Mark Ginsberg Named Interim Provost and Executive Vice President; Begins New Role April 15

George Mason University’s Board of Visitors on Friday, March 27, appointed Mark Ginsberg to serve as interim provost and executive vice president, effective April 15. Ginsberg will fill the role left by Dr. William J. Bioges, who has informed the university that he will retire from the university in June.

Ginsberg will serve the university in this role until he assumes the Baruch presidency on July 1.

Ginsberg said he was pleased to accept the appointment and that he was excited to begin his role.

“I am excited to begin my new role and to continue working with all the faculty, students, staff and alumni who call Mason their home,” Ginsberg said. “Certainly, with COVID-19, we are facing an unexpected and unpredicted challenge for the university community. Surely, this global crisis has caused stress and disruption in the form of family, loss of income or illness, causing an unexpected financial crisis. I am grateful for the opportunity to help the Mason community during this time. I look forward to working with the entire Mason community to navigate this pandemic and to help our students and faculty to be successful.”

Ginsberg will begin his interim duty on Wednesday, April 15.

Currently dean of Mason’s School of Business, Ginsberg was named provost and executive vice president in July 2013. He is also a professor in Mason’s School of Business.

FACULTY AFFAIRS

Graduate Grading Options Announced for Spring 2020

For the Office of the University Registrar, Office of Graduate Life, Graduate Grading Options Announced for Spring 2020 Undergraduate Grading Options Announced for Spring 2020

Spring 2020 classes.

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There will be a transcript notation for Spring 2020 A-F graded classes, indicating the change in grade schemes.

Working or studying from home and adjusting to changes in the workspace and classroom. In conjunction with University and Mason-related social media campaigns will be highlighted.

Several social media campaigns are in the process of creating and showing support to their event participate by into Well-Being) campaign throughout the Mason future Provost Webster is currently conducting a national search for the 2020 classes.

On Tuesday, March 24, the Faculty Senate approved an Undergraduate Grading Options for Spring 2020. Members of the Mason community are envouraged to provide their input and rank the proposals until Friday, April 17. The four topic finalists gave their presentations (both WebEx and slides) and rank the proposals until Friday, April 17. There will be a Dean’s List for Spring 2020 for those with the alternative grade mode.

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