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News and Events

David Curtis Named as Professor on Special Assignment

This afternoon, President Elaine P. Maimon announced her decision regarding continuity of leadership in the Office of the Provost. On April 1, Dr. David Curtis will begin serving as Professor on Special Assignment to provide academic leadership for the university. Upon his retirement in June, Dr. Curtis will act as Interim Provost until a new Provost is appointed.

Dr. Maimon noted that Dr. Curtis' appointment was the result of "consultation with trustees, governance leaders, deans, and faculty members."

Dr. Curtis has a long history at GSU, starting in 1971. His prior tenure as Provost, from 1982 to 1992, will provide stability during the national search and this November's Higher Learning Commission (HLC) site visit. For thirty-three years, he has been a Higher Learning Commission peer consultant and evaluator, chairing numerous evaluation teams and acting as a consultant for many institutions.

"I look forward to working with our faculty, deans and the wonderful staff at GSU in serving the academic needs of our students and acting as a community resource," Dr. Curtis said following the announcement. "I am delighted to be returning to the Provost's Office. And I can now more clearly answer the question 'What do you plan to do when you retire?'" he added.

Over the next few weeks, President Maimon will appoint a committee to oversee a national search for a permanent Provost.

