Escorza receives 2015 TVMDL Director's Excellence Award

Annually, the Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (TVMDL) honors staff that has gone above and beyond their duty to ensure that one of the nation’s busiest laboratories runs smoothly. This year, Larisa Escorza receives a 2015 TVMDL Director’s Excellence Award for the Student category.

Tackling both a full slate of classes at Texas A&M University and the demanding work performed in the Clinical Pathology Section at TVMDL is a task that student worker Larisa Escorza handles with enthusiasm and positivity. Larisa has worked at TVMDL since 2012, joining the Histology, Endocrinology, Front Office and Directors Office sections before a strong desire to rejoin the laboratory work took her to Clinical Pathology.

“Larisa is one of the hardest working students we have had,” said nominator Sarah Eide, MLS, assistant section head. “Her cheerfulness and willingness to do whatever is needed is an example of cooperation and teamwork that will serve her well after she graduates in December.”

Dedicated to laboratory work, Larisa will join the College Station lab full time upon graduation. She will work as a technician in the Clinical Pathology Section. Her coworkers welcome the chance to continue working with such an invaluable asset.

“Larisa has eagerly learned most, if not all, aspects, skills and duties required of full-time technicians, has developed outstanding knowledge of subject matter related to this section, and always maintains a professional rapport with clients,” said coworker David Mahlmann.

The ability to retain a student worker to a full time position not only benefits the worker, but also TVMDL. As a new full time employee, Larisa already has knowledge of the higher-level services TVMDL provides clients.

TVMDL employs more than 150 professionals that work diligently to uphold the agency’s mission to protect animal and human health through diagnostics. We congratulate all of the 2015 Director’s Excellence Award winners.

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