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QUINN NAMED UW-EXTENSION PROVOST/VICE CHANCELLOR

After a national search, Christine J. Quinn, Ph.D., has been named to succeed former UW-Extension Interim Provost/Vice Chancellor Robin Shepard, Ph.D., who was not a candidate for the position.

UW Colleges/UW-Extension Chancellor David Wilson announced Quinn's appointment and said, "She has wide-ranging experience and the perfect mix of skills. I am delighted she will be joining our leadership team."

Quinn has more than 20 years of experience in higher education that includes a broad-based foundation of teaching, research, and outreach/extension. She has served in executive level positions in academic affairs, outreach and continuing education, distance education, instructional technologies, student services and community engagement. Dr. Quinn is a widely published scholar and acknowledges a strong commitment to shared governance. In addition, her qualifications include extensive experience with federal, state, and community agencies.

Quinn has developed, facilitated, and led diverse partnerships, collaborations and initiatives at Winona State University, UW-Stout, New Mexico State University, and with the University of Minnesota.

Quinn received her bachelor's degree in education-vocational rehabilitation and a master's degree in rehabilitation administration from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She earned a doctorate in education with a commercial recreation and tourism emphasis from the University of Minnesota. Since 2000, she has been the associate vice president for Academic Affairs at Winona State University in Rochester, Minnesota, and managed approximately \$7.4 million in operating and grants budgets.

UW-Extension includes four divisions: Cooperative Extension in all 72 counties; Broadcast and Media Innovations which includes public television and public radio; Continuing Education, Outreach and E-learning; and the division of Entrepreneurship and Economic Development which includes numerous Small Business Development Centers across the state and the Wisconsin Entrepreneurs Network.

Quinn will begin her new duties with UW-Extension Oct. 1, 2008 and work out of a central office in Madison, Wisconsin.

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