

## Niroomand Dizzying

Former CoB associate dean, and new dean of the business school at the University of Houston – Victoria, Farhang Niroomand is as fickle as ever about his photo and new dean's message on the UH-V website. After re-using the coat-over-the-shoulder [pose](#) used by former CoB dean Harold Doty, Niroomand has now reverted to a more traditional type of dean's [photo](#). The interesting thing about the new photo (shown below), however, is that it's not exactly new – it was shot in USM's Joseph A. Greene Hall as part of a promotion for Niroomand's oft-promoted U.S. Department of Education international business education grant(s).



In his new dean's message, Niroomand states that accepting the invitation to lead UH-V's business school was one of the easiest decisions of his career. That must mean that all of Niroomand's past "health problems" whilst dean at USM were either fictitious or now cured. Those CoB faculty who gathered together in JAG 303 on 10-April-07 were told by then-USM provost Jay Grimes that Niroomand's health problems, which had by then existed for quite some time, were the main rationale for Niroomand's 9-April-07 resignation as associate dean. They were also important, presumably, in USM's decision to give Niroomand an extended paid vacation, which spanned from 9-April-07 into August of that same year.

It's getting quite dizzying keeping up with Niroomand's explanations for various career decisions since April of 2007. It's also tough to keep up with all the changes Niroomand has required regarding the SoBA (at UH-V) website. Maybe it's time for a break on our end. Perhaps we should soon check in on Farnaz Zand, another new addition to the UH-V faculty.