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Donald G. Humphrey, newly-appointed Dean of the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics for The Evergreen State College at Olympia, will assume his duties April 1 rather than in mid-June as announced previously.

Humphrey, currently Assistant Dean of Faculty and Professor of Biology at Oregon State University, will continue to assist with Evergreen's faculty recruiting and academic and facilities planning programs on a part-time basis until April, according to David G. Barry, Vice President and Provost.

"Dean Humphrey's early availability has a number of advantages," Barry said.

"It will allow him to devote not only full attention to the first phase of our natural sciences building--scheduled for construction next fall--but to help with pre-planning for the second stage--which we hope to build during the 1971-73 biennium. His knowledge of the kinds of science facilities required for contemporary patterns of undergraduate learning will assure us the best possible utilization of available funds in this important project."

"In addition, he will be able to intensify his recruiting and academic planning efforts," Barry said. "He also will have more time in which to develop close ties with state leaders and educators for joint planning of marine biology and environmental programs."

Humphrey, 42, is one of three academic deans recently appointed at The Evergreen State College. The others--Mervyn Cadwallader, Dean of the Division of Social Sciences, and Charles Teske, Dean of the Division of Humanities and Arts--will join the new college's staff next June.

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