Dr. Judd Case Named Dean of the College of Science, Health & Engineering

Dr. Judd Case has accepted the position as the new dean of Eastern’s College of Science, Health & Engineering, effective October 1, 2006.

He comes to Eastern from St. Mary’s College of California where he currently serves as dean of the School of Science, a position he has held for the past five years. Since 1990 he has held a variety of positions at St. Mary’s, including professor and chair of Biology and Acting Dean of Student Development. He has also held research positions at the University of California Museum of Paleontology and the University of California, Riverside.

Dr. Case brings a strong interest in both student learning and research to Eastern. A recipient of numerous National Science Foundation grants, most recently for an investigation of vertebrate evolution and biogeography in Antarctica, he has also led field work in Australia for the National Geographic Society. In 2004, Dr. Case was one of a team of fossil hunters who helped uncover a previously unknown, carnivorous dinosaur in Antarctica.

Dr. Case received his doctorate from the University of California, Riverside, and holds masters’ and bachelor’s degrees from Humboldt State University.

Members of the search committee, chaired by Dean Vickie Shields, included: Priscilla Alaniz, Prakash Bhuta, Dan Canada, Jon Copeland, Ron Dalla, Ruth Galm, Colette Loiacono, Rik Orndorff, Jeff Putnam, Ken Raymond, Brittany Sorensen, Rebecca Stolberg and Greg Wintz.

We look forward to welcoming Dr. Case to our Eastern community.