

Malavé Appointed Department Head

Dr. M. Katherine Banks, vice chancellor and dean of engineering, has announced that Dr. César O. Malavé has been appointed head of the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Malave, who has been serving as the interim department head, will begin his new appointment on June 15.

"Dr. Malavé is highly qualified and received strong support from the faculty and the search committee," said Banks. "I would like to express my gratitude to the search committee for its hard work and diligence in this important process. Dr. Malavé's extensive leadership experience at the college level will be a tremendous asset to the department in its efforts to elevate excellence in our teaching and research missions."

Malavé, who joined the Industrial and Systems Engineering faculty at Texas A&M in 1987, has occupied several administrative positions in The Texas A&M University System, including associate dean of engineering in the Dwight Look College of Engineering.

In that position he led all engineering efforts in study abroad programs and international agreements for research and educational collaborations. He also served as the coordinator of academic support activities for the engineering program at the branch campus in Doha, Qatar.

Additionally, Malavé was at the helm of all undergraduate recruitment activities in the Look College including the E 12 targeted recruitment program.

Malavé also served as the associate agency director of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station, leading the Safety Program Office and the Strategic Research Development Group.

Malavé's research and educational interests are in the areas of cost modeling for manufacturing and production systems, development of models for student success and for improving undergraduate engineering education.

His academic and research projects have received funding from the National Science Foundation, the Department of Energy, the state of Texas, CONACyT, Westinghouse and the GE Foundation.

He is the co-author of the recently published book *Global Engineering* — *Design, Decision Making and Communication*. Malave is also a member of the editorial board of the *Journal of Applications and Practices in Engineering Education*.