Biography

Joe Colletti,
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Joe Colletti is the senior associate dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Iowa State University and the associate director of the Iowa Agriculture and Home Economics Experiment Station. In those roles, he oversees budgets, resources and personnel for the college and the Experiment Station, and facilitates research related to the bioeconomy, including development of the university’s BioCentury Research Farm, as well as initiatives in Big Data and other research priorities.

He resumed those duties after serving as interim endowed dean’s chair of the college from November 2017 to February 2019.

Colletti joined Iowa State in 1978 as a member of the forestry department faculty. He served as interim chair of the Department of Natural Resource Ecology and Management from 2004-2005 and was appointed senior associate dean in 2006.

His research areas focus on the economics of agroforestry, management of streamside buffer systems on farmland and biorenewable resources. He has taught undergraduate and graduate courses in forestry and natural resources economics, decision-making and management.

Colletti earned his doctorate and his master’s degree in forest economics from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He earned his bachelor’s degree in forestry at Humboldt State University.

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