

Dear Students:

Congratulations and welcome to the University of Maryland School of Medicine (UMSOM). We are truly delighted that you have chosen to bring your talents, your drive, and your passion to our incredible institution to study medicine.

Chartered in 1807, the UMSOM continues today as one of the fastest growing, top-tier biomedical research enterprises in the nation. According to the Association for American Medical Colleges, the UMSOM ranks in the Top 10 among all 92 public medical schools in the country. We provide an inclusive learning environment that develops leaders in medicine who strive to improve the health and wellbeing of patients and communities through high-quality and equitable patient care, research, education, and engagement in a culturally relevant and socially responsible manner. In 2020 we launched a new Renaissance Curriculum with the goal of developing life-long learners who are clinically excellent and possess humanism, professionalism, leadership, critical thinking, and attention to social justice and diversity.

As your dean, my job includes making your medical educational journey a successful one. The School of Medicine is committed to providing the support and opportunities you need to achieve your academic, personal, and professional goals. Our Office of Student Affairs is loaded with talented faculty and staff who will prepare you to fully engage in all aspects of our tri-partite mission: education, research, and clinical care. Promise yourself, and me, that you will play an active role in this collaborative effort so that you may become the best physicians and physician-scientists you can be. In doing that, you will make the world a better place as well.

With enthusiasm and commitment,



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