

# NEWS

The Evergreen State College

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An administrative shift at The Evergreen State College was announced today by President Charles J. McCann with the appointment of Academic Dean Edward J. Kormondy as Provost.

Kormondy, 46, will become Evergreen's chief academic officer, replacing David G. Barry, who has carried the joint responsibilities of Vice President and Provost since joining the college staff in May, 1969. Barry remains as Vice President and will be the president's representative in off-campus relationships to educational, governmental, legislative, and community groups.

Both new assignments are effective immediately.

"The demands on the president's office for increased participation in off-campus activities--very necessary ones if Evergreen is to remain, as it must, flexibly responsive to the public--have grown into a full-time job," McCann said. "This happens, however, at a critical time in Evergreen's formative years when I must be directly and immediately accessible to students, faculty, and staff. Barry has a strong teaching, administrative, and research background. As a member of a nationwide team that helped formulate the college's academic program and as one of our first staff members, he is uniquely qualified to represent the president's office in a wide and important range of off-campus affairs,"

"At the same time," McCann added, "the Provost's job becomes more critical as short range program development and long term planning, needs for on-campus coordination, and academic coordination with other state institutions and agencies all intensify. Kormondy has an excellent record of scholarly teaching and academic administration and is a person with the elasticity, the patience, and the determination to help keep Evergreen on the course we have set."

Dick Nichols, Director  
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Kormondy came to Evergreen in September, 1971 as a Member of the Faculty. He served as coordinator of the Political Ecology Coordinated Studies Program during the 1971-72 academic year, then accepted an interim appointment as an Academic Dean.

He chaired the Commission on Undergraduate Education in the Biological Sciences and was Director of the Office of Biological Education of the American Institute of Biological Sciences from 1968 to 1971. Prior to that, Kormondy had been an instructor at the University of Michigan, the University of Pittsburgh, and Oberlin College. He served as acting associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Oberlin in 1966 and 1967.

Kormondy received a bachelor's degree in biology from Tusculum College in 1950, a master's degree in biology from the University of Michigan in 1951, and a doctorate in zoology from Michigan in 1955. His studies, evidenced by articles and several books, have centered upon various aspects of ecology.

Barry, 51, was Dean of the School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics and Interim Executive Vice President at San Jose State College before joining Evergreen in 1969. Prior to that he had been an instructor and Chairman of the Department of Biological Sciences at Kansas State College, a consultant in the sciences for the president of State University of New York, and Associate Director of CUEBS.

He received his bachelor's degree in biology at the University of Northern Iowa in 1946, and his master's and doctorate in biology at the State University of Iowa in 1946 and 1952, respectively.

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