

Doug Tolleason - GRHS Class of 1979



Since January 2008, Doug has been a rangeland scientist and educator for the University of Arizona, located at the V Bar V Ranch near Camp Verde where he works with ranchers, students, and agency land managers on a variety of rangeland, ranching, and natural resource management issues. He has a BS in animal science, MS in reproductive physiology, and a PhD in Rangeland Ecology and Management all from Texas A&M University. While at Texas A&M, Doug was an Assistant Research Scientist and the Director of the Grazingland Animal Nutrition Lab. As director of the lab, Doug taught workshops on monitoring grazing animal nutrition in the US as well as Mexico, Africa, Mongolia, and India.

Doug was awarded the 2013 University of Arizona Extension Faculty of the year. He was a member of the University of Arizona group that won the 2012 National Rangeland Research and Development award from the US Forest Service. In 2012 he served as President of the Arizona Section, Society for Range Management. He was an invited speaker at the 2012 Brazilian Society of Animal Science in Brasilia and the 2013 Colorado Section, Society for Range Management in Colorado Springs and just last November at a symposium on grazing small ruminants in Fortaleza, Brazil. He is currently on the editorial board of the Journal of Animal Science and is the liaison for the American Society of Animal Science to the Society for Range Management.

He has authored or co-authored 2 book chapters, 25 journal articles, 32 other peer-reviewed articles, and 110 abstracts. Dr Tolleason has served as a reviewer of doctoral theses from Australia and Pakistan and has been on the graduate committee for 3 MS and 3 PhD students.

Doug grew up in agriculture and construction, and has been married to his wife Lana for 31 years. They have two sons. Marshall is a junior at Texas A&M, Ross is a graduate of Texas A&M and currently serving as 1st Lt at Ft Hood TX. Ross married the former Mallory Williams in June of 2014. Mallory is finishing an MS in animal science at Texas A&M.

