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We are pleased to announce that Cristin Gavin, Ph.D., will serve as Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Biomedical Programs, effective November 1.

Dr. Gavin received her Doctorate in Neuroscience from the University of Alabama at Birmingham, while training remotely at The Scripps Research Institute in Jupiter, Florida. After completion of her doctoral training, Dr. Gavin returned to UAB for a post-doctoral fellowship. She joined the Department of Neurobiology faculty in 2016.

As an Assistant Professor in both the Departments of Neurobiology and Psychology, Dr. Gavin serves as Co-Director of both the Undergraduate Neuroscience Program and the UAB Postbaccalaureate Research Education Program. In 2016, she was the recipient of a National Academic Advising Association Award and in 2019, was honored with Dean's Award for Excellence for Teaching. She oversees curriculum, faculty development, academic advising, recruitment, and manages undergraduate neuroscience research in the UAB School of Medicine. Dr. Gavin has worked with countless students to establish a series of professional development workshops that aim to help students with graduate applications for biomedical research programs and other professional schools.

In this role, Dr. Gavin will be responsible for the oversight and program management of established undergraduate programs such as the Neurosciences, Genetics, Immunology, Bioinformatics, Cancer, and Biology.

We hope you'll join us in welcoming Dr. Gavin into this important leadership role.

Sincerely,  
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