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Chancellor announces Southeastern Regional Executive Officer/Dean

MADISON – Cathy Sandeen, Chancellor of University of Wisconsin Colleges and University of Wisconsin-Extension, named Dr. Jackie Joseph-Silverstein to the newly created position of Northeastern Regional Executive Officer/Dean. Joseph-Silverstein will oversee UW-Sheboygan, UW-Washington County, and UW-Waukesha.

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/Dean 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.

“I am honored to have been chosen to serve as Regional Executive Officer and Dean for the Southeastern Region of UW-Colleges. I am excited by the opportunities I believe we will have within our Region to leverage our individual campus’ strengths in a way that will benefit our students and our local communities across the Region. I look forward to meeting campus and community members that I don’t currently know in the Region and talking with them about their interests, passions and expectations for the future,” said Joseph-Silverstein

As Regional Executive Officer/Dean, Joseph-Silverstein will be expected to continue to develop and maintain strong and productive relationships with local government, business and community leaders within her region.

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.

"Dr. Joseph-Silverstein is an impressive, experienced educational leader who has proven, positive results in serving her students and communities," said Chancellor Sandeen. "As the UW Colleges undergo these dramatic but necessary changes, I am confident she understands what it takes for her campuses to succeed, and how important that success is for students, her region, and the state."

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 \(FAQ\)](#).

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