

Breaking News

Jackson to Head the SAIS

HATTIESBURG – Staffers at USMNEWS.NET have learned that Interim CoB Dean Alvin Williams is planning to fill the vacant SAIS Director slot with the CoB’s own Steven Jackson (shown below on the campus of Loyola University in New Orleans, though photo appears on USM’s website). Jackson, who came to the CoB in January of 2007, reportedly was not



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among the applicants in the “national search” that was initiated under the direction of Barry Babin, Chair of MgtMkt. However, sources have not confirmed/denied this information. We do know that former CoB Dean D. Harold Doty reported to AACSB officials that the USM central administration approved a salary offer of \$170,000-\$175,000 for the position, though it is not known at this time whether or not Jackson will receive such an amount. Sources tell USMNEWS.NET that Jackson will most likely be paid somewhere in the \$130,000-\$140,000 range.

Prior to coming to USM, Jackson was the LeBlanc Distinguished Professor of Business Ethics at Loyola University. According to Doty, Jackson was the first hire in the CoB’s strategy to raid the Katrina-stricken higher education community in New Orleans. Though it is not known how developed this strategy was before Doty’s resignation on 9-Apr-07, the only other possible “catch” from this net would appear to be John Lambert, assistant professor of international business. Jackson will replace Stanley Lewis, professor of MIS, who has been serving as Interim Director of SAIS. Lewis is leaving the CoB after July-07 to take a position at Troy University.