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A Career Grows in Brooklyn

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BOROUGH HOPPING: Having already helped one college at the City University of New York expand its academic programs, **William A. Tramontano** will now try to help another.

Mr. Tramontano has been hired as the new provost and vice president for academic affairs at Brooklyn College. Previously he was at Herbert H. Lehman College, in the Bronx, where he served as dean of natural and social sciences since 2003, and as the acting provost and vice president for academic affairs during the 2006-7 academic year.

While acting provost at Lehman, Mr. Tramontano helped start several new academic programs, including a bachelor's degree in business administration. He says he is eager to expand the business program at Brooklyn College as well.

At Lehman, Mr. Tramontano also oversaw the start of construction of a new science facility. He will be doing the same thing at his new institution, thanks to the CUNY system's recent emphasis on science across all its campuses.

"Brooklyn is basically going down the same path as Lehman," he says. "I was very fortunate to be involved with the planning and construction of Lehman's new science facility, and obviously that's one of the reasons I was asked to take part in this job."

A native of Brooklyn, Mr. Tramontano, 54, has spent the majority of his life in New York City. Before coming to Lehman College, he taught at Manhattan College, where he also received his bachelor's degree in science.