Approved by the Board of Trustees

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# APPPOINT INTERIM DEAN, COLLEGE OF FINE AND APPLIED ARTS, URBANA

**Action:** Appoint Interim Dean, College of Fine and Applied Arts

**Funding:** Tuition/State Appropriated Funds

The chancellor, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and vice president, University of Illinois System, recommends the appointment of Peter Leslie Mortensen, presently associate professor of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, as interim dean, College of Fine and Applied Arts.

Effective July 12, 2024, Dr. Mortensen will be appointed interim dean, College of Fine and Applied Arts, non-tenured, on a twelve-month service basis, on zero percent time, with a monthly administrative increment of $7,500, plus two months of summer salary. He will continue to hold the rank of associate professor of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, tenured, on an academic year service basis, 100 percent time, with an annual base salary of $135,518, and director for the Center for Writing Studies program, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, zero percent time, non-salaried.

Dr. Mortensen served as interim dean designate in the College of Fine and Applied Arts from May 17, 2024, through July 11, 2024, under the same conditions and salary arrangement. Dr. Mortensen succeeds Kevin Hamilton, who served as dean, College of Fine and Applied Arts, until May 15, 2024, and who has returned to the faculty and serves as associate vice chancellor for research and innovation.

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 of Illinois System recommends approval.

(A biographical sketch follows.)

PETER LESLIE MORTENSEN

Education

University of California-San Diego, BA, 1983; PhD, 1989

Professional and Other Experience

University of Kentucky, Lexington, 1989-95, assistant professor, Department of English; 1995-99, associate professor, Department of English

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1999-date, associate professor, Department of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; 2010-14, associate provost for academic affairs, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost; 2014-17, director, School of Architecture, College of Fine and Applied Arts; 2017-18, interim dean, College of Fine and Applied Arts; 2021-date, director, Center for Writing Studies, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences