



Professor Michael Adams



June 21, 2012 -- The IAUP Board of Directors is saddened to report the death of Dr. J. Michael Adams, President of the International Association of University Presidents.

Prior to his inauguration as IAUP president for the 2011-14 Triennium, Adams served the organization as Chairperson of the North American Council (NAC) and as a member of the IAUP Executive Committee. Under his leadership, IAUP was incorporated as registered charity in the United Kingdom. The organization also embarked on bold new initiatives, including the WISE Education Leadership Program, which provides leadership training for newly appointed university presidents in the developing world, and the IAUP/Microsoft Academic Summit, which helps equip university leaders around the world to more effectively use technology to address institutional challenges.

In addition to serving as president of IAUP, Adams served as President of Fairleigh Dickinson University (FDU). During Adams' presidency, FDU created a new global education mission; raised enrollment; established a new campus in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada; dedicated \$135 million to new facilities and campus improvements; and successfully concluded the largest capital campaign in FDU's history.