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Harvey o teach at Duke

By Raymond Raney ids Staff Writer

William B. Harvey, professor of law and political science, and former dean of the School of Law at Bloomington, will be on sabbatical for the next year, but is not leaving permanently, said Acting Dean Douglass G. Boshkoff.

Harvey will be a visiting professor at Duke University for the next academic year. "I wanted a year with no committments, and fortunately this came along. It will be a year to reflect and to plan," Harvey said.

The Screening and Search Committee is in the process of selecting recommendations for a new dean for the law school. Professor Roland J. Stanger, chairman of the committee, would not say when a recommendation would be made.

Harvey was given the Gavel Award at the recent Law Day ceremony at I.U. The award is presented to a member of the law school faculty or staff who the seniors feel has done the most for them during their three years in the law school.

About his five years as dean, Harvey said he was "much more impressed with what the law school has contributed to me."

The achievements over the last five years have been from a schoolwide effort, not from any individual, Harvey said. A high quality faculty has been put together, and has developed into a cohesive group, he added.

Decisions for the advancement of the law school and the directions in which it will move are made by group deliberations with corporate responsibility, Harvey said.

An example of the quality of the law school was demonstrated in a letter Harvey received while in Nairobi. A friend observed while visiting another law school that it was less than the sum of its parts, but I.U.'s law school is more than its sum, because of the oneness felt by faculty and students, Harvey said.

The nature of the student body has changed also, Harvey said. The students now feel the faculty members are there to help them as well as to teach, and the students represent the best people from the undergraduate programs, he said.

The law school graduates of I.U. represent quality more than quantity, Harvey said. In comparing I.U.'s law school with a freshman class of under 200 selected from 2,000 applicants, to another law school with a class of 350 selected from 7,000 applicants, Harvey said the comparative credentials of the resulting classes are the same.

The student body has made a commitment to the school, and because there is a sense of community in the school, the morale is very high, Harvey said.

Another factor of change, Harvey said, is there are more members of minority groups represented in the law school than there were five years ago.

The resource level of the law

school is a disappointment, Harvey said. When he started as dean, support for the law school was very encouraging, but after two years the support dwindled, and now the law school is struggling just to stay even, he said. The Law building is a limitation because of its size, and the library is limited for the same reason, Harvey said.

The last five years as dean have been both rewarding and disappointing, Harvey continued. If he were to return to teaching law, it would be with a school meeting the development test, Harvey said. If it is going somewhere, he stated "I would look forward to returning to a professorship of law."

Harvey is now involved with the revision of a book he wrote while in East Africa, an introduction to the legal systems of East Africa, Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania, to be on the publisher's desk by Nov. 1.

"It's designed as a teaching aid for those countries, for they have no texts to work with," Harvey concluded.



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