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UCSB APPOINTS VICE CHANCELLOR FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The University of California, Santa Barbara has named an Oregon educator to be its next vice chancellor for administrative services. George P. Pernsteiner is currently vice president for finance and administration at Portland State University, a post he has held since 1995. He is expected to take up his new duties at UCSB in August. His appointment is pending the formal approval of UC President Richard Atkinson and the Board of Regents. Prior to his Portland State position, Pernsteiner served as vice provost and chief financial officer at the University of Oregon, as associate vice chancellor for administration of the Oregon State System of Higher Education, and as director of administrative services for the City of Seattle. "This appointment comes after an extensive national search, and I am very pleased that we have found such an outstanding professional to join our campus community," said UCSB Chancellor Henry T. Yang. "George has a breadth and depth of experience that is very impressive and will help us in so many ways. We are looking forward to both his service and his leadership." As vice president for finance and administration at Portland State, Pernsteiner serves as the chief financial, business, and administrative officer for a doctoral-granting research university with 21,000 students and a budget that exceeds \$260 million.

He oversees offices responsible for budget, business affairs, information technology, telecommunications, facilities, parking, housing, student union, public safety, human resources, instructional technology, and planning -- a portfolio of responsibilities

very similar to those he will assume at UCSB. _x000B__x000B_Pernsteiner also holds an appointment as a professor of higher education at Portland State and is an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors of the university's foundation. A 1970 graduate of Seattle University, he earned a Master of Public Administration degree at the University of Washington._x000B__x000B_"I am very excited about this new challenge and the opportunity to work at an institution known for innovation," Pernsteiner said. "I marvel at how much UC Santa Barbara has accomplished over a relatively short period of time, and I know I will find my position there to be exhilarating and rewarding. I am looking forward to joining the impressive team Chancellor Henry Yang has assembled, and I am eager to work with the faculty, staff, and students of the university. My family and I are looking forward to becoming part of both the campus and the larger Santa Barbara communities."_x000B__x000B_Pernsteiner and his wife, Tracy Phelan, have a daughter, Alexis, who recently graduated from high school, and a son, Matthew, who will begin high school in the fall._x000B__x000B_Pernsteiner succeeds David N. Sheldon, who retired one year ago. Since that time, Everett Kirkelie, associate vice chancellor for administrative services, has been serving as acting vice chancellor._x000B_

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