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Bruce W. Barton, painter, teacher and administrator, has been appointed chairman of the University of Montana Art Department, Dean Charles W. Bolen of the School of Fine Arts announced.

Rudy Autio will continue as acting chairman until Barton assumes his duties as professor and chairman in September.

As acting chairman of the large, multipurpose Ohio State University Division of Art, Barton has administrative responsibility for the art programs on the university's five campuses. He was elected by the faculty to this position last year after having served for a year as assistant to the director of the School of Art. He had previously taught at the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada, and East Texas State University.

Barton's oil paintings have won prizes in regional, national and international exhibitions. He has had one-man shows in California, Texas, Washington and Canada.

He is the author of a textbook, "The Discrete Context and Other Notions," and co-author of a series of film strips. The latter, dealing with general education in art, will be released soon by the publishers, Charles Merrill Co. and Bell and Howell.

Barton has had experience as an industrial designer, including a year as art director for the Boeing Co., Seattle, Wash. He worked in San Diego, Calif., in a community enterprise with local industrial leaders in producing motion pictures, film strips, study guides and overhead projection

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transparencies. These industries included the Scripps Institute of Oceanography, Bell Telephone, Salk Foundation, the San Diego Zoo and harbor shipbuilding industries.

Barton holds a bachelor of fine arts degree from San Francisco Art Institute, where he studied with James Weeks, Richard Diebenkorn and Julius Hatofsky. He earned an M.A. from San Diego State College. He received a certificate from the U. S. Naval School of Photography, Pensacola, Fla.

He was an aerial photographer in the Navy from 1954 to 1958, carrying out assignments in Korea, Japan, the Philippines, China, Okinawa and Hawaii.

Barton is married and the father of one son.