We are excited to announce that Richard Harris, M.A., Ed.D. will join the Christian Teacher Education Department faculty beginning Fall, 2015. Dr. Harris has enjoyed a long and distinguished career in the field of education, both nationally and internationally. For the past seven years he has served as Associate Dean of Education and Director of Student Teaching and the Administrative Services Credentialing Program for Simpson University’s School of Education. He has also directed the institution’s Master of Arts in Education Program.

He received his B.A. in education from Seattle Pacific University, his M.A. in school administration from the University of Redlands & his Ed.D. in school administration from Nova Southeastern University. Prior to his tenure at Simpson, Dr. Harris was the ACSI Associate Director, International Education for ACSI Europe in Budapest Hungary. During this time Richard and his wife, June, served as educational consultants to more than 35 international Christian schools throughout Europe, Central Asia, and the Middle East.

Dr. Harris’ vast educational experience includes administrative leadership as elementary and high school principal, public school superintendent, Principal of Scottsdale Christian Academy, AZ, administrator of an international Christian school in East Africa, and chairman of The Department of Education at The Master’s College. He has also served as an elementary teacher, college professor, guest lecturer at Haile Selassie University in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, and educational consultant. In addition, he has participated in International Children’s Educator Conferences in Kenya, Europe, Guatemala, The Philippines and Hong Kong. He has also provided professional development for teachers and administrators in Korea, Papua New Guinea, Kenya, Europe, Central Asia and the Middle East.

Richard was awarded National Science Foundation grants for curriculum development projects with the University of Minnesota and was the recipient of the Bush Public Schools Executive Fellows Program. He has also been the recipient of the Alumni of a Growing Vision Award from his undergraduate alma mater, Seattle Pacific University. His professional association memberships have included: The California Council on the Education of Teachers, The independent CA College and University Deans of Education, The California Association of Professors of Educational Administration, The Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, The Association of California School Administrators and The National Association of Scholars.

In addition to teaching, Dr. Harris will provide administrative oversight for the SBC&GS Christian Teacher Education Dept. We believe he will be greatly used of God to better equip and prepare future and present Christian school teachers and administrators through our undergraduate and graduate programs here at Shasta Bible College & Graduate School. For ACSI certification or recertification classes, or to enroll in either our campus or online programs at the graduate or undergraduate levels, contact SBC&GS Admissions at (530) 221-4275.