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CGS Names 2007-08 Dean-in-Residence

The Council of Graduate Schools (CGS) has named **Diana B. Carlin** as the Dean-in-Residence for 2007-08. Dr. Carlin is currently the Dean of the Graduate School and International Programs at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, KS, and will join CGS on July 1st.

The Council of Graduate Schools is an organization of 480 institutions of higher education in the United States and Canada engaged in graduate education, research and the preparation of candidates for advanced degrees. CGS member institutions award more than 90% of the doctoral degrees and over 75% of the master's degrees in the U.S. The organization's mission is to improve and advance graduate education, which it accomplishes through advocacy in the federal policy arena, research, and the development and dissemination of best practices.

Each year, CGS selects an outstanding graduate school dean with national leadership experience to serve as Dean-in-Residence. The dean joins the staff at CGS for one year, providing an infusion of campus-based perspective and vision across a variety of programs.

"I am excited by the opportunity to focus on a few key issues," Carlin said, "and I look forward to working in the forefront of important changes in graduate education."

CGS President Debra W. Stewart said, "I am thrilled that Diana will be joining us. She has provided strong leadership at KU in both the graduate and international arenas." She added, "I look forward to Diana sharing her experience and wisdom in our research ethics initiative and in other CGS programs."

Dr. Carlin became dean of the Graduate School and International Programs at the University of Kansas (KU) in 2000, and is a Professor of Communication Studies. She was director of a national research project on presidential debates, Debate Watch, and served on the Advisory Board for the Commission on Presidential Debates. Dr. Carlin received her bachelors and master's degrees in education from KU, and earned a Ph.D. in speech communication from the University of Nebraska.

Dr. Carlin has been active in the national graduate education community for a number of years. She was elected to CGS' Board of Directors in 2005 and is a member of its Government Relations Advisory Committee. Under her leadership, the KU Graduate School has become a Project Partner in the Ph.D. Completion Project and has received a CGS / National Science Foundation grant to implement a research ethics program, as part of the Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) initiative.

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