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William Mea named chief financial officer at Wagner College

STATEN ISLAND, N.Y. — William E. Mea of Phoenixville, Pa., has become the new chief financial officer and vice president for business and finance at Wagner College.

Mea is the vice president for finance and administration at the University of the Arts, a 2,300-student higher education institution in Philadelphia devoted exclusively to education and training in visual, performing and communication arts.

During his six-year tenure at the University of the Arts, Mea was responsible for all financial affairs, including balancing a \$60 million operating budget and a \$40 million endowment, human resources, operations (facilities, housekeeping and public safety) and information technology.

He also staffed the trustee committees on finance, investment, audit, and buildings and grounds.

Prior to that, Mea worked for 11 years at Philadelphia University, first as controller and then as assistant vice president for business and finance. Before that, he had a 10-year career at the accounting firm of Ernst & Young LLP.

He has a bachelor's degree in business administration with an accounting concentration from Widener University, and also holds a master of business administration degree with a finance concentration from Philadelphia University.