

**Dr. Wade Weast** is founding Dean of the College of the Arts at Georgia State University, providing administrative leadership for a division whose 150+ faculty and part-time instructors serve more than 2,200 students. Within a shared governance structure, Weast developed the college's strategic plan, bylaws and policies; launched degree programs to address state workforce needs; and established a donor group to provide ongoing support for the college.

Previously, Weast served Georgia State as Director of the School of Music and Associate Dean for Fine Arts. He also was Dean of the School of Music at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts; Director of the School of Music at the University of

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Through a year-long American Council on Education (ACE) fellowship, Weast is shadowing senior leaders at the University of Washington – Bothell, one of three UW campuses contributing to a collaborative Tri-Campus Initiative. He earned a Doctor of Musical Arts from Stony Brook University (N.Y.); a Master of Music from the Manhattan School of Music; and a Bachelor of Music from SUNY Fredonia.