

DePuy named dean of bachelor's degree programs at Palm Beach State

(Lake Worth- Fla. – Aug. 13, 2010) Dr. George DePuy, who has 38 years of higher education experience as an administrator and professor, has joined Palm Beach State College as the new dean of baccalaureate programs.

DePuy was chosen for the position after a nationwide search. He comes to the College from Florida State University - Panama City where he worked for more than four years, first as campus dean and then project director.

DePuy said he is excited to come on board at a pivotal time for Palm Beach State, which began offering its first bachelor's degree — a Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision and Management — in fall 2009. The College also received approval from the State Board of Education earlier this year to offer a Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Information Management and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing.



“This is a whole new thrust for the College, and it’s exciting to be part of this initiative,” DePuy said. “The thing I like most about higher education is starting new degree programs.”

DePuy began his higher education career in 1972 as an assistant professor and director of Engineering Technology Programs at SUNY- Binghamton. He also later served as director of the school’s Division of Technical Studies. During his 14 years there, he was involved in starting eight new bachelor’s degree programs. His career also includes positions as chief academic officer at the University of California Berkeley Extension; founding president of DeVry University’s Silicon Valley campus in Fremont, Calif.; provost and vice chancellor for academic and student affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Stout in Menomonie, Wis. He also has served as a dean at SUNY Institute of Technology in Utica, NY.

He holds a bachelor’s degree in electrical engineering from the New Jersey Institute of Technology and a master’s degree in engineering administration and a Ph.D. in instructional technology from Syracuse University.

Serving more than 52,000 students annually, Palm Beach State College is the largest institution of higher education in Palm Beach County, providing the bachelor’s degree, associate degrees, professional certificates, career training and lifelong learning. Established in 1933 as Florida’s first public community college, it offers more than 100 programs of study at locations in Lake Worth, Boca Raton, Palm Beach Gardens and Belle Glade.

Editor’s note: Please contact College Relations and Marketing for a high resolution photo of Dr. George DePuy.

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