



COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

The UNIVERSITY of OKLAHOMA

FACULTY AFFAIRS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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Dear Colleagues,

I am delighted to be writing to you as your Dean. I recently had the incredible fortune to be invited to attend “Match Day 2024.” The first thing I learned is that in the OU College of Medicine, it’s actually “Match Week!” The students put on an impressive series of activities together to celebrate the culmination, in most instances, of at least 7 years of post-secondary education where one envelope then informs the next step in their lives. The Student Affairs team, Student Council, and Class Officers put on a magical event.

That Match Day nearly coincides with the spring equinox is either intentional or a cosmic coincidence, but such is the rite of passage that is repeated each year. By now, the practical logistics have overtaken the post-match reactions and the cycle of up-and-coming 4th year students begins the cycle anew.

Internship will come and go, as will residency and fellowship – a defined quanta of time where the chrysalis is shed and the full physician emerges. Or at least, at that time in my own career, what I thought was the full physician. Little did I understand that as much learning would occur as a faculty member – perhaps more – than in all the formative training years combined. And of course, the seismic difference is that once you are faculty, the perception is that you have arrived and are in full control of your destination and journey.

I appreciate the incredible complexity of the lives of our faculty at the OU College of Medicine, where I hope you see your future as clearly as your present. I have spent the first 8 weeks of my time as Executive Dean meeting with students and the educational teams of the College, but look forward to meeting with as many faculty members as possible in the coming months. Finding joy in the work of advancing your clinical skills to heal; your ability to teach and to investigate the problems you face; and in propelling your own careers in a balanced way will be central themes of our focus together.



Yours,

Ian F. Dunn, MD, Executive Dean

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

KEVIN WATSON, MD

Associate Professor, Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences

Dr. Watson is a native Oklahoman and OU alum. He serves as the Associate Director of the General Residency Program. Dr. Watson is passionate about practicing and teaching the best possible psychiatry by creating affirming spaces for a diverse patient population and building therapeutic relationships necessary for healing change.



SALAHUDDIN AHMAD, PHD

Associate Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology

Dr. Ahmad was the second Chief Physicist, and inaugural Vice Chair of Physics and Technology for the Department of Radiation Oncology. His efforts in crafting and stabilizing the largest medical physics group, the first medical physics residency, and training more than half of the state's current medical physicists is not only laudable, but also enriched by the fact that he did so with an eye to maintaining robust research output among his trainees and faculty, as well as the highest level of clinical quality. Notably, Dr. Ahmad commissioned and pioneered the use of electronic brachytherapy (XOFT), and the division has quintupled under his leadership.



FACULTY IN THE NEWS



Yuri Lansinger, MD

Dr. Lansinger, Associate Professor, Department of Orthopedic Surgery & Rehabilitation received the Fulbright U.S. Scholar award for 2024-2025.



Britta Ostermeyer, MD

Dr. Ostermeyer, Professor and Chair, Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences received the Outstanding Service Award from the American Academy of Psychiatry and Law (AAPL)





ADVANCING YOUR CAREER

Applying for Promotion or Tenure this season?

It can feel daunting to prepare your promotion or tenure dossier. We've created lots of resources to help guide you. Also, you can request a CV or Narrative review. Please utilize the links below to help you prepare!

 [Getting Started & Workshop Slides](#) 

 [Important Documents & FAQs](#) 

 [Understanding Your Pathway](#) 

 [Your CV in Activity Insight](#) 

 [Model Dossiers](#) 

 [OUHSC P&T Guidelines](#) 



Earlier deadlines coming for upcoming P&T Process!



Preliminary Dossiers

August 2, 2024

Final Tenure Dossiers

September 20, 2024

Final Promotion Dossiers

September 30, 2024

ATS & NEWS

Academy of Teaching Scholars

Lunch & Learn Series

“Artificial Intelligence in Education“

Dee Wu, PhD



Thursday, May 9, 2024

12:00- 1:00 PM



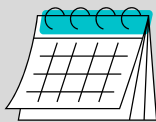
Academy of Teaching Scholars Video Library Highlight

Title:

“Clinical Teaching by the
Bedside”

Presenter:

Olivia Lust, MD



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

April

26: Departmental P&T Intentions Due to Trista Hoehne

May

9: ATS Lunch & Learn

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