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Alfred M. Wiedemann, an Assistant Professor of Range Management at Oregon State University, has accepted appointment as an Assistant Professor of Biology at The Evergreen State College at Olympia, effective September 1, 1970.

Wiedemann, 38, will serve as a member of the new college's planning faculty in the year prior to opening of classes in September, 1971, then will assume teaching duties.

"Dr. Wiedemann comes to us with extensive experience in ecological and environmental studies," according to David G. Barry, Evergreen Vice President and Provost. "For some months the college will not have a science building and will depend considerably on the utilization of the natural environment of the campus and the Olympia region as a base for field studies that will substitute in part for laboratory teaching. We expect Dr. Wiedemann to make a substantial contribution to this program."

After attending the University of Illinois for a year, Wiedemann transferred to Utah State University in 1957. He received a bachelor of science degree in Crop Science in 1960 and a master's in Agronomy in 1962. He studied Plant Physiology at North Dakota State University from 1961 to 1963, then transferred to Oregon State University, where he received his doctorate in Botany in 1966.

He was a graduate teaching assistant at North Dakota State University in 1962-63, a teaching assistant at Oregon State University in 1965 and Assistant Professor of Plant Ecology at the University of Oregon during the summer of 1965. He joined the faculty at Oregon State University as an Assistant Professor of Botany in 1965, remaining there until April, 1967.

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Wiedeman spent a year at the University of Malaya at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia as a Lecturer in Plant Ecology under a Fulbright-Hays Cultural Exchange Scholarship. In 1968 he served briefly as a visiting lecturer at Bandung Institute of Technology, Bandung, Indonesia, under sponsorship of the State Department's Intercountry Exchange Program. He was a visiting National Science Foundation research scientist for the Commonwealth Scientific, Industrial and Research Council's Division of Land Research at Canberra, Australia in 1968 and 1969. And, from June, 1969 to February, 1970, Wiedemann was a high school science teacher at Geelong, Australia, near Melbourne. He returned to Oregon State University earlier this year.

In 1966, Wiedemann was one of 47 faculty members at Oregon State University to receive \$1,000 Merit Awards from the Oregon System of Higher Education for excellence in teaching.

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