Lauren Smith - Executive Assistant I

13 September 2024

Lauren is awesome! She is the engine that keeps Vandal Success going. In one of the most demanding positions at the university, she works tirelessly to support our staff, coordinate staff and students, provide the staff with all the various materials we need, and generally keep things running smoothly. This is to say nothing of what a positive, kind, and genuinely wonderful person she is to get to work with. Working for Vandal Success is amazing and that is in no small part because we get to work with Lauren. The university is so fortunate to have such a wonderful person helping support our students and staff!

Christopher Castle - Academic Advisor

16 September 2024

Chris presents a heartfelt approach to student and colleague support. He strives to learn and grow to be better equipped to support those around him. He is eager to help, and always one of the first to volunteer solutions, time, or support.

Lisa Belles - Academic Advisor

16 September 2024

Lisa has recently taken on an additional workload as an interim advisor for the College of Engineering, while also navigating an increase in enrollment within her college (College of Science). Through it all, she continues to provide intentional, solution-focused, expert support to her students and colleagues. She is a wealth of information and a fundamental support to all around her. We are fortunate to have Lisa on the advising team!

Lily Gregor - Lookout Restaurant Assistant Manager

18 September 2024

Lily has a real talent for making her customers feel welcome. She is always smiling, a genuine warmth that radiates, and her knowledge of the menu is extensive and incredibly helpful. Your added touches writing on our to-go boxes brightens our day.

Tami Clabough - Sponsored Programs Administrator II

19 September 2024

Tami Clabough is an incredible Sponsored Programs Administrator. During our busiest submission season, she took on more than her fair share of proposals and tasks. She is always willing to help her fellow team members, has a keen eye for details, and often reminds me of things I have missed. She helps me by "managing up," often foreseeing complications or issues far ahead of time and working with the team to document or change processes to avoid them. Tami plays a huge part in UI's growing research portfolio and I am incredibly thankful she is part of the OSP team.

Christopher Castle - Academic Advisor

24 September 2024

Chris is always such a positive presence on our team. He is always quick to help someone in need and is always willing to take on an extra challenge. Recently, he led a staff meeting discuss how best to support international students that was both engaging and informative. It's a real pleasure to get to work with Chris!