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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### HELSEL NAMED ACTING DEAN

CHARLESTON, IL--Larry Helsel of Charleston, Assistant

Dean/Chair of Eastern Illinois University's School of Technology

since 1984, has been named Acting Dean of the College of Applied

Sciences, effective Nov. 4.

Helsel replaces Barbara Hill, Dean of the College since 1984, who was recently named the University's Acting Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

The recommendation for his appointment was made by the College of Applied Sciences Search Committee.

Helsel said, "I appreciate the opportunity to serve the College of Applied Sciences and University in this capacity and look forward to working with both faculty and staff to move the College toward the goals established by Vice President Hill."

Hill said, "Dr. Helsel is very well respected in the School of Technology and in the College. He brings a wealth of know-ledge to his new position, and I am confident he will fulfill all functions, responsibilities, and activities of the College with as much dedication as he has with other administrative positions he has held."

Helsel earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from California State College in Pennsylvania and doctorate from Penn State University.

Before being named Assistant Dean/Chair of the School of Technology, Helsel served as coordinator of industrial technology.

Helsel said the College of Applied Sciences is committed to quality programs which develop understanding, competencies, skills, and capabilities of its graduates who are prepared to assume positions in business, industry, education, government, and social service agencies.

Bachelor's degree programs in the School of Home Economics, School of Technology, and Career Occupations, and master's degree programs in home economics, technology, and the multidisciplinary Master of Arts in Gerontology program prepare graduates for the challenges of a society in a technological age.

A Military Science (ROTC) program leading to commissioning as a Second Lieutenant in the Army is also offered within the College.