

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

NICHOLAS SILEO

Biographical Sketch

Dr. Nicholas Sileo serves as Dean of Student Services at Florida International University. His appointment to that position was approved by the Board of Regents on July 10, 1970.

Dr. Sileo had served as Director of Community Affairs at the University since September, 1969. He played a key role in the University's early planning and was also involved in formulating the academic program and in recruiting the initial staff.

His appointment represents a new departure from the usual Dean of Students appointment. Dr. Sileo holds faculty rank in the College of Arts and Sciences and will teach in the classroom on a regular basis.

In addition, he is working with the Vice President for Academic Affairs and the academic deans in development of curricula relevant to student needs and aspirations.

Dr. Sileo's duties include admission programs for undergraduate and graduate students; coordination of intercollegiate and intramural athletic programs; development of student counseling centers; financial aid; work programs and placement activities; and other student service activities.

A native of Chester, Pennsylvania, he received his Ph.D. in Sociology from Florida State University, a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, Rochester, New York, and a Bachelor of Arts from Bucknell University.

He is a veteran of World War II and was twice wounded in the African and Italian campaigns.

He has done extensive work with court agencies on juvenile and adult rehabilitation and was the recipient of the Council of Social Agencies Special Citation Award in Indiana.

He served for five years as director of a slum-center community settlement in Bloomington, Indiana. From 1957 to 1959 he was associate minister of Miami Shores Community Church, in addition to directing youth work and counseling. For five years, starting in 1960, he taught humanities at the University of Miami.

He was Coordinator for Social Sciences for the State University System of Florida prior to coming to Florida International in 1969.

Dr. Sileo and his wife, Nida, a teacher in the Dade secondary school system, have two boys and two girls, and reside in Opa Locka.

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