Hello LCOM Medical Students,

The Office of Medical Student Education (OMSE) is excited to communicate a few recent transitions in our office.

First, I am delighted to share that Colleen Case, who has worked at the front desk as the Office of Medical Student Education Administrative Assistant since March 2017, has accepted the position of Executive Assistant to the Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education. Over the next few weeks, Colleen will transition from our Medical Student Services Team to OMSE Administration, and you can visit her in her new office, in Given Courtyard N105 (in the OMSE suite). Colleen will be working with and supporting me in my role as Interim Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education. In addition to many other responsibilities, Colleen will be managing my calendar and scheduling appointments for me.

Please note that Kiersten Hallquist, who has provided direct administrative support to me these past six years (Thank you Kiersten!), will remain in her role as Student Services Coordinator, and will continue to serve as a valuable resource to students and existing and incoming Medical Student Services Team members. Kiersten is your primary Medical Student Services contact and support person.

We are also very excited to share that Tim Moynihan, who you know as a curriculum coordinator and curriculum specialist in OMSE since August 2016, has accepted the position of Director of Academic Achievement for the Medical Student Services Team. Tim, who has a master’s degree in counseling psychology and a Ph.D. in Psychology, is passionate about medical education and providing academic support to medical students. Tim began his role as Director of Academic Achievement today, and his new office is N103 (in the OMSE suite). During the first few months in this position, Tim will be visiting other medical schools with academic support programs, participating in professional development for medical education learning specialists, and collaborating with our colleagues in OMSE, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, the Student Accessibility Office, and the Stern Center for Language and Learning, to design and implement a comprehensive Academic Achievement Program at LCOM.

You may have also noticed a new friendly face at the OMSE front desk. Taylor Silvestri joins us as our Interim OMSE Administrative Assistant at the front desk. Colleen is currently in the process of training Taylor in the roles and responsibilities of the front desk representative.

Please join me in providing Taylor a warm welcome and in congratulating Colleen and Tim on their new positions within OMSE!

Please do not hesitate to contact me or studentCOMservices@med.uvm.edu with any questions or if we can be of assistance. We are always here and happy to help!

Kind regards,
Dean Zehle