's engineering technology faculty since 2014, teaching and managing labs in various courses including Fabrication Processes, Computer-aided Manufacturing and Machine Tool Processes.

He earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in Technology Education from SWOSU in 1999. In 2002, he earned a Master's in Education Administration from the University of Central Oklahoma. In 2012, Brooks was named the Oklahoma Technology Education Teacher of the Year by the Association for Career and Technical Education.

During his time at SWOSU, Brooks has served as a judge for the First Technology Robotics program, member and advisor for the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, faculty sponsor for the SWOSU NASA Human Exploration Rover Challenge team, and leads the department's ABET accreditation.

SWOSU Associate Dean Dr. Patsy Parker said Brooks is dedicated to improving student achievement and takes pride in assisting, training and educating current and future students of the SWOSU engineering technology program.

"Mr. Brooks is an excellent recruiter for the department and works hard to advise and retain our students," Parker said. "He has the full support of the engineering technology faculty and I know he will move the department forward."

Brooks, a graduate of Lomega High School, is married to Dr. Krista Brooks, an associate professor in the SWOSU College of Pharmacy. Their daughters, Karly and Kate, attend Weatherford Public Schools.

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