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Dr. Cynthia Zutter named Vice Provost

Edmonton—MacEwan University is pleased to announce that Dr. Cynthia Zutter has been named vice-provost. The vice-provost serves the academic development process and projects identified in the university’s Integrated Strategic Plan (ISP).

“Dr. Cynthia Zutter’s outstanding record of achievement at MacEwan University as a dedicated and effective teacher, successful researcher, and excellent administrator give her the key skills and broad perspective needed in this important senior role,” said John Corlett, university provost. “Cynthia has the respect of her faculty colleagues and her students, and those relationships will form the basis for her work as vice-provost.”

The vice-provost represents the provost on the university’s Research Council and works directly with the director of the Office of Research Services in initiatives related to internal and external research grant development. The position also will work closely with the executive director of MacEwan’s Institutional Analysis and Planning and the university registrar. There are also a number of important initiatives related to the student experience that the provost sponsors and that require ongoing direction and engagement.

Zutter’s academic focus has been in the field of anthropology, specifically archaeology in the northern regions of Canada and Iceland. She completed her B.A. at the University of California, Santa Barbara, and her M.A. in Anthropology at the University of Alberta. Her Ph.D. thesis was titled The Cultural Landscape of Iceland: A Millennium of Human Transformation and Environmental Change.

Zutter has previously served as director, for the university’s Faculty Commons, and chair of the Department of Anthropology, Economics and Political Science. In 2005, Zutter became the first MacEwan University faculty member to receive the prestigious Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) research grant. She received a second SSHRC research grant in 2008.

Founded in 1971, MacEwan University inspires its students with a powerful combination of academic excellence and personal learning experiences. Offering more than 65 programs including undergraduate degrees, applied degrees, diplomas, certificates, continuing education and corporate training, the university provides a transformative education in a creative, collaborative and supportive learning environment where creativity and innovation thrive. Located in Edmonton, Alberta Canada, MacEwan University offers a unique student experience that opens up diverse pathways for achievement and growth.