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TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND NETWORKING PIONEER JOINS NEWARK COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Dr. Stewart D. Personick, internationally recognized pioneer in the theory and practical applications of new and emerging technologies in telecommunications systems and networks, has accepted the Ying Wu Endowed Chair in Wireless Telecommunications in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Newark College of Engineering.

A noted scientist and member of the U.S. National Academy of Engineering, Dr. Personick spent 28 years as an individual researcher and as a research manager at Bell Laboratories, TRW, and Bell Communications Research (now Telcordia Technologies), working in the field of communications technology and applications. In recognition of this work he was elected a Fellow of the IEEE (1983), a Fellow of the Optical Society of America (1988), and a Member of the U.S. National Academy of Engineering (1992). He received the prestigious IEEE/OSA John Tyndall Award, in 2000, "for pioneering research in optical receiver design, systems engineering, and optical time domain reflectometry, and for leadership in education and the promotion of fiber optics".

In September 1998 he joined Drexel University as the first E. Warren Colehower Endowed Chair Professor, and as the first Director of Drexel's Center for Telecommunications and Information Networking. Since 2003, he has been an independent consultant to the telecommunications industry.

The Ying Wu Endowed chair is supported by a gift of \$1.5 million from Ying Wu, founder of a highly successful telecommunications firm, who earned a master's degree in electrical engineering at NCE in 1988.



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