

# NEWS

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Financial Aid and Placement Counselors William L. Smith of Shelton and Gail E. Martin of Olympia have been promoted to Director of Financial Aid and Coordinator of Placement, respectively, at The Evergreen State College, it was announced today by Larry Stenberg, Dean of Student Development Programs,

Smith and Mrs. Martin will assume their new positions immediately, replacing Lester W. Eldridge who held both posts prior to recently becoming Assistant to the President at Evergreen.

As Director of Financial Aid, Smith, a native of Shelton, will supervise the award of all federal, state, and college student aid funds; direct acquisition of and reporting on the funds; and supervise counseling efforts regarding the use of aid funds, including student personal money management.

Mrs. Martin will supervise the activities of the College Career Placement Office, including follow-up and evaluation work for all graduates, development of job opportunities for Evergreen seniors, and counseling and instructing seniors in job search techniques.

In announcing the new assignments, Stenberg said, "Both Smith and Mrs. Martin have proven their ability to take on increasing responsibility and have done excellent jobs here working with students, faculty, and staff."

Smith, a 1963 graduate of Shelton High School, received his bachelor of arts degree in sociology from St. Martin's College in 1960 and did graduate studies in sociology at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma.

He was an officer and counselor at Washington Corrections Center at Shelton from 1969 to 1971 and for the next year served as a guidance counselor for the Hood Canal School District in Mason County. He joined Evergreen as a financial aid and placement counselor in

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Smith is a member and Chairman of the Skokomish Indian Tribal Council, Chairman of the Economic Development Committee of the Skokomish Indian Reservation, and a member of the Board of Directors of Small Tribes Organization of Western Washington (STOWW).

Mrs. Martin received a bachelor's degree in English Education from Central Washington State College in 1965 and a master's degree in English from Washington State University in 1969.

She taught at Port Angeles High School for one year, was a lecturer in English at Central Washington State College for a year, served as a teacher at the Yakima Indian Reservation, and was a teaching assistant at Washington State University from 1965 to 1967.

After serving as Secretary/Coordinator for WSU's High School Equivalency Program for a year, she became an instructor at Centralia College in 1970. She joined Evergreen in 1971 as a member of the faculty in the Learning Resources Center and for the last year has been a **Financial Aid and Placement Counselor,**

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