



The UNIVERSITY of OKLAHOMA.
Office of the Senior Vice President and Provost

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Dear Colleagues and Students,

I am pleased to share that Dr. Kevin Sauer has been appointed Interim Dean of the College of Allied Health, effective June 1, 2026, pending final approval by the OU Board of Regents. He will immediately begin working closely with Dr. Jane Wilson to ensure a seamless transition and continued momentum across the college as she prepares for her retirement this summer.

Dr. Sauer joined the University of Oklahoma Health Campus in 2024 as Professor and Chair of the Department of Nutritional Sciences. In his time at OU, he has demonstrated strong leadership in advancing academic programs, faculty recruitment, and student recruitment. He has represented OU in the SEC Advanced Leadership Program, led accreditation planning efforts, and recruited research-active faculty to strengthen the college's portfolio.

Prior to joining OU, Dr. Sauer held faculty and leadership roles at Kansas State University, and he brings additional administrative and clinical experience across multiple health systems. His work has focused on advancing nutrition research and education at a national level.

As Interim Dean, Dr. Sauer will build on the foundation established under Dr. Wilson's leadership, including expanding student training capacity, strengthening research, and aligning programs with workforce needs and the strategic health priorities of Oklahoma.

We have begun a national search for the next permanent Dean. I am grateful to Dr. Sauer for his leadership during this transition.

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Sauer on this appointment.

Sincerely,

Gary E. Raskob, Ph.D.
Senior Vice President and Provost
OU Health Campus