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Cornish College of the Arts Announces New Associate Provost

SEATTLE, WA – Cornish College of the Arts is pleased to announce the appointment of Jenifer K. Ward, Ph.D. as the new Associate Provost. Ward is the former Chair of Modern Languages, Literatures, and Cultures at Gustavus Adolphus College in Saint Peter, Minnesota. She will start her new position as Associate Provost at Cornish on July 15, 2007.

Jenifer Ward earned her Ph.D. in Germanic Languages and Literatures at Vanderbilt University and has been both a faculty member and administrator at Gustavus Adolphus College since 2001 where she was the Department Chair of Modern Languages, Literatures, and Cultures and also an Associate Professor of German.

Ward has been the recipient of multiple grants, including a Fulbright Award and a Research, Scholarship and Creativity Grant, as well as being named as a participant in a select American Council on Education Minnesota development program for mid-level administrators. Most recently she was appointed by the Executive Council of the Modern Language Association (MLA) to implement a grant funded by the Teagle Foundation. This grant invited disciplinary organizations such as MLA and its counterparts in History, Art and Philosophy to compete for funds that explore ways in which undergraduate majors in various disciplines can better be embedded into a liberal arts education. Ward joins a small group of English and Foreign Language educators appointed by the MLA for this project which will result in suggestions for curriculum and policy change across the entire profession.

Ward has also served as a Resident Scholar at the Institute for Ecumenical and Cultural Research and is a published author in her field. Her primary areas of research are film adaptations of novels attempting to come to terms with the Holocaust and the Nazi past in Germany.

Jenifer K. Ward, Ph.D. brings to Cornish College of the Arts a bounty of faculty, administration and research experience. Additionally, she is an active avocational singer, photographer and speaks German and French fluently.

About Cornish College of the Arts

Cornish College of the Arts, founded by Nellie Cornish in 1914, provides aspiring artists with the educational opportunities to become professionals in their fields. The College offers Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees in Art, Dance, Design, Performance Production and Theater, and a Bachelor of Music degree. It is one of three private colleges in the United States focusing on both the performing and visual arts, and the only college of its kind in the Northwest. The College is accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges, and the National Association of Schools of Art and Design.

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