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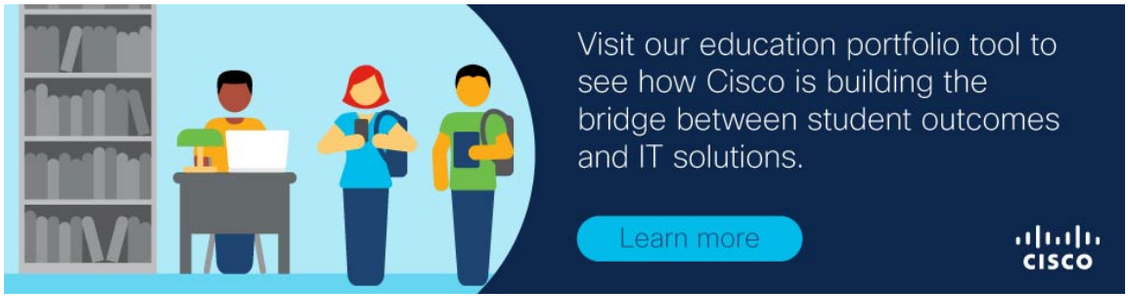

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Transitions: California State University System Names New Chancellor

Appointments, resignations, retirements, awards, deaths

By Julia Piper | OCTOBER 9, 2020

Joseph I. Castro has been named chancellor of the California State U. system.

CHIEF EXECUTIVES

Appointments

Michael T. Benson, a visiting professor in the department of history of science and technology at the Johns Hopkins University and a former president of Eastern Kentucky University, will become president of Coastal Carolina University on January 2.

Joseph I. Castro, president of California State University at Fresno, has been named chancellor of the California State University system. He will succeed Timothy P. White, who plans to retire, and will become the first California native and Mexican American to serve as chancellor.

Sharon B. Clay, director of school and community partnerships for Junior Achievement of Central Carolinas, has been named the first campus president of St. Andrews University at Charlotte, a branch of Webber International University.

James W. Crawford III, a retired admiral and a former judge advocate general in the U.S. Navy, has been named interim president of Felician University.

Margo DelliCarpini, vice provost for strategic educational partnerships and dean of the College of Education and Human Development at the University of Texas at San Antonio, will become chancellor of Pennsylvania State University at Abington on January 4.

Michele Shirley, vice president for administrative services at North Georgia Technical College, has been named interim president following Mark Ivester's death.

Minh-Hoa Ta, dean of business and work-force development at San Jose City College and a former vice president for student services at Ohlone College, has been named president of the University of the West.

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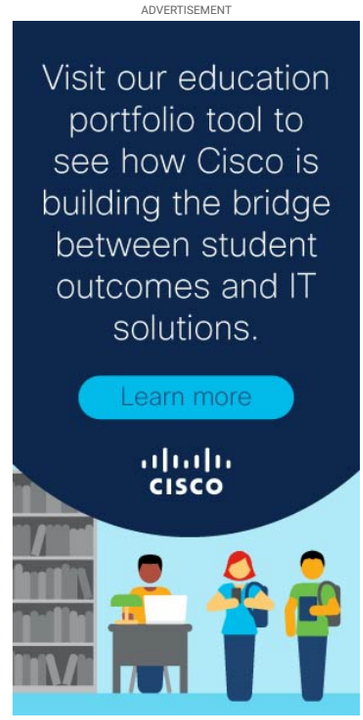

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Resignations

The Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, president of the College of the Holy Cross, plans to step down in June 2021.

Ronald A. Crutcher, president of the University of Richmond since 2015, plans to step down in 2022.

Jay Golden, president of Wichita State University since January, has resigned after less than a year in office.

Mary B. Marcy, president of Dominican University of California since 2011, plans to step down next year.

John Thrasher, president of Florida State University since 2014, plans to step down.

Retirements

Roger N. Casey, president of McDaniel College since 2010, plans to retire in June 2021.

Bruce Harreld, president of the University of Iowa since 2015, plans to retire.

Carol A. Taylor, president of Evangel University, in Missouri, since 2013, will retire on November 25.

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CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICERS

Appointments

DoVeanna Fulton, dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences and a professor of history, humanities, and languages at the University of Houston-Downtown, has been named provost and vice president for academic affairs at Norfolk State University.

Fotis Sotiropoulos, dean of the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences at Stony Brook University (SUNY), has been named interim provost.

Keith M. Williamson, dean of the School of Business and Technology at Fitchburg State University, has been named vice president for academic affairs at the Maine Maritime Academy.

OTHER TOP ADMINISTRATORS

Appointments

Angela Abraham, an assistant clinical professor at the New England College of Optometry, has been named its first diversity and inclusion liaison.

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Angela Abraham

Tanika Busch, interim vice chancellor for finance and administration and chief financial officer at the University of Missouri at St. Louis, has been named to the post permanently.

Gregory L. Cascione, a former vice president for university advancement at the University of Detroit Mercy, has been named special assistant to the president for development and alumni relations at Lawrence Technological University.

Charles Cotton III, senior director of admissions at Alma College, has been named vice president for enrollment management at Clarke University.

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Jill D. Friedman, vice chancellor for public affairs at Washington University in St. Louis, has been named vice president for marketing and communications at Clark University.

Anne Garcia, interim senior vice president and general counsel in the Office of Legal Affairs at Ohio State University since November 2019, has been named to the post permanently.

Anand Padmanabhan, chief technology officer at Whittle School & Studios, a global school for students aged 3 to 18, and former senior vice president and chief information officer at the New School, has been named vice president and chief information officer at Fordham University.

Robert Roberts, interim vice chancellor for university affairs at the University of Wisconsin at Oshkosh since January 2019, has been named to the post permanently.

Lori Weaver, vice president for major gifts and campaign operations at Bethany College, in West Virginia, has been named vice president for advancement.

DEANS

Appointments

Carmen Aguilar, dean of the Center for Workforce and Community Education at Bristol Community College, has been named dean of the School of Continuing Education at Providence College.

Maria Aristigueta, director of the Joseph R. Biden Jr. School of Public Policy and Administration at the University of Delaware, has been named its first dean.

Gioia Bales, senior associate dean of the Frank G. Zarb School of Business at Hofstra University, has been named dean of the School of Business at Molloy College.

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Michael Chajes, director of the Honors Program at the University of Delaware, has been named first dean of the Honors College.

Prabhudev Konana, associate dean of instructional innovation and a professor in the McCombs School of Business at the University of Texas at Austin, will become dean of the Robert H. Smith School of Business at the University of Maryland at College Park on January 2.

James Konopack, associate dean in the School of Business at New Jersey City University, has been named dean of the College of Health Sciences, Education, and Rehabilitation at Salus University.

Jim Konopack

Karen Kopera-Frye, a professor in public-health sciences at New Mexico State University, has been named dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Hawaii at Hilo.

Kenneth Randall, founder of iLaw Distance Education and a former dean of the School of Law at the University of Alabama, will become dean of the Antonin Scalia Law School at George Mason University on December 1.

Louis Rossi, chair of the department of mathematical sciences at the University of Delaware, has been named dean of the Graduate College and vice provost for graduate and professional education.

Dee Schilling, interim dean of the College of Health Sciences at the Western University of Health Sciences, has been named to the post permanently.

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Donald Simpson, a former director of the master's program in medical science at Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, in Florida, has been named dean of the University of Louisiana at Monroe's College of Health Sciences.

Suzanne Tilleman, interim dean of the College of Business at the University of Montana since May 2019, has been named to the post permanently.

Yong (Tai) Wang, dean of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences at the University of Texas at Tyler, will become dean of the College of Health Sciences and Technology at the Rochester Institute of Technology in January.

Resignations

Michael Lairmore, dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of California at Davis, plans to step down in June.

Linda D. Norman, dean of the School of Nursing at Vanderbilt University, will step down in June 2021.

Retirements

Leslie Kirwan, dean of administration and finance for the Faculty of Arts and

Sciences at Harvard University, will retire this spring.

OTHER ADMINISTRATORS

Appointments

Tim Edelen, an advancement-services coordinator in the School of Law at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, has been named assistant director of annual giving and donor relations in the university libraries.

Steve Farmer, vice provost for enrollment and undergraduate admissions at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, will leave at the end of the semester to become vice provost for enrollment at the University of Virginia.

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Amy Folan, executive senior associate athletics director at the University of Texas at Austin, has been named associate vice president and director of athletics at Central Michigan University.

Adriana Gonzalez, an associate professor and head of the department of academic services at Kansas State University, has been named associate dean of research and learning in the university libraries at the University of Arkansas.

Parneshia Jones, editorial director for trade and engagement at the Northwestern University Press, has been named director. She is only the second Black woman to lead a university press in the United States.

Shawntae Jones, a former professional-development chair of the Hallmark African American Leadership Council at Hallmark Cards, has been named director of diverse talent and inclusion at the Kansas City Art Institute.

John Leonard, a professor of hematology and medical oncology at Weill Cornell Medicine, has been named senior associate dean of innovation and initiatives.

Peggy A. McCready

Peggy A. McCready, associate vice president for IT services and support at Northwestern University, has been named associate vice provost for technology and digital initiatives at the University of Pennsylvania Libraries.

L. Angie Ohler, director of collection services at the University of Maryland Libraries, has been named associate dean of content and digital-initiatives learning in the university libraries at the University of Arkansas.

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Sean Quimby, director of the Rare Book & Manuscript Library at Columbia University, has been named associate university librarian and director of the Jay I. Kislak Center for Special Collections, Rare Books, and Manuscripts at the University of Pennsylvania Libraries.

FACULTY

Appointments

Claudia Rankine, a poet who won the National Book Critics Circle Award in Poetry in 2014 and received a MacArthur Grant in 2016, will become a professor of creative writing at New York University next summer.

Kendra Scott, founder and CEO of Kendra Scott LLC, will co-teach Women in Entrepreneurship in a new faculty appointment as a professor of practice in the College of Fine Arts at the University of Texas at Austin.

NOBEL PRIZES

The Nobel Assembly has begun announcing the recipients of the 2020 awards. Future awards will appear here as they are announced.

Harvey J. Alter, a researcher at the National Institutes of Health; **Michael Houghton,** a professor in the department of medical microbiology and immunology at the University of Alberta; and **Charles M. Rice,** a professor of virology at Rockefeller University, have received the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine "for the discovery of Hepatitis C virus."

Emmanuelle Charpentier, scientific and managing director of the Max Planck Unit for the Science of Pathogens in Berlin, and **Jennifer A. Doudna,** a professor of biochemistry, biophysics, and structural biology at the University of California at Berkeley, have received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry "for the development of a method for genome editing."

Roger Penrose, a professor emeritus of mathematical physics at the University of Oxford, in the United Kingdom, has received the Nobel Prize in Physics "for the discovery that black hole formation is a robust prediction of the general theory of relativity"; **Reinhard Genzel,** a professor emeritus of physics and of astronomy at the University of California at Berkeley, and **Andrea Ghez,** a professor of astrophysics at the University of California at Los Angeles, have received the Nobel Prize in Physics "for the discovery of a supermassive compact object at the centre of our galaxy."

ORGANIZATIONS

Appointments

Reza Fakhari, vice president for internationalization and strategic initiatives at St. Francis College, in New York, has been named chair of the Board of Directors of Amnesty International USA.

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Michael Goldsten, founder and senior counsel of the higher-education practice at Cooley LLP, has been named managing director of the new Center for Higher Education Transformation at Tyton Partners.

DEATHS

Stephen F. Cohen, a historian and professor emeritus of Russian studies at Princeton University and New York University, died on September 18. He was 81.

William H. Danforth, chancellor emeritus of Washington University in St. Louis, died on September 16. He was 94. Danforth was chancellor from 1971 to 1995, when he retired and became chairman of the Board of Trustees. He joined the university's School of Medicine faculty in 1957 and later became vice chancellor for medical affairs and president of the Washington University Medical Center.

Arthur A. Dugoni, dean of the School of Dentistry at University of the Pacific from 1978 to 2006, died on September 23. He was 95. The school was renamed the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry in his honor in 2004, while he was still dean.

Martin Johnson, dean of the Manship School of Mass Communication at Louisiana State University, has died. He was 50.

Sally Engle Merry, a professor of anthropology at New York University and winner of the 2019 Franz Boas Award from the American Anthropological Association, died of lung cancer on September 8. She was 75.

Geoffrey Nunberg, a linguist and professor in the School of Information at the University of California at Berkeley who was a regular commentator on NPR's Fresh Air, died on August 11. He was 75. Nunberg began teaching at the University of Rome, and later at the University of California at Los Angeles and Stanford University.

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By Julia Piper

Ronald Berry, business dean at the University of Louisiana at Monroe, has been named president of the university.

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Transitions: U. of Nevada at Las Vegas Names First Black President

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