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Lindenwood University has named Dr. Anthony Scheffler dean of the [School of Education](#) on its St. Charles, Mo., campus. Scheffler, who has worked in higher education for nearly 30 years, was selected after an extensive national search.

Scheffler most recently served as interim vice president of academic affairs at Valdosta State University in Valdosta, Ga., and as lead investigator for competency-based education for the University System of Georgia. Prior to that, he was associate dean of the Dewar College of Education and Human Services at Valdosta State University. He has also held a number of administrative posts, including provost and vice president for academic affairs, at Northwestern State University of Louisiana.

Before entering higher education as an assistant professor of education in the early '90s, Scheffler was a classroom teacher for approximately 10 years at various schools in Louisiana, starting in 1979. He has published extensively and given national and international presentations on various aspects of education and teacher education.

“Dr. Scheffler has extensive experience at all levels of education and has led a number of innovative projects,” said Dr. Marilyn Abbott, Lindenwood provost and vice president for academic affairs. “His expertise and creative vision will be essential to the future success of the School of Education. I look forward to working with Anthony in his new role.”

Scheffler will replace Dr. Joyce Piveral, who has served as interim dean of the School of Education since June of 2017. Scheffler will begin his duties on May 1.

“It is my honor to serve as the dean of the School of Education at Lindenwood University,” Scheffler said. “I am looking forward to working collaboratively with the faculty, staff, and stakeholders to advance the mission of the school to the benefit of our students.”

Scheffler is married to Dr. Kelly Heckaman, an associate professor of special education, and has two adult children, Sara and Andrew. He is an accomplished woodworker with a passion for the visual arts who has sold sculptures to private and corporate collectors worldwide. He enjoys traveling and working outdoors and is an aspiring endurance cyclist.