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DURHAM, N.H. -- Warren C. Lackstrom has been named director of the University of New Hampshire's Hamel Center for the Management of Technology and Innovation, according to Steven Bolander, dean of UNH's Whittemore School of Business and Economics.

Lackstrom will lead the newly established Hamel Center in providing educational and technical assistance to individuals and companies, enabling them to manage technological change and commercialize emerging technologies. He also will help create and manage a new, interdisciplinary graduate degree program focused on the management of technology and related certificate programs at the Whittemore School, Bolander said. "He brings the vision, experience, technical knowledge, business acumen, and academic orientation to create an attractive environment for students, faculty and businesses to the new center," the dean remarked.

Lackstrom comes to UNH from the health care management consulting firm Kendall Strategies of Cambridge, Mass., where he was a vice president. His areas of expertise include business development, strategic planning, product development and business intelligence. He has also served as vice president for business development and director of new product planning for Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Ingelheim, Germany, and has held senior financial and administrative positions at Yale University School of Medicine. Lackstrom has an MBA degree from Boston University.

As the Hamel Center's first director, Lackstrom will be in a unique position to focus the center's outreach

efforts to assist state and regional businesses, high-tech startups and industry, Bolander noted. "The opportunity is there for the Whittemore School's Hamel Center to take a strong leadership role in developing leaders who both understand and can manage technology, and who will effectively integrate technology-based ideas and products into new and existing businesses. It promises to be an exciting time for all of us," the dean added.

UNH established the Hamel Center for the Management of Technology and Innovation with a \$7 million gift from Dana A. and Kathryn P. Hamel. Its mission is to establish UNH as a leader in providing integrated interdisciplinary management and technology programs for students and professionals.

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