

Administrative Restructuring

Dear Colleagues:

Over the past several months, President Stanley has assessed how to best position Michigan State University's operational and financial resources to be most efficient and effective, organizationally. The importance of operating nimbly and strategically has been magnified by the COVID-19 crisis and it is crucial—now more than ever—for our business units to deliver meaningful outcomes that enhance the academic mission.

As a continuation of the administrative restructuring announced in September, University Services will report to the Executive Vice President for Administration and Chief Information Officer, effective January 1, 2021.

University Services will join EVPA as a reporting organization along with Human Resources, Infrastructure Planning and Facilities, Sustainability, and Land Management to consolidate these administrative services into a single reporting line. This approach allows these functions to identify opportunities for synergy and aligns supply chain management areas where the largest dependencies lie—Information Technology, Sustainability and IPF. We are seeing peer institutions organize in a similar paradigm.

Additionally, Kristin Demir, University Services Director, will be appointed as Associate Vice President and Chief Procurement Officer, reporting to the EVPA, with increased responsibilities for operational supply chain management across MSU. Since the beginning of the COVID-19 crisis, Kristin has led the Supply Chain Task Force and provided oversight for cross-unit demand planning.

We look forward to collaborating with the University Services team as we continue searching for opportunities and innovative ways to advance the mission of the University.

Sincerely,

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