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News Release

USU Selects First Senior Vice President

BETHESDA, Md. — The Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USU) has selected Dale C. Smith, Ph.D., as the university's first senior vice president.

“Dr. Smith has served as acting senior vice president for over a year and after consideration of both internal and external applicants it is clear that he brings a unique set of skills and an irreplaceable background to this position,” said USU President Charles L. Rice, M.D. “Dr. Smith is not only an expert in medical history, he is an expert in the history of this university. It is this combination that makes it apparent that he is the best person to help us move this remarkable institution forward in its next stage of maturation.”

Dr. Smith is currently a professor and chairman of the Department of Medical History in the F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine at USU. In 1979 he received his Ph.D. in the History of Medicine from the University of Minnesota. From that time until he moved to the Uniformed Services University in 1982, he was on the faculty of the University of Minnesota.

Dr. Smith is active within the historical profession, having served as chairman of the program committee (1984) of the American Association for the History of Medicine (AAHM), as a member of the National Institutes of Health Special Study Section on the History of the Life Sciences on two occasions, as a member of the Council of the AAHM, as associate editor of the *Journal of the History of Medicine and Allied Sciences*, on the editorial board of the *Bulletin of the History of Medicine* and as the editor of the AAHM Newsletter. He is also a consulting historian for Military Medicine, the journal of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States.

Dr. Smith is the son of Margaret (Polly) Smith and the late D. Carl Smith of Leesburg, Fla. He is a graduate of Leesburg High School in Leesburg, Fla.

Located on the grounds of Bethesda's National Naval Medical Center and across from the National Institutes of Health, USU is the nation's federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing. The university educates health care professionals dedicated to career service in the Department of Defense and the U.S. Public Health Service.



Dale C. Smith, Ph.D.
Senior Vice President

Learning to Care for Those in Harm's Way

Students are active-duty uniformed officers in the Army, Navy, Air Force and Public Health Service, who are being educated to deal with wartime casualties, national disasters, emerging infectious diseases, and other public health emergencies. Of the university's more than 4,000 physician alumni, the vast majority serve on active duty and are supporting operations in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere, offering their leadership and expertise.

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