

January 13, 2009

To: Provosts, Vice Presidents, Vice Provosts, Deans, Directors, and Heads of Schools,
Divisions, Departments, and Offices

From: Jon Harbor, Interim Dean of Science

Re: Harshvardhan named Associate Dean for Graduate Education and International Programs
in the College of Science

I am very pleased to announce that Professor Harshvardhan will assume the role of associate dean for graduate education and international programs in the College of Science, effective January 12, 2009. He replaces Professor Jean Chmielewski, who recently stepped down from this position to focus on meeting the needs of additional growth in her research program.

Harshvardhan has been employed at Purdue University since 1988 where he is a professor in the Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences. He was also department head from 1996–2004 and is affiliated with the Purdue Climate Change Research Center. Harshvardhan received a PhD in atmospheric science from the State University of New York at Stony Brook. Prior to joining Purdue he was with the Climate and Radiation Branch of the Laboratory for Atmospheres at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center.

Currently, Dr. Harshvardhan's research interests include remote sensing of cloud and aerosol properties and the study of radiative forcing in global climate models. He has served as editor of the *Journal of Applied Meteorology* (1996-2001) and is the recipient of the Henry G. Houghton Award of the American Meteorological Society (1993).

Harshvardhan is a Fellow of the American Meteorological Society and member of the American Geophysical Union and IEEE. He has held visiting appointments at the Max Planck Institute for Meteorology (MPI-M) at Hamburg, the National Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasting (NCMRWF), India, and the Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences Program at Princeton University.



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