Cal Poly College of Engineering Announces New Assistant Dean/Executive Director of Advancement

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Cal Poly’s College of Engineering has appointed its first assistant dean for Advancement. Joseph Donahoo will join the university in that position Nov. 1.

Donahoo currently serves as assistant dean for External Relations and Development for the College of Engineering at the University of Miami, and as executive director of the Johnson A. Edosomwan Leadership Institute, also located at the University of Miami. He brings more than eight years of experience in engineering and higher education development and leadership, along with three years in the financial services industry.

In his new position at Cal Poly, Donahoo will be responsible for securing private support for the College of Engineering and working with the dean, college administrators, advancement staff, and faculty on outreach and partnership efforts with alumni and corporate constituencies.

"With new, state-of-the-art facilities opening within months, the college is poised to rise to the next level of prominence," comments Dean Mohammad Noori. "We believe that Joe Donahoo will help propel us toward a new era of achievement and learning for our students, and excellence in teaching and research on the part of our faculty. We're delighted to have an individual of his caliber join our team."

Donahoo holds a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Dayton and a master's degree in Computer Information Systems from the University of Miami.

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