



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

July 29, 2026

Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Sarah Robbins as Associate Provost for Policy & Administration and Chief of Staff to the Norman Provost. She will officially step into her new role on August 24, pending final approval by the OU Board of Regents.

Sarah has served the University of Oklahoma with distinction for more than two decades, holding a series of progressively broader leadership roles within University Libraries since joining OU in 1999. Most recently, she has served as Senior Director for Research and Strategic Initiatives, where she has led strategic planning efforts, managed university-wide initiatives, and partnered across the institution to advance OU's academic and research priorities. Throughout her career, Sarah has earned a reputation as a thoughtful leader, skilled collaborator, and trusted advisor who brings people together to solve complex challenges and move important work forward.

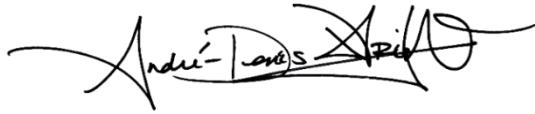
In addition to her administrative leadership, Sarah has demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to university service. She has served on numerous university committees and councils, most recently as Chair of the Norman campus Faculty Senate during the 2025-26 academic year. Her deep understanding of shared governance, faculty perspectives, and institutional policy will serve the Office of the Provost and our university community exceptionally well in this role.

As Associate Provost for Policy & Administration and Chief of Staff, Sarah will serve as a key strategic partner in advancing academic priorities, coordinating cross-campus initiatives, supporting policy development, and strengthening collaboration across the university. Her experience, institutional knowledge, and commitment to OU's mission make her especially well suited for this position.

As we prepare to welcome Sarah to her new role, I know many of you join me in expressing our sincere gratitude to Grey Allman for her outstanding service in this role over the past 10 years. Grey has been an invaluable member of the Provost's leadership team, providing wise counsel, exceptional organizational leadership, and steadfast support through periods of significant progress and change. We wish her well in her next chapter.

Please join me in thanking Grey for her many contributions and congratulating Sarah on her new appointment. I look forward to working with Sarah in this new capacity as we continue advancing the academic mission of the University of Oklahoma.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "André-Denis Wright". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial 'A' and a circular flourish at the end.

André-Denis G. Wright, Ph.D.
Senior Vice President and Provost (Norman campus)