

## DAU Announces Regional Leadership Changes

DAU Acting President James McMichael is pleased to announce Mark Lumb as the new dean of the DAU South Region. Former deans Jim McCullough, South Region and Andy Zaleski, West Region both retired from DAU in June. The search is still underway for a permanent dean of the DAU West Region.

“This is a time of change for DAU. Not only are we being impacted by sequestration, we are also experiencing regional leadership changes,” said McMichael. “They [Zaleski and McCullough] will be missed; [their achievements](#) for the university and the acquisition community are unmatched. During their tenures, they’ve played active roles in transitioning the university to a premiere, internationally recognized corporate university.”

Lumb joined DAU in 2002 and was most recently the chairman of the DAU South Region Acquisition Program Management Department from 2008–2013.

McCullough started as the South Region dean with only three faculty members and played a crucial role in expanding the personnel to 116 faculty and staff and ensuring DAU South possesses world-class facilities at its main campus and two satellite campuses. While guiding the South team to excellence in teaching classroom courses and helping its regional acquisition organizations enhance their performance through high-impact mission assistance, McCullough also worked closely with the Army to create a Senior Service College Fellowship Program that provides civilians with the world-class professional development and leadership training they will need to serve effectively in the most senior acquisition positions.

“In any organization there’s a time when you need new people and new ideas,” McCullough said in an interview with the [Redstone Rocket](#). “It’s good to have someone new come in and look at things from a different vantage point. New leadership can look at ways to improve an organization and continue to move it forward.”

Zaleski was selected to stand up West Region campuses in 2001 and was a champion of innovation and cost-efficiency measures, consistently reducing business practice costs without sacrificing the quality of DAU classes. He spearheaded the notion of a campus-focused environment that encouraged students to attend class, sleep and dine in the immediate site areas, precluding the need for rental cars or commercial hotel rooms.