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Administrator helps students achieve career goals

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Sovent Taylor

OXFORD, Miss. – Sovent Taylor has been named director of the University of Mississippi **Health Professions Advising Office**.

The Health Professions Advising Office, located on the third floor of the **Martindale Student Services Center**, aims to provide information to students pursuing careers as health professionals.

In his new role as director, Taylor said he will focus on the needs of UM students as they begin their path toward a career in a health profession.

“Our students can come to us at any time,” Taylor said. “Everyone in this office is passionate about helping students.”

“I want to raise awareness and work with our faculty and staff on campus so they can understand more about what we do to help students achieve their dreams of becoming health professionals.”

Taylor is no stranger to the university, having earned bachelor’s degrees in psychology and marketing from UM in 2003, a master’s degree in higher education in 2006 and his doctorate in higher education in May.

He serves on the University Standing Committee for Intercollegiate Athletics and the UG Application Selection Committee for Regional Scholarship Applications. He is national vice president for the Alpha Epsilon Delta health preprofessional honor society.

Taylor’s appointment is beneficial to the students and the university, said Lee Cohen, dean of the **College of Liberal Arts**.

“Our office is delighted to have Dr. Taylor in this important role,” Cohen said. “He is our first full-time professional staff director in HPAO, which means that he will be able to spend more time devoted to the activities and leadership necessary in this office as we move forward.”

“Dr. Taylor brings years of experience working in different capacities on campus, and his knowledge and connections with various health professional schools in Mississippi and beyond is a great benefit to our students.”

Interested Ole Miss students can find out more about the services offered at the Health Professions Advising Office by visiting <http://healthprofessions.olemiss.edu/>.

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