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CEDARVILLE, OHIO – Lt. Gen. Loren Reno, a 38-year veteran of the United States Air Force and the inaugural dean of Cedarville University’s School of Business Administration, has been appointed interim vice president for academics.

As the dean of the school of business administration since 2012, Reno is credited for increased enrollment, high rates for career placement and the CPA exam. According to 2014 statistics provided by the office of career services, graduates from five business programs had a 100 percent placement within six months of graduation. The CPA exam pass rate puts Cedarville University #25 in the nation, and in the top 4 percent among the 776 universities with an accounting major.

“Gen. Reno is a godly, humble follower of Jesus who personifies Micah 6:8. I have the utmost confidence that he will lead our academic programs well,” said Dr. Thomas White, president of Cedarville University.

During his celebrated military career, Reno was the Air Force’s senior logistician with policy oversight and budget advocacy for 207,000 maintainers, logisticians, civil engineers and security forces. He led small and large organizations doing maintenance, repair and overhaul for jet engines and large military aircraft; supply chain management; jet fuel acquisition and distribution; and operational aircraft maintenance.

In 2015, Reno was inducted into the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Ohio “Award of Excellence” for his work in the military and recent tenure in higher education.

He earned his undergraduate degree in comprehensive science and education from Cedarville before earning a master's degree in systems management from the University of Southern California. Reno also completed graduate studies at Harvard University, Syracuse University, and the University of North Carolina.