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NEWMAN NAMED ACTING DEAN, SCHOOL OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Donald J. Newman, professor at the School of Criminal Justice, The University at Albany, has been named acting dean. He will serve while Dean Vincent O'Leary is acting president until a successor is found to Emmett B. Fields. The latter has left the university to become president of Vanderbilt University.

Dr. Newman is an international authority on bargained justice. After completing his undergraduate work and doctorate in psychology and sociology at the University of Wisconsin, he taught at St. Lawrence University and at Wisconsin. He has been at State University of New York at Albany since 1967.

The acting dean, a former Russell Sage Foundation Fellow, is a frequent consultant to crime commissions, task forces, and institutions. He is the author of many articles, book chapters, and reviews. His three major books are "Conviction", the report of the American Bar Foundation's survey of U.S. criminal justice; "The Administration of Criminal Justice", a graduate text, with co-authors; and "Introduction to Criminal Justice."

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INSTITUTE AT ALBANY UNIVERSITY TO AID LIBRARY SERVICE FOR ADULT HANDICAPPED

Library Service for the Adult Handicapped, an institute for training in librarianship, will be conducted at the School of Library and Information Science, The University at Albany, during the week beginning Oct. 9. It will be conducted under a grant from the U.S. Office of Education, Title II-B, of the Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended.

The purpose of the institute is to provide public and academic librarians who work with the adults the opportunity to develop appropriate attitudes toward handicapped persons and to learn about effective ways of serving them. The program is designed for those who are currently working, or who will be working, with the mentally or physically handicapped or who will be responsible for programs serving the handicapped on the state, regional, or systems level.

Each participant is eligible to receive a stipend of \$75 plus \$15 for each dependent for the week of the institute. No tuition or fees will be charged, nor is academic credit available for the institute.

Additional information is available from Dr. Lucile Whalen, Library Institute, School of Library and Information Science, State University of New York at Albany, Albany 12222.

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FALL TERM BEGINS MONDAY AT UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY

An estimated 14,434 students - 10,190 undergraduates and 4,244 graduate students - are expected to begin the fall term Monday (Aug. 29) at The University at Albany. Vincent O'Leary is serving as acting president while a search committee begins the task of finding a successor to Emmett Fields, who left Albany this summer for the presidency of Vanderbilt University. Dr. O'Leary is dean of the School of Criminal Justice.

The university also starts the new year with a restructured administrative organization in the liberal arts and sciences. The former College of Arts and Sciences has been divided into three separate colleges - Humanities and Fine Arts, Social and Behavioral Sciences, and Sciences and Mathematics. One of the colleges, Humanities and Fine Arts, has a new dean, John Shumaker, formerly of Ohio State University.

Several other of the university's 11 schools and colleges also have new leadership this fall. Seth Spellman has been selected as dean of the School of Social Welfare after a year-long search; Robert Burgess is heading the School of Library and Information Science while a successor to John Farley (who has returned to teaching) is found; and Donald Newman is acting dean of the School of Criminal Justice during Dr. O'Leary's interim presidency.

Of the total student enrollment, approximately 3,100 are new on campus this fall, including some 1,935 freshman, 1,017 transfer

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students, and 149 Educational Opportunity Program students. Director of Admissions Rodney Hart reports that, despite a decrease in the number of applicants, enrollment goals were exceeded.

"Most of the decrease in applications," he explains, "can be attributed to a national downward trend. In addition, the fact that we are phasing out several academic programs also was a contributing factor."

Applications for positions in the freshman class totaled 12,588, down from a record 13,917 in 1976. The university offered acceptance to 8,118 applicants and surpassed its enrollment goal of 1,860 by some 75 students. Similarly, there were 4,948 transfer applicants, of whom 2,138 were accepted, and the enrollment goal of 810 was exceeded by about 200.

There are about 5,900 students living on campus as the semester begins, an increase of some 160 due primarily to the reconversion of seven floors of Mohawk Tower to dormitory use accommodating 144 students. Director of Residences John Welty reports that there also are 175 students being housed in the Hotel Wellington in downtown Albany and another 70 at the Country Squire Motel west of the campus on Route 20.

Approximately 90 new international students from 24 countries have joined 130 continuing international students at Albany. Conversely, there are some 65 Albany students studying abroad this semester in countries including the Soviet Union, France, Germany, Israel, Spain, and Great Britain, and in the Royal Crown Colony of Singapore.

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Among the international students on campus is a group from the Soviet Union. This is the third year of the exchange and the first time that Russian graduate students will be studying at an American university.

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