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APPOINT INTERIM DEAN, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES,
URBANA

Action: Appoint Interim Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Funding: Tuition/State Appropriated Funds

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Vice President, University of Illinois recommends the appointment of Gene E. Robinson, presently Professor of Entomology, School of Integrative Biology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Director, Carl R. Woese Institute for Genomic Biology, Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, as Interim Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, effective July 24, 2020.

Dr. Robinson will be appointed Interim Dean, non-tenured, on a twelve-month service basis, on zero percent time, with an annual administrative increment of \$60,000, plus two-ninths salary annualization of \$86,663.18. He will continue to hold the position of Professor of Entomology, School of Integrative Biology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, on indefinite tenure, on an academic year service basis, on 100 percent time, at an annual salary of \$389,984.31, for a total annual salary of \$536,647.49. Dr. Robinson served as Interim Dean Designate beginning July 1, 2020, under the same salary and conditions.

Dr. Robinson will also continue to hold the ranks of Center for Advanced Studies Professor in Entomology, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, non-salaried; Swanlund Chair in Entomology, School of Integrative Biology, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, non-salaried; Professor of Political Science, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, non-salaried; Professor, Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, non-salaried; Professor, Natural History Survey, Prairie Research Institute, Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, non-salaried; Professor, Carle Illinois College of Medicine, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, non-salaried; and Professor of Computer Science, Grainger College of Engineering, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, non-salaried.

Dr. Robinson succeeds Feng Sheng Hu, who served as Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, until June 30, 2020, when Dr. Robinson became Interim Dean Designate, then Interim Dean. Dr. Hu has accepted a position at Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure* and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

This nomination is made in consultation with department leaders, members of the executive committee, faculty, and staff in the College.

The Executive Vice President and Vice President for Academic Affairs concurs.

The President of the University recommends approval.

(A biosketch follows.)

GENE E. ROBINSON

Education

Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, B.S., 1977; M.S., 1982; Ph.D., 1986

Professional and Other Experience

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1989-94, Assistant Professor of Entomology; 1994-98, Associate Professor of Entomology; 1998-date, Professor of Entomology, School of Integrative Biology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; 1999-date, Institute Affiliate and Professor, Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology, Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation; 2001-date, Professor of Political Science, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; 2004-date, Professor, Institute for Genomic Biology, Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation; 2008-date, Swanlund Chair in Entomology; 2009-date, Center for Advance Study Professor of Entomology, School of Integrative Biology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; 2011-date, Interim Director and Director, Carl R. Woese Institute for Genomic Biology, Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation