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WSU Foundation announces staff changes

The Wichita State University Foundation has named Kara Johnson director of special events and announced that Stacie Williamson, former director of special events, has accepted a position as leadership annual giving officer for the Foundation.

In her new role, Williamson will be a fundraiser for mid-level gifts to Wichita State University. She was director of special events for the WSU Foundation the past four years. A Wichita native, Williamson is a 2005 graduate of WSU with a Bachelor of Business Administration, emphasis in marketing.

“While I thoroughly enjoyed planning the Foundation’s special events, I look forward to building upon the relationships I have developed with many of our donors in a new capacity,” Williamson said. “We are fortunate to work with so many selfless, giving individuals. Their passion for supporting the education of others inspires me on a daily basis.”

Johnson most recently was associate director of new student orientation at Friends University. She also has been an adjunct instructor at Southwestern College, where she earned a master’s degree in leadership in 2012. Johnson received her bachelor’s degree in general studies from WSU in 2006.

“My passion for higher education, event planning and building lasting relationships have led me to a wonderful opportunity with the WSU Foundation,” Johnson said. “I feel truly blessed to be part of a robust, steadfast and gracious team. I look forward to contributing to the success of the Foundation.”

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Media note: Photos of Stacie Williamson and Kara Johnson can be found at <http://wichita.edu/foundationphotos>.

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