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Art Program earns NASAD Accreditation

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin is proud to announce that it has earned yet another national accreditation. After five years of hard work and dedication, the Art Program has been awarded accreditation from the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD).

“This is the result of a lot of work from faculty, staff, administration and everyone associated with the art program,” said Pam Price, Mr. & Mrs. Louis Rochester Professor in Fine Art.

NASAD is the national accrediting agency for art and design as well as related disciplines. It is an association of 277 schools of art and design, primarily at the collegiate level, but also including precollegiate and community colleges for the visual arts disciplines.

Price also said that UTPB is the sixth among Texas universities to earn this prestigious designation. Other NASAD accredited schools are Texas Tech University, the University of Texas at Austin, the University of Texas at San Antonio, Del Mar College and Stephen F. Austin University.

The NASAD accreditation assures that the art program at UTPB meets a standard of excellence and quality found among some of the finest programs in the country.

“Membership proves what we have known here for a long time,” Price said. “That we have a great program, excellent facilities a superb faculty and staff; and now we have the credentials.”

UTPB President David Watts said that this accreditation helps highlight the standard of education provided at UTPB.

“Accreditation is an indicator of quality,” said Watts. “Our students have the opportunity to work and study under one of the finest art programs in the state and country.”

For more information about the NASAD please visit the Web site at:

<http://nasad.arts-accredit.org/index.jsp>