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## **MacEwan University appoints a new provost and vice-president, Academic**

Edmonton – Dr. Deborah Saucier, president, MacEwan University, is pleased to announce that Dr. Craig Monk has been appointed provost and vice-president, Academic.

Monk joined MacEwan's academic faculty in 2013 as a professor and dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science. In 2018, he accepted the role of provost, *pro tempore* and vice-president, Academic while the university held a comprehensive search to fill the position.

"Since Craig joined MacEwan as a professor and dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science, he has played an important role in the evolution of the university," says Saucier. "He set an example for the university in many ways, including the development of administrative structures, efficient management of financial resources, furthering the institution's research agenda, and his support of faculty in their teaching, research and service."

The search for the new provost began last summer with the assistance of the firm Knightsbridge Robertson Surette (KBRS), who conducted extensive primary research and leveraged their networks of national and international partners to ensure a reach to the broadest candidate pool possible.

The first step in the search process was to survey the university community to assist in developing the position profile. A 16-member search team was formed, which included representation from faculty, staff, students, executive members and board of governors.

36 individuals expressed interest in the position. After interviews with five candidates and deliberations by the advisory committee, Monk was unanimously selected for recommendation to the university's Board of Governors who approved the appointment.

Monk holds a D. Phil. from Oxford University and an M.A. from Western University. He has been awarded research fellowships from Yale University, University of Indiana, and the University of Texas at Austin. His scholarship, dealing with topics in American literature, has been funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council. [Read Monk's full academic biography.](#)

Monk's five-year term officially commences on February 1, 2019.

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