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From the Interim Chancellor

t's a pleasure to welcome you as the newest member of the talented and dedicated faculty at the University of Mississippi! As a new colleague, you are bringing new energy and spirit to campus that will enhance our commitment to academic excellence.



Larry D. Sparks

As a valued member of our academic community, what will you do to boost our national profile or accelerate our growth, impact, and success? It will be exciting to see how you'll build on our momentum.

Looking ahead to the fall faculty meeting, please let us know how we can help you enjoy a smooth and successful transition to UM. And once again, welcome — so glad you're now a part of our campus community.

Sincerely,

Jony N. Sparks

Larry D. Sparks Interim Chancellor

From the Provost

Velocity of Mississippi. We are glad that you are joining our vibrant community of scholars that is committed to educating and serving the citizens of our state, nation, and world. The work you do here will be incredibly meaningful. Quite simply, it changes lives.

We are dedicated to fostering an atmosphere that unleashes your creativity. The University of Mississippi is a better place when



Noel E. Wilkin

you succeed. We are committed to nurturing a culture that respects the dignity of every person. This is fundamental to our community's values and is critical to fairness, civility, integrity, academic honesty, and academic freedom.

We are glad you are here and look forward to the great things you will accomplish as members of our community.

Sincerely,

Noel E. Wilkin Provost



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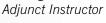
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I believe in fairness and civility.

I believe in personal and professional integrity.

I believe in academic honesty.

I believe in academic freedom.

I believe in good stewardship of our resources.

I pledge to uphold these values and encourage others to follow my example.

