

Willie Smith named Dean of Student Affairs

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Willie Smith, Assistant to the Acting Vice-President for Student Affairs at the University of Michigan, has been appointed Dean of Student Affairs at the University of California, San Diego effective August 1, it has been announced by George Murphy, Vice Chancellor and Executive Dean of Student Affairs at UCSD.

In addition, Lynn C. Naibert, Executive Dean of Student Affairs for the past year, has been named Dean of International Education. Naibert replaces Ward Beecher who is moving to Seattle, Washington, after heading the Office of International Education at UCSD for six years.

Smith, 32, joined the staff at the University of Michigan in 1967 as Assistant Director of the Office of Student Organizations. He was named to his present position a year and a half later. In addition to assisting the Acting Vice President, Smith also serves as Acting Director of the Office of Student Organizations and as a consultant with community organizations and educational programs ranging from Head Start to college level groups.

At UCSD, he will have administrative responsibility for international education, student organizations and activities, financial aids, student employment, campus-wide housing services, and student government. He will work closely with the UCSD Associated Students and, in addition, will work with Murphy in the responsibility of student discipline.

Smith was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1937. He received a B.S. degree from the University of Michigan in 1966, and has since completed the Educational Consultant Training Program of the National Training Laboratory.

He played professional football for several years with the Chicago Bears and also served as a supervisor in Juvenile Hall in Denver, Colorado. He also served for two years as a probation officer in Washtenaw County, Michigan, and as supervisor of a readjustment center for emotionally disturbed boys.

In 1965 he was named Director of Campus Service Corps at Eastern Michigan University where he directed student volunteer programs which included tutorial, cultural enrichment and big brother-big sister programs. At the same time he served as Director of the Ypsilanti, Michigan, Human Relations Committee.

In 1966 he was named Administrative Assistant to the Vice-President for Student Affairs at Eastern Michigan University. Smith is a member of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, the Michigan Personnel and Guidance Association, and the National Association of Inter-personal Relations Officials.