



CSUCI Announces New Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Camarillo, Calif., April 17, 2008-California State University Channel Islands President Richard R. Rush announced the appointment of Dawn S. Neuman as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Neuman will assume her duties on July 14. She succeeds Theodore Lucas who will take on liaison responsibilities with the statewide Community Colleges for the CSU Chancellor's Office.

Neuman has served as Vice Provost for Academic Resources at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) for the past four years. In addition, Neuman has served UNLV for more than 15 years in various roles including Co-Officer in Charge for the Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost; Vice Provost for Educational Outreach; as well as Chair and Professor of Biological Sciences.

"Dawn shares our same passion for our mission and values of inclusiveness and transparency in bringing people together to address the needs of students," said University President Richard R. Rush. "Dawn demonstrated a tremendous knowledge of our campus and will be a valuable asset as we continue to lead the University forward and meet the academic needs of this region."

In her new role as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Neuman will provide leadership for the academic path of the University; direct and coordinate all aspects of academic programs; participate in strategic University planning; and provide constructive assessment towards continual improvement. Neuman will also be responsible for effective use of fiscal resources, and will play a strong role in garnering support for academic programs through development and advancement activities.

"I am thrilled to join such an innovative university as a member of President Rush's leadership team," said Neuman. "It's a beautiful campus with dedicated staff and faculty with exciting ideas. I'm truly looking forward to helping CSUCI advance its ambitious plans."

Neuman holds a Ph.D. in Biology from the University of Washington, Seattle; and earned bachelor and master of science degrees in Biology/Botany from California State University, Long Beach.

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CSUCI Mission Statement

Placing students at the center of the educational experience, California State University Channel Islands provides undergraduate and graduate education that facilitates learning within and across disciplines through integrative approaches, emphasizes experiential and service learning, and graduates students with multicultural and international perspectives.