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ARKADELPHIA, Ark. — Jeff Crow, former director of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, has been named the first director of Ouachita Baptist University's new Department of Campus Safety and Emergency Management, according to Dr. Wesley Kluck, vice president for Student Development.

Crow, who began his new position this month, has 35 years of experience in public service, including 15 years as a trooper and sergeant with the Arkansas State Police.

"I appreciate the leadership of Dr. Kluck in devoting last school year to collaborating with students, faculty and staff to consider a new approach to safety," said Ouachita President Ben Sells. "We devoted six months to finding the inaugural leader of the Department of Campus Safety and Emergency Management and I'm so pleased with the selection of Jeff Crow."



"I am very happy to join the Ouachita family and look forward to getting to know all of the students, faculty and staff," Crow noted. "I appreciate the leadership of Dr. Sells and Dr. Kluck in the development of this new program and I am eager to begin working collaboratively with everyone to create the safest possible environment for the Ouachita community."

The new model is a hybrid approach that includes campus safety officers as well as a focus on emergency management education and training. It will transition to replace Ouachita's current arrangement with Whelan Security by June 1.

"I am very pleased to have Jeff as the first director of the Ouachita Campus Safety and Emergency Management Department," Dr. Kluck said. "Jeff has a wealth of knowledge and experience in law enforcement, administration, leadership and education. I have personally known him for several years and look forward to having him as a part of the Student Development and Ouachita team."

Prior to his current position, Crow served six years with the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, including serving as deputy director, chief of staff and most recently as director where he led a staff of more than 580 employees. He previously was a law enforcement management instructor with the University of Arkansas Criminal Justice Institute. He also is a former corporal in the U.S. Marine Corps and a retired sergeant major with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves.

Crow is certified as a professional law enforcement instructor and law enforcement firearms instructor. He holds a Master of Public Administration degree from Arkansas State University, a Bachelor of Science degree in organizational management from John Brown University and an Associate of Applied Science degree in criminal justice from National Park Community College. His daughter Addison is a senior at Ouachita.