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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 23, 2024

TO: Faculty & Staff

FROM: Lawrence Schovanec, President
Noel Sloan, CFO and Senior Vice President for
Administration & Finance

RE: New Vice President and Chief Information Officer

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Lin Zhou has been named Chief Information Officer (CIO) for Texas Tech University, effective today, Sept. 23. His appointment follows a nationwide search that began in January.

With over 25 years of leadership experience, spanning some of the world's largest blue-chip companies and higher education institutions, Dr. Zhou brings a unique blend of business knowledge and technological expertise to Texas Tech. He holds a Ph.D. in Physics from the University of Glasgow, with extensive knowledge in quantum computing, artificial intelligence, blockchain, cloud computing and technology standards.

Before joining Texas Tech, Dr. Zhou served as Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer at The New School in New York City. Prior to his position at The New School, Dr. Zhou played a critical role in leading Watson Education from a start-up to a global leader of artificial intelligence in education. To learn more about his experience, read Dr. Zhou's biography [here](#).

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Zhou to the Red Raider family. Our appreciation to Dr. Brian Still, vice provost for Texas Tech Online, who led the search.



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