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UNH Announces New Dean of the College of Business



Brian Kench, Ph.D. has been appointed dean of the College of Business at the University of New Haven as of June 8.

Kench, a Massachusetts native with a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Connecticut, will lead efforts to enhance the quality, scope and vitality of UNH business programs.

"Dr. Kench will lead the college in its efforts to expand and adapt to the latest needs of the international and Connecticut business communities," said Daniel May, provost and senior vice president of academic affairs. "He will bring the energy, scholarship and outreach skills we need to enhance the reputation of the college."

Kench is chair of the economics department at The University of Tampa. His research, teaching, and consulting interests are in the areas of behavioral and experimental economics, microeconomics and public finance.

"I look forward to continuing the college's momentum and increasing its national and international reputation," Kench said. "UNH offers career-focused business education to diverse and globally aware learners. Our vision is to become a top-tier school of choice for students seeking an experientially based professional education."

Kench has consulting experience in economic damages and impact analysis, and has served as an economics expert for a variety of national media outlets such as Bloomberg TV, American Public Media's Marketplace and *USA Today*.

The past president of the Academy of Business Economics, he earned Tampa's College of Business Researcher of the Year Award in 2008 and its Teaching Excellence Award in 2009 and 2012.