

University of Mississippi

eGrove

University of Mississippi News

2-17-2022

Donna Strum Selected as School of Pharmacy Dean

Whitney Tarpy

Follow this and additional works at: <https://egrove.olemiss.edu/umnews>

Recommended Citation

Tarpy, Whitney, "Donna Strum Selected as School of Pharmacy Dean" (2022). *University of Mississippi News*. 1451.

<https://egrove.olemiss.edu/umnews/1451>

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by eGrove. It has been accepted for inclusion in University of Mississippi News by an authorized administrator of eGrove. For more information, please contact egrove@olemiss.edu.

Donna Strum Selected as School of Pharmacy Dean

School alumna brings education, leadership experience to official role

 FEBRUARY 17, 2022 BY [WHITNEY TARPY](#)

[Fa](#) [Tv](#) [Li](#) [Er](#) [Co](#) [SM](#) [Pr](#) [St](#)



Donna West Strum has been named the new dean of the School of Pharmacy. Photo by Kevin Bain/Ole Miss Digital Imaging Services

OXFORD, Miss. – Donna Strum, whose nationally respected career has spanned professional practice, academics and administration, has been named the new dean of the **School of Pharmacy** and executive director of the **Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences** at the **University of Mississippi**.

A three-time graduate of the pharmacy school, Strum served as interim dean and executive director since July 1, 2021. The Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning trustees approved the official role move on Thursday (Feb. 17).

"I am honored to lead one of the best pharmacy schools and research enterprises in the nation," Strum said. "We have a strong foundation of excellence on both our Oxford and Jackson campuses and throughout our vast network of alumni, preceptors and professional community."

"I look forward to building on this success as we continue to support an inclusiveness and diverse environment. We'll work on advancing our missions through innovation and collaboratively enhance our impact on public health."

As dean, Strum will oversee the growing educational opportunities for the undergraduate, graduate and professional programs at the nationally ranked pharmacy school. She will guide the five research centers within RIPS, including the **recently added National Center for Cannabis Research and Education**, and help facilitate industry partnerships and research funding, as the school brought in more than \$19.2 million in external funding last year.

"Dr. Strum is an accomplished and respected scholar with a national reputation in pharmacy," said Noel Wilkin, UM provost and executive vice chancellor for academic affairs. "She has distinguished herself as a trusted and respected leader and administrator, and I am confident she will be able to help the nationally ranked School of Pharmacy achieve even greater success."

Before her interim role, Strum was appointed as the university's associate provost in 2017, where she oversaw a wide variety of faculty, student and administrative matters, including academic budget, student retention and human resource issues.

After eight years on the faculty for the College of Pharmacy at the University of Arkansas Medical Sciences, she returned to Ole Miss in 2008 as chair and professor in the Department of Pharmacy Administration.

During her stint as chair, she assisted in restructuring the graduate curriculum, as well as helping the department win the university's Excellence in Promoting Inclusiveness in Graduate Education award.

She was recognized with the 2015 Duncan Neuhauser Award from the Academy for Healthcare Improvement and the school's 2016 Faculty Instructional Innovations Award for her role in creating and implementing the teaching tool Educating Pharmacists in Quality, or EPIQ. The resource trains pharmacists and student pharmacists to measure and improve quality in pharmacy care.

Strum graduated from the university with her bachelor's in pharmacy as well as master's and doctoral degrees in pharmacy administration.

 FILED UNDER: [NEWS RELEASES](#), [SCHOOL OF PHARMACY](#)

Follow us on social



Campus Briefs

Students Learn 'Real Politics' in Washington, D.C., Winter Session

OXFORD, Miss. – Eleven University of Mississippi students spent their winter break learning about the people who work behind the scenes of the American government in Washington, D.C. Lead by Jonathan Klingler, assistant professor of political science, the students of Pol 391: Applied Politics met not with candidates, but with the people who make candidates'

[Read the story ...](#)

[More Posts from this Category](#)

Thank You To Our Donors

Young Alumna Gives Back to School of Accountancy

OXFORD, Miss. – Stephanie Jennings Teague, of Chicago, sees her commitment of \$100,000 to the Patterson School of Accountancy's new building at the University of Mississippi as a means of saying "thank you." "It is a way to show a small token of my appreciation to Ole Miss, the faculty and staff, and the accounting

[Read the story ...](#)

[More Posts from this Category](#)

Ole Miss In the News

Reuters: Keep an Eye on the Money Supply

U.S. inflation roller coaster prompts fresh look at long-ignored money supply By Michael S. Derby NEW YORK – The amount of money sloshing around the U.S. economy shrank last year for the first time on record, a development that some economists believe bolsters the case for U.S. inflation pressures continuing to abate. The Federal Reserve's

[Read the story ...](#)

More Posts from this Category

[Return to top of page](#)

Copyright © 2023 · [The University of Mississippi](#)