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LSU's Hughes Accepts Nail's Offer to Lead ACC

HATTIESBURG — Reports have reached USMNEWS.net offices indicating that LSU accountant Kirby "Skip" E. Hughes II has accepted CoB dean Lance Nail's offer to direct the CoB's new School of Accounting. According to reports, Hughes will take over the position some time after 1-July-09, or when the CoB's new six-department structure takes effect.



Kirby E. Hughes II

As previously reported, Hughes received his PhD from the University of Georgia in 1996. Twenty five years earlier, in 1971, Hughes picked up an MBA from the University of South Carolina, and five years before that, in 1966, he earned a B.S. from the United States Naval Academy. LSU's website notes that Hughes has also published in two of the CoB's A-level journals – *Accounting, Organizations & Society* (2004) and *The Accounting Review* (2000).



Though it is of course not known at this time how Hughes will shape the CoB's accounting school, sources indicate that Nail's decision to hire Hughes over the candidate favored overwhelmingly by the CoB's current crop of accountants speaks highly of Nail's (1) leadership ability and (2) vision for the future of the CoB. Hughes' credentials inspire thoughts of the CoB's zenith period during the mid-1990s under former dean Tyrone Black.