

The following message is sent on behalf of Ryan Nesbit to BAAF and the Business Services –L:

I am pleased to announce that James Shore, Assistant Vice President for Budget and Financial Planning at Wake Forest University, has been named as the University of Georgia's Senior Associate Vice President for Finance and Administration, effective February 1, 2015. James has over eleven years of financial administration experience at Wake Forest while serving as a Budget Analyst, a Senior Financial Management Analyst, and now leads its Office of Budget & Financial Planning. During this time, James has emerged as a leader among Wake Forest's administrative team by distinguishing himself as a highly effective collaborator who possesses deep technical expertise.

In serving as UGA's Budget Director, James will be responsible for the coordination and advancement of the University's budget planning, budget development and budget management processes. James will work very closely with the Office of the Provost and our many academic colleagues, as well as with University System of Georgia staff, in fulfilling these primary responsibilities. James will also fulfill a variety of additional responsibilities in supporting UGA's teaching, research, public service and student life missions and in facilitating the broad and diverse operational responsibilities of the units within Finance and Administration.

I am deeply grateful for the time and effort invested in this process by the search committee, chaired by Vice President for Information Technology, Tim Chester, as well as the many members of the University community who met with each of the finalists and provided very valuable feedback.

I am also deeply grateful for the extraordinary leadership Holley Schramski has provided while serving in this role on an interim basis and for the exceptional service and outstanding work of the staff in University Business and Accounting Services and in the Budget Division during this time of transition. Much has been done and much is in progress to help advance the support we provide to our students, faculty, and staff and I am confident that James will provide the leadership and support to continue building on this very positive momentum and energy.

Please join me in welcoming James, his wife Leigh Anne and their two children to the UGA family, the Athens community and the Bulldog Nation!