Faculty of Nursing appoints a new Dean

Edmonton – John Corlett, Provost and Vice-president Academic at MacEwan University is pleased to announce that Dr. Vince Salyers has been appointed as the Founding Dean of the recently created Faculty of Nursing.

“Dr. Salyers is a skilled and experienced senior academic leader who will help us build upon the impressive strengths of MacEwan’s Faculty of Nursing and guide our faculty, staff, and students to a new level of provincial, national and international prominence,” said Corlett.

Salyers has held a variety of academic and administrative positions in British Columbia, Ontario and most recently at Mount Royal University in Calgary where he was the Associate Dean, Faculty of Health & Community Education. He was directly responsible for the supervision, direction, and evaluation of faculty and staff and oversaw curriculum development, research and scholarship, e-learning and external relations.

Salyers received a Master of Science in Nursing from San Francisco State University, and a doctorate (EdD) in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of San Francisco. His doctoral research focused on the effectiveness of web-enhanced instruction in teaching psychomotor nursing skills and he continues to develop his web-enhanced and e-learning research.

The new Faculty of Nursing was approved by the Board of Governors in October of 2015. The new faculty is structured into two academic departments and two centres. The two academic departments are: The Department of Nursing Science; and, The Department of Psychiatric Nursing. The two centres are: The Centre for Professional Nursing Education; and, The Clinical Simulation Centre.

MacEwan University began offering the four year Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) in 2011 and since then 1176 students have graduated from the degree program. Salyers will begin his new role at MacEwan University on August 22.

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