

MEMORANDUM

TO: University Community

FROM: Vilas A. Prabhu, Ph.D., M.B.A.
Provost and Vice President
for Academic Affairs

DATE: November 15, 2019

RE: **APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT DEAN, COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Laurie McMillan as the new Assistant Dean of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences starting January 4, 2020. Dr. McMillan comes to us from Pace University where she served as the Chair of the Department of English and Modern Language Studies. Previously, she was a faculty member, Director of Writing and English Department Chair at Marywood University.

Dr. McMillan has extensive experience in teaching writing and literature. Her scholarly work has focused on teaching writing and feminist rhetorics. Dr. McMillan led important curricular and shared governance initiatives at her prior institutions. In her administrative roles, she has experience in working with student learning outcomes assessment, accreditation, curriculum development, advising, scheduling, and student retention issues. Dr. McMillan received her B.A. in Psychology from Brandeis University and her M.A. and Ph.D. in English Literature from Duquesne University.

In her role as the Assistant Dean, Dr. McMillan will ensure effective day-to-day functioning of the College, including, but not limited to, scheduling, analyzing academic data, collaborating with the AHSS advisement center, supporting program review, overseeing student learning outcomes assessment, contributing to curriculum development and implementation, facilitating student success initiatives, enforcing academic policies and resolving student issues.

I would like to thank the Search Committee that worked diligently over the summer to identify and interview the candidates. The committee was led by Marcia Bolton and included Caleb Corkery, Nitu Bagchi, Leslie Gates, Alison Hutchinson, Jen Lefever, Donna Peters and Kyle Verbosh, with DJ Ramsay as staff support for the search.

Please join me in welcoming Dr. McMillan to our Millersville community!