## Office of Educational Technology Renamed Office of Digital Learning

In recognition of the increasing scope of digital learning, the Office of Educational Technology has been renamed the Office of Digital Learning, effective July 1, 2017.

The Office of Digital Learning's mission is to extend the reach of health knowledge through digital design - spatially, cognitively, and affectively. Its works will cover the following three areas: 1) digital learning solutions; 2) online course design, development, and delivery; and 3) faculty digital teaching capacity building.

The renaming speaks to the critical importance of informed integration of digital technology and design in health care education. By renaming the Office of Educational Technology to the Office of Digital Learning, we divert our focus from technology to learning. This changes the question from what technologies are available to how to utilize established and emerging technologies to augment impacts of learning in varied teaching contexts. The name of Office of Digital Learning accurately represents the ultimate purpose of all digital technologies and design—to enhance the learning experience and learning outcomes—and reflects the increasingly intertwined nature of technology and learning.

With respect to Morehouse School of Medicine's mission of leading the creation and advancement of health equity, we are dedicated to exploring and delivering preeminent digital learning experiences and online courses to our learners on campus and worldwide. Previously, under the name of Office of Educational Technology, we have been working closely with faculty and students, structuring digital learning platforms and developing new modes of teaching.

Faculty at Morehouse School of Medicine can find:

- 1) Digital teaching technology solutions, orientation, and support;
- 2) Training opportunities about digital teaching strategies, pedagogies, and best practices;
- 3) Design, development, and delivery support for online course materials, whether in fully online courses, hybrid delivery courses, or the targeted enhancement of oncampus instruction;
- 4) The collaborative process of transforming a health care training curriculum online.

We look forward to continuing our commitment and excellence under the signature of the Office of Digital Learning.