



New AVP, Faculty Members Announced

Camarillo, Calif., August 18, 2005 - California State University Channel Islands announces the hiring of Philip McGough as the new associate vice president for Faculty Affairs and 12 new tenure track faculty members, four of whom have worked previously as lecturers at the University.

"We're very pleased with these appointments," said Richard R. Rush, CSUCI president. "Dr. McGough has a distinguished record both as a faculty member and as a university administrator. Our new faculty members bring a high caliber of professionalism to our campus. Each of them has an extensive background in their specific academic areas as well as experience in working in a collaborative environment. They will all complement the University's interdisciplinary approach."

McGough, who has an MBA, Ph.D., and J.D. from the University of California at Berkeley, will oversee faculty recruitment, hiring, retention, tenure, and promotions processes, as well as address faculty issues, concerns, personnel policy, and other administrative matters. Before coming to CSUCI, McGough was a professor in the School of Business and Economics at Sonoma State University for 17 years. Prior to that, he had taught at the University of San Francisco and had served as assistant dean for Academic Affairs at the Haas School of Business at UC, Berkeley.

The new faculty members are Damon Aiken, Ph.D., assistant professor of marketing, previously employed at Pepperdine University; Sean Anderson, Ph.D., assistant professor of environmental science and resource management, previously employed at Stanford University; Manuel Correia, Ph.D., assistant professor of education, previously employed at the San Francisco Unified School District; Elizabeth Hartung, Ph.D., professor of sociology, previously employed at California State University Fresno; Tiina Itkonen, Ph.D., assistant professor of education-special education, previously employed at the University of California Santa Barbara; Bradley Monsma, Ph.D., professor of English, previously employed at Woodbury University; Gregory Wood, Ph.D., assistant professor of physics, previously employed at California State University Northridge; and Cynthia Wyels, Ph.D., associate professor, mathematics, previously employed at California Lutheran University.

Faculty members who were previously employed at CSUCI are: Andrzej Bieszczad, Ph.D., assistant professor of computer science; Blake Gillespie, Ph.D., assistant professor, biochemistry; Kimmy Kee-Rose, Ph.D., associate professor of psychology; and Bob Mayberry, Ph.D., associate professor of English.

McGough and new faculty members begin their duties this fall, according to Ted Lucas, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs. "We have an exceptional associate vice president for Faculty Affairs," Lucas said. "Dr. McGough has an extensive academic,

administrative, and legal background. We're very fortunate to have a person with this depth of experience.

"And we're very excited about each and every one of the new professors joining our University," Lucas said. "They all have been through a rigorous selection process that focuses on compatibility with our mission as a student-learning centered University. And I am certain that each shares in the excitement of building a new kind of University for this region."