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**UAMS' Kristen Sterba, Ph.D., Elected  
President of Graduate Enrollment Association**

LITTLE ROCK — Kristen Sterba, Ph.D., associate provost for students and administration and director for institutional research, policy and accreditation in the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) Office of Academic Affairs, was recently elected president of NAGAP, The Association for Graduate Enrollment Management.

Sterba, who previously served as vice president, has begun serving as president. Her term lasts through April 2024.

“I’m grateful for the opportunity to lead this important organization representing both Arkansas and UAMS on a national scope,” Sterba said. “The networking and communicating our members do within our organization helps improve our institutions for faculty, staff and students.”

Formerly the National Association of Graduate Admissions Professionals, NAGAP is a nonprofit, professional organization that focuses on the concerns of those working in the graduate enrollment management environment. The association consists of approximately 1,200 members representing institutions of higher education of all sizes, both public and private.

“We are proud that Dr. Sterba’s NAGAP peers elected her president and congratulate her on the honor,” said Stephanie Gardner, Pharm.D., Ed.D., UAMS provost and chief strategy officer. “Serving in professional organizations — especially as an elected officer — models academic citizenship that strengthens UAMS as well as the other participants and their organizations.”

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; a hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W.

Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. UAMS includes UAMS Health, a statewide health system that encompasses all of UAMS' clinical enterprise. UAMS is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. *U.S. News & World Report* recognized UAMS Medical Center as a Best Hospital for 2021-22; ranked its ear, nose and throat program among the top 50 nationwide for the third year; and named five areas as high performing — colon cancer surgery, diabetes, hip replacement, knee replacement and stroke. UAMS has 3,047 students, 873 medical residents and fellows, and six dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 11,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children's, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit [www.uams.edu](http://www.uams.edu) or [www.uamshealth.com](http://www.uamshealth.com). Find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#).

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