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Dear Colleagues,

I write today to share news that University College Dean Nicole Campbell is stepping out of her current role and resuming her position on the faculty, effective August 15, 2022. Dean Campbell has served as Dean of University College since 2012 but has been part of the OU community much longer, having joined the OU faculty as a visiting assistant professor in 1998. For more than a decade, she has been a champion for our students as they acclimate to the OU community, ensuring they find their place on campus and thrive as they begin their college career.

Earlier this summer, Dean Campbell asked me for the opportunity to return her focus to teaching and scholarship. Though her presence will be greatly missed at University College, we are happy that by resuming a full-time role as a Professor of Psychology, she can now devote herself more fully to her teaching and her research on student retention and success.

Our search for the next dean of University College will begin with haste. In the meantime, I have asked Mark Morvant, Senior Vice Provost for Instruction and Student Success, to serve as the college's Interim Dean, pending final approval by the OU Board of Regents. As Senior Vice Provost, Dr. Morvant oversees a number of areas, including Graduation and Persistence Services, Intrasession, Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity, and Transfer Student Success, as well as the Provost's Advisory Committees, with oversight of General Education and Classrooms. Dr. Morvant has worked closely with University College in his role as Senior Vice Provost for Instruction and Student Success.

A professor of chemistry in the Dodge Family College of Arts and Sciences, Dr. Morvant's research focuses on integrating active and cooperative learning in large enrollment science courses and developing open-ended laboratory experiments. His service to higher education includes serving on the OSRHE's Council of Instruction and on the State's Concurrent Enrollment Task Force. We are thrilled he has agreed to serve as Interim Dean of University College.

Please join me in thanking Dean Campbell for her dedicated leadership this past decade and wishing Dr. Morvant success in his new role.

Sincerely,

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