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THE No. 2 man at Singapore's second medical school, the Duke-National University of Singapore (Duke-NUS) Graduate Medical School, has taken over the helm as dean.

Dr Ranga Krishnan, till now the school's executive vice-dean, succeeded founding dean Sanders Williams on Tuesday.

Dr Williams will focus on his role as senior vice-chancellor for academic affairs at the Duke University School of Medicine back in North Carolina in the United States.

He will, however, continue to co-chair the Duke-NUS school's academic and research committee and serve as a member on its governing board.

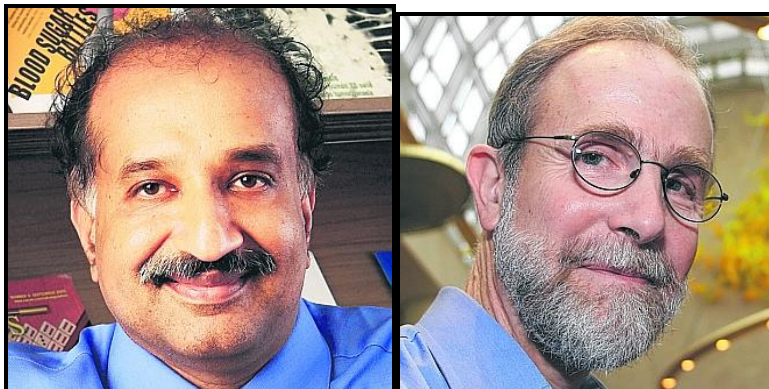
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The Duke-NUS school took in its pioneering batch of students last August, all of whom already had a basic degree.

The school puts a special focus on research, and its students have the option of working towards medical and doctoral degrees.

Dr Krishnan said he hoped that, under his watch, Duke-NUS would become a model for other medical schools.



**LEADERSHIP CHANGE:** Dr Ranga Krishnan (above left), formerly the school's executive vice-dean, succeeds founding dean Sanders Williams (right). (Photo: Duke-NUS and ST)

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A NEW dean has been named for the Duke-National University of Singapore Graduate Medical School (Duke-NUS).

Ranga Krishnan, now executive vice-dean, will succeed R Sanders Williams as dean.

'I am honoured to accept the position,' said Dr Krishnan. 'I believe the school has the potential to become the pre-eminent leader in the region for the training of physician-scientists and the conduct of significant clinical and basic research.' He will continue to hold the chair of psychiatry at Duke University School of Medicine.

'Dr Krishnan has done an outstanding job over the past year as executive vice-dean and I believe he is the ideal person to guide Duke-NUS through its formative years and beyond,' said Tony Chew, chairman of the Duke-NUS governing board. Dr Williams has been dean for several years, leading up to the first class of students in August last year and through the first academic year.

'NUS would like to thank Dr Williams for his invaluable contributions in helming Duke-NUS during its formative years,' said NUS president Shih Choon Fong. 'Building on the strong foundations laid by Dr Williams, we are confident that Dr Krishnan will lead Duke-NUS to another level of excellence that will strengthen Singapore's standing as a hub for medical education and research and healthcare.'

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