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A Monthly Insight from the Office of Diversity, Inclusion and Community Engagement

Student Stories with Nathan Cross

What made you pursue a career in the Medical Field?

I served as a Marine Corpsman for eight years and loved every minute of it. While serving, I seriously began to consider a career in medicine after coming to realize how much I valued the patient-provider relationship.

I love getting to know people, getting to hear their stories, and working with them to improve their health. I am also interested in the use of entrepreneurial techniques and ideas to lower the cost of healthcare, increase access, and improve health outcomes.

Why did you choose OU Medical School?

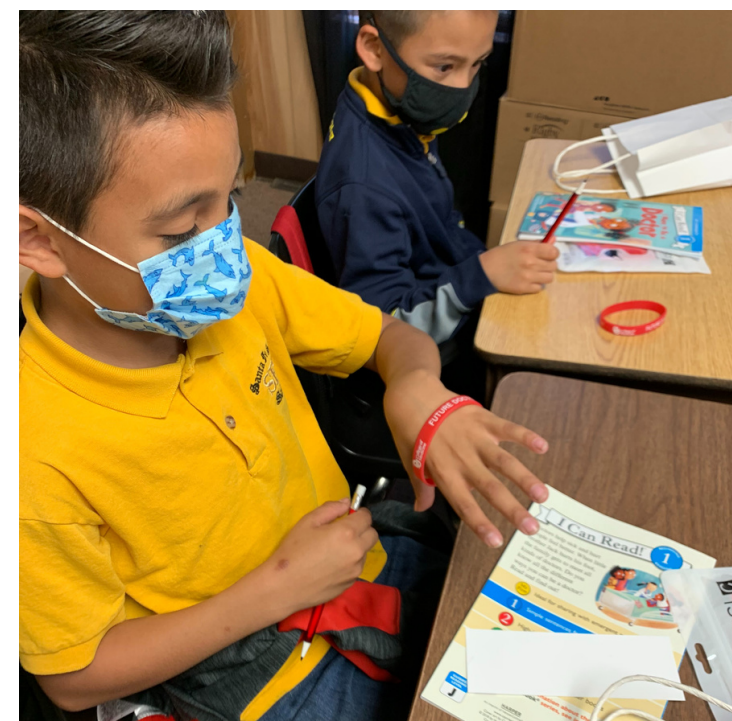
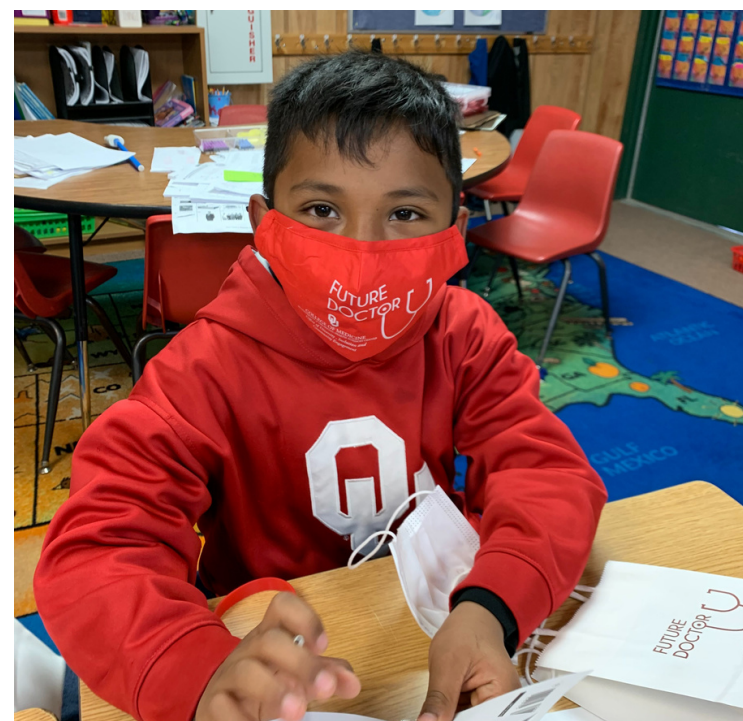
I chose OU for a few reasons. The practical one being is OKC is where I already lived with my wife and kids. However, I am a life-long OU fan and my dream was to always graduate with a degree from OU. That is what brought me to OKC initially. Earning my MD from OU is an extension of that dream. I also believe it is an incredibly exciting time to be in OKC given the recent growth, focus on locally made goods, and incredible food and art scene.

More seriously, I chose OU because I fell in love with the culture. Everyone at the College of Medicine was friendly, warm, and supportive. I knew the culture was genuine thanks to friends already attending the college. I can absolutely say the same as a student now.

Thank
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Health is Wealth



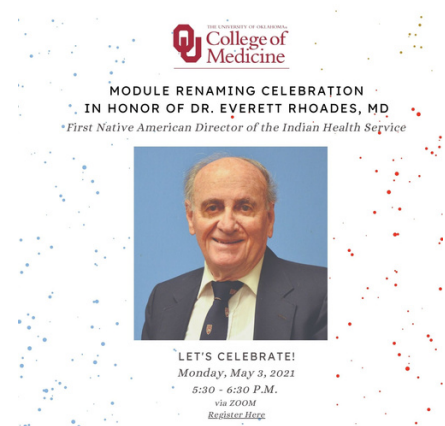
Stay in the Loop

The Mark Allen Everett, MD, Skin of Color Virtual Symposium, presented by the Department of Dermatology at the OU College of Medicine

Friday, April 23, 2021. This event will include expert dermatologists discussing dermatologic conditions related to patients with skin of color.

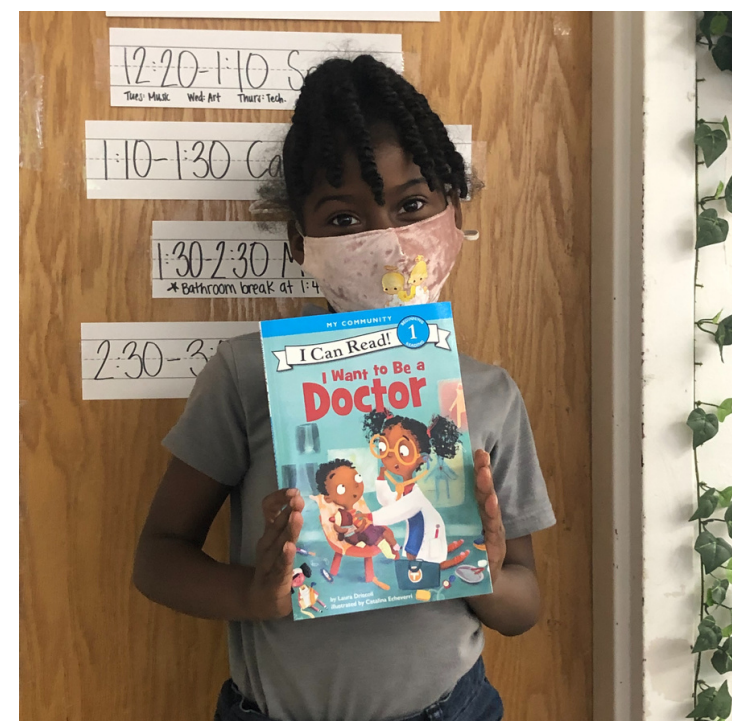
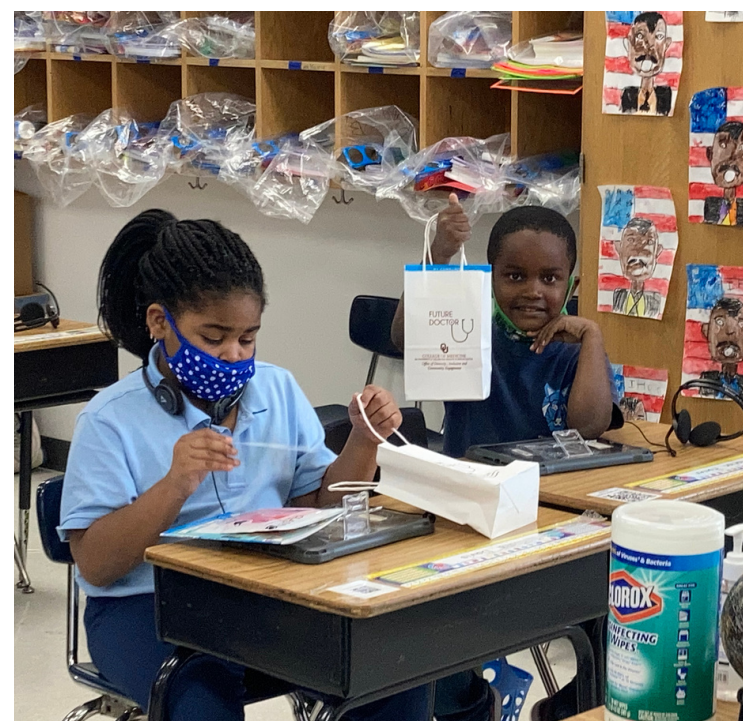
[Register Here](#)

Culture Corner



Please join us in a module renaming in honor of Dr. Everett Rhoades on May 3, 2021 5:30 - 6:30 PM via Zoom.

[Register Here](#)



OU Giving Day April 13, 2021!

Thank you for your generosity!

Minority Health Conference April 17, 2021

OU MED REV UP! Graduation May 2021



ODICE partnered with several intercity schools to donate 700 gift bags for Doctors' Day and International Children's Book Day!
#FutureDoctors

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Meet The Office of Student Services & Admissions



Jeanne Hayes MD, MPH
Associate Dean of
Student Affairs

Dr. Hayes oversees the School of Community Medicine (SCM) Student Services for both the medical and physician assistant students. Her specific responsibilities include admissions, student advising, student grievances, scholarship administration and a host of other student duties.



Jabraan Pasha MD, FACP
Assistant Dean of
Student Affairs

Dr. Pasha oversees the School of Community medicine pipeline programs, Club Scrubs and MASH camp, and the medical student mentorship program. His other responsibilities include admissions, scholarship administration and diversity, equity and inclusion efforts.



Meredith Talley, BA, MHR
Director of Student Services
and Admissions

Meredith serves as the Director of the Student Services office, managing the day to day operation of all aspects of student services, including outreach, recruitment, admissions, student activities, orientation, graduation, exam proctoring, current student support, and more. Meredith also serves as an advisor for the SCM Student Executive Council.



Angela Surratt, MHA
Admissions, Recruitment and
Special Projects Coordinator

Angela helps coordinate admissions activities and pipeline programs such as Club Scrubs and MASH Camp for high school students during the summer. In addition, Angela recruits prospective students for the School of Community Medicine and helps with the admissions process. She also helps to foster relationships with community partners and campuses across Oklahoma and surrounding states for development and planning. Angela helps with facilitating student led clubs, meetings, workshops, interview days and various events for high school students and current medical and physician assistant students.

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Message from the Office:

The Office of Student Services welcomes you to the OU-TU School of Community Medicine, the first medical school of its kind in the nation. We're especially proud of the opportunity to recruit and train physicians in this exciting new curriculum designed to serve the healthcare needs of entire communities, especially vulnerable and underserved populations.

Message from the Student Services Special Project Team

Make sure to check out Reality HC (Healthcare), on OU-TU SCM's Instagram page where the SSS Projects Team will host live interviews with OU-TU SCM faculty including assistant professor, Dr. Jackson, on Friday April 16th and family physician, Dr. Dennis on Friday, April 30th.

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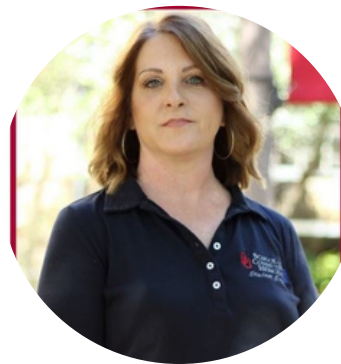


Meet The Office of Student Services & Admissions



Wang Yang
Scholarships and Business
Coordinator

Wang supports students in a variety of ways including planning events such as the student match lunch, convocation and other student services. Wang is the administrative support for the Scholarship and Awards Committee and coordinates the scholarship process for the students in the SCM. She joined our office in November 2017.



Tammy Kuykendall
Student Services Coordinator

Tammy serves as the coordinator medical students. She is responsible for the scheduling and enrollment aspects for the preclinical classes and clinical rotations and clerkships. Tammy serves as the SCM's Chief Proctor for the national exams administered during student's third and fourth years



Romaine Wennerstrom
Administrative Assistant

Romaine is the first friendly face you'll see when you visit the Student Services Office. Her responsibilities include, coordination and support of the general day-to-day operational, administrative, and clerical tasks related to the Student Services Office.



Rosanne McDaniel, EdS, LPC, LADC, CEDS
Student Success Program Senior Counselor

Rosanne collaborates with students, faculty, and staff to develop a holistic approach that addresses self-identified obstacles. She offers assistance identifying academic resources, developing professional skills and providing emotional support to help students reach their highest potential.