The Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program is proud to announce Dr. Weiwei Xu will soon join the office staff as the Academic and Career Advisor. She received her Ph.D. in Biomedical Sciences at Tulane University in December 2018. After graduation, Dr. Xu served as a postdoctoral scholar at the Helmholtz Center Munich in Germany. While at Helmholtz, Dr. Xu received additional training from their Center in Advanced Mentoring. This advanced training allowed Dr. Xu to assist other scientists in their personal and career development. In addition to providing direct supervision of two Ph.D. students and two technicians, she also provided mentoring and coaching to more than 30 Ph.D. and master students at the Helmholtz Center Munich. In her new role with BMS, Dr. Xu will provide guidance, consultation, and expertise related to academic and career advising for students working toward their doctorate and master level degrees.

- The School of Medicine will start the semester without the week delay announced by President Fitts. For most MS programs, this means that classes will begin on January 18, 2022. We are aware, however, that some programs will begin earlier in January. Students who are unsure about when their classes will begin should confirm the date with their program director and/or coordinator.
- Professionalism Concerns: The website to report professionalism concerns for faculty, staff or fellow students is below. This link is also available in the current student tab of the BMS website. https://medicine.tulane.edu/student-affairs/professionalismenvironment-learning-program
- The Counseling Center is open to all BMS students. They offer same-day appointments via telephone 504-314-2277, but students will need to call early in the day (before 9:00 am) if they want a same-day session. Right now, most sessions are via zoom.
- Counseling Center email: counseling@tulane.edu
- Counseling Center website: campushealth.tulane.edu/counseling
- The Office of International Students and Scholars has re-established Downtown Office hours every Wednesday from 1-4 pm, Tidewater Building, Room 1225 (Career Services Office).

**Donut Day!**

3rd Wednesday of every month in the BMS office!
January 19th, 9-11 AM,
Rm 1524, Hutchinson

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