

Kim Fitzhugh

Kim F. joined the GPO in late 2024, following the retirement of Fay Miller, who had served as the GPO Finance Manager for over a decade. Kim is no stranger to many in the School of Medicine, as she came to us from her prior role as the Graduate Program Manager in Biomedical Engineering. She sees her role as partner to the many teams who help support our students, and while she misses the student contact, she has found plenty of smart, funny, warm-hearted people to work with in SoM. Kim loves animals almost as much as she does people. Her father dropped off an older kitten he had found left in an apartment and she is now taking adoption applications for the two beautiful Tuxedo Twins - Number One and Wrong Way- whom she spent 13 hours helping deliver. She is happy to share pictures with all who ask- and a few who didn't.

Recognizing that the job of GPO Finance Manager had gotten too big with the expansion of our programs, the GPO reorganization yielded a more focused role as Student Funding Manager. With the move to this position, Kim inherited responsibility for ensuring that ~400 trainees across our programs receive their financial support accurately and on time. This is quite a task, given that each trainee has a unique funding package dependent on the source(s) of support and characteristics of the trainee. To achieve this lofty goal, Kim manages the fiscal team within the office, coordinating their efforts to achieve a near 100% success rate while providing strong financial stewardship of over \$10 million dollars in student funding and non-payroll programmatic support.

