





## PROF. FERNANDO GALVAN

Dr. Fernando Galvan is a distinguished educator, currently a Professor of English Literature at the University of Alcala, Madrid (Spain), after acting as Rector of this University for the period 2010-2018.

Dr. Galvan had a distinguished and extensive teaching and research career in Spain and Europe, covering English fiction, Medieval and Renaissance Studies, literary translation from English into Spanish, as well as comparative literary and cultural studies for English-speaking and Spanish-speaking countries, having authored some thirty books and more than a hundred articles and book chapters in those fields. In the period 1996-2002 he chaired the Spanish Association for Anglo-American Studies (AEDEAN), and during 2007-2013 he was the President of the European Society for the Study of English (ESSE).

In 1993 and 1994 Dr. Galvan acted as a Visiting Scholar at the Department of Comparative Literature of Harvard University; in 2003 was appointed as Corresponding Fellow (FEA) of The English Association, in the UK; and in 2009-2010 Visiting Fellow of Corpus Christi College, and Associate Member of the Faculty of English of the University of Oxford. He has also been distinguished with the Academic Order "Simon Bolivar" by Simon Bolivar University in Colombia (2010); with an Honorary Diploma from the Federal University of the South in Rostov, Russia (2011); as Honorary Member of the University of La Serena, in Chile (2012); as Distinguished Visitor of the National University Pedro Henriquez Ureña, Dominican Republic (2016); and as Honorary Fellow of the National Academy of History and Geography of the Autonomous National University of Mexico (UNAM) (2016).

Dr. Galvan has been awarded Honorary Doctorates from the University of Glasgow (DLitt, 2012), the National Autonomous University of Nicaragua in Leon (2012), the National University of Villarrica del Espiritu Santo in Paraguay (2014), San Sebastian University in Chile (2016), and the National University of Political Studies and Public Administration in Bucharest, Romania (2017). He has received the Order of Bernardo O'Higgins in the category of Commander from the President of the Republic of Chile (November 2013), which is the highest civilian honour awarded to non-Chilean citizens. In January 2018 Queen Elizabeth II appointed him honorary Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for his services to UK-Spain educational ties.

Dr. Galvan is currently Secretary-General-Elect of the International Association of University Presidents (IAUP) for 2020-2023.