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From the Dean

Seth Beckman
Dear Friends,

Welcome to our latest edition of TEMPO. Since my arrival on campus in 2014, it has been both an honor and privilege to get to know many of you.

It is an exciting time here in our school, as students and faculty are working hard, accomplishing amazing acts of creative and scholarly achievement within a learning environment that is both challenging and supportive. Aided by a hard-working, dedicated staff of professionals, our students excel in their degree studies with us and as they prepare for their pursuit of a variety of career opportunities. Our students have great role models in our alumni: highly successful professionals who have chosen careers throughout the varied disciplines of music, as well as in business, medicine, and elsewhere. Included in these pages, you will find an array of specific examples of how our musical community makes a difference—daily. Inside these pages, you will also learn of community engagement and expansion of opportunities: partnerships here on campus, as well as in greater Pittsburgh, Western Pennsylvania, the nation, and beyond. We’re expanding the breadth of musical offerings available here on our campus and to our entire community (to degree-seeking students and others).

Please do not hesitate to reach out and say ‘hello’ to me. I would welcome hearing from you. And, if you have not visited campus recently, I hope you will plan a visit to see us soon. My colleagues and I would love to welcome you back to YOUR school.

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