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## Announcement

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To: faculty &lt;faculty@cnu.edu&gt;, employees &lt;employees@cnu.edu&gt;

I am pleased to report that Dr. David Doughty has agreed to serve as Interim Provost, effective Monday, July 15, 2013. Dave came to CNU in 1984 after finishing his Ph.D. in particle physics at the University of Pennsylvania. While establishing himself as an enthusiastic and engaging teacher, he also developed a flourishing research program at Jefferson Lab, involving many CNU students in his work. He has authored or co-authored over 100 papers, given talks around the world, and has received NSF grants totaling over \$1,700,000.

While working his way through the academic ranks at CNU, he served on numerous committees, most notably the PRC, FRC and the Faculty Senate. In 2005, he became chair of the Department of Physics, Computer Science and Engineering, and in 2009 was named founding Dean of the newly created College of Natural and Behavioral Sciences. As Dean, Dave has been instrumental in developing new majors in Biochemistry, Computational and Applied Mathematics, Molecular Biology and Neuroscience, and in boosting the number of science majors.

Dr. Doughty will serve in this capacity as we conduct a national search to fill this important position.

I am also pleased to report that Dr. Nicole Guajardo has agreed to serve as Interim Dean of the College of Natural and Behavioral Sciences. Nicole graduated summa cum laude from Wake Forest University as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She earned her MA in General Experimental Psychology from Wake Forest University and her Ph.D. in Lifespan Developmental Psychology from West Virginia University.

Nicole joined the Department of Psychology at CNU in January 2004. Since arriving at CNU, she has engaged in University service continuously. Nicole served on the Faculty Senate for four years, including three years on the Senate Executive Committee and two years as Vice President. She served as Chair of the Department of Psychology for one year. She also has served on the Undergraduate Research Council, Undergraduate Degrees Committee, Academic Status Committee, and on the 2005 and 2010 Retention Planning Teams. In

2008, she chaired the inaugural search for the Dean of Natural and Behavioral Sciences. For the past three years, Nicole has led CNU's student success efforts as the Executive Assistant to the President for Student Success. In this role, she has developed and managed the Core Advising Program and worked collaboratively with faculty and staff to create learning communities for all first-year students, revitalize our institutional referral process, and enhance the Center for Academic Success to support our students' academic and personal achievement. As a result of these efforts, our retention and graduation rates continue to rise.

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