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May Named To Economic Development Post at Bryan School

GREENSBORO – Tom May, former director of the Nussbaum Center for Entrepreneurship, has been named assistant to the dean for economic development at the Bryan School of Business and Economics at The University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

“We are delighted that Tom accepted this appointment,” said Dr. James Weeks, dean of the Bryan School. “Tom’s corporate and incubator experience, passion for entrepreneurship, interest in universities’ role in economic development and extensive network across the state make him an ideal person for this strategically and critically important role in the Bryan School.”

May led the Nussbaum Center — the largest of North Carolina’s small business incubators — from 1999 to 2005. During his tenure, the Nussbaum Center doubled in size to include 124 office spaces and 75 companies. Under May, UNCG’s Office of Technology Transfer partnered with North Carolina A&T State University and the Nussbaum Center to form Technology Outreach at Nussbaum, an operation that facilitates technology transfer, commercialization and business development through university-industry linkages for Greensboro and the Triad region.

May’s priorities include working with Bryan School faculty and administrators to enhance the school’s economic development outreach services, serving on UNCG’s Economic Development Council and assisting the Business Advisory Board on a strategic plan for economic development outreach initiatives.

Before going to the Nussbaum Center, May worked with AT&T for 22 years. There he led teams that prepared proposals for commercial customers on a global basis, served as manager of sales support for the Middle East and Africa and managed logistical support for special government projects.

May earned a master’s degree in statistics from the University of Delaware, an MBA from the University of Minnesota and completed doctoral work in statistics at Rutgers University. He completed management/executive development programs at Columbia University and UNC Chapel Hill.

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