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UW Colleges announces new regional leaders

MADISON – Cathy Sandeen, Chancellor of University of Wisconsin Colleges and University of Wisconsin-Extension, named four individuals today to the newly created positions of Regional Executive Officers/Deans for the UW Colleges.

- **Keith Montgomery, North Region:** UW-Barron County (Rice Lake), UW-Marathon County (Wausau), UW-Marshfield/Wood County, and UW-Marinette
 - Montgomery is the current Campus Executive Officer/Dean at UW-Marathon County and interim Campus Executive Officer/Dean at UW-Marshfield/Wood County. He was a professor of geography/geology at UW-Marathon County from 1991 to 2011. He earned a doctorate degree and master's degree in geography at the University of Waterloo, Ontario, and his undergraduate degree in geography at the University of Glasgow, Scotland.
- **Martin Rudd, Northeast Region:** UW-Fond du Lac, UW-Fox Valley (Menasha), and UW-Manitowoc
 - Rudd is the current Campus Executive Officer/Dean at UW-Fox Valley. He previously served as interim Campus Executive Officer/Dean at UW-Manitowoc and as Associate Campus Dean for Academic Affairs at UW-Fox Valley. He is a Professor of chemistry at UW-Fox Valley. He received a doctorate degree in inorganic chemistry and a bachelor's degree from University of Warwick, Coventry, England.
- **Jacquelyn Joseph-Silverstein, Southeast Region:** UW-Sheboygan, UW-Washington County (West Bend), and UW-Waukesha
 - Joseph-Silverstein is the current Campus Executive Officer/Dean at UW-Sheboygan. She previously served as Director of Research Administration at the BloodCenter of Wisconsin and as Executive Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs at Cuyahoga Community College in Cleveland, and Associate Vice Chancellor at the University of Connecticut. She earned a Ph.D. degree at City University of New York, a master's degree at Emory University, and bachelor's degree at University of Connecticut, all in biological sciences.
- **Charles Clark, Southwest Region:** UW-Baraboo/Sauk County, UW-Richland (Richland Center), and UW-Rock County (Janesville)
 - Clark is the current Campus Executive Officer/Dean at UW-Manitowoc. He previously served as Associate Dean of the College of Letters and Science at UW-

Stevens Point and Executive Assistant to the Chancellor and Provost. Clark earned a doctorate in history at the University of Illinois at Urbana, his master's degree in Soviet and East European Studies at University of Kansas, and his bachelor's degree in history at Moorhead State University.

Under the new administrative model announced in July, the 13 UW Colleges will be grouped into four regions, with one Executive Officer/Dean per region. Among their responsibilities, the Regional Executive Officer/Deans will provide academic and strategic leadership to the campuses in the region, and work collaboratively with faculty and staff members, and students to establish policies and practices that ensure regional and campus success.

"These individuals are impressive, experienced educational leaders who have proven, positive results in serving their students and communities," said Chancellor Sandeen. "As the UW Colleges undergo these dramatic but necessary changes, I am confident these leaders understand what it takes for their campuses to succeed, and how important that success is for students, their regions, and the state."

Regional Executive Officers/Deans will be expected to continue to develop and maintain strong and productive relationships with local government, business and community leaders within their respective regions.

"The key to the UW Colleges' success, both historically and today, is the deeply-rooted collaborative relationships we have with our local partners and communities," said UW Colleges Provost Greg Lampe. "These regional leaders will be expected to deepen and broaden these relationships, creating even more opportunities to partner and serve our communities."

The transition to Regional Executive Officers/Deans will begin immediately, with an expected completion date of mid-December. The current Campus Executive Officers/Deans will play a key role in facilitating the transition and bridging new relationships. The Campus Executive Officers/Dean positions then will be eliminated effective Dec. 31, 2015. All current Campus Executive Officers/Deans are tenured faculty members and will be deciding whether to accept teaching positions within the UW Colleges.

For more information, including transition details, see the [Regional Executive Officer/Dean Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#) and [separate regional releases](#).

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