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WELCOME New Faculty!

I am thrilled you are joining us at Delta State University where you will be collaborating with colleagues that are committed to providing excellent academic experiences for all of our students. We provide these experiences in an environment that is committed to the highest professional standards and that is supportive and respectful of each other.

I know this is a most unusual academic year for all of us, so please reach out to your department chair, dean, or me if you have any questions or concerns while we work to educate students and stay safe during this global pandemic.

At Delta State University we define Student Success as “retention and graduation.” When students complete their degree they are able to take the next critical step in reaching their personal and professional aspirations. We are eager for you to learn about and participate in our robust programs to help students succeed.

Delta State has a long tradition of excellence in education, service, and mentorship to our students. We are eager for you to engage with your new colleagues and build on our strengths to provide the educational experiences our students need to meet the changing demands of our global society.

The Gertrude C. Ford Center for Teaching and Learning offers a wide variety of professional development opportunities to enable you to grow and improve as a teacher. Our strategy is simple, provide support you to be the best teacher you can be so that our students will succeed academically. This stems from the belief that the key ingredient to student success is good teaching. I encourage each of you take advantage of the many opportunities available to you in the Center.

Once again, welcome, and I look forward to seeing you on campus.

Best regards,

