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Inspiring the Next Generation of Leaders in Health Care



Michael V. Drake

Please join us for the second annual
Dean's Distinguished Lecture

“Higher Education, Healthcare and The Future of America”

Thursday, March 30, 2017 at 5:30pm
Western University of Health Sciences campus
Health Education Center
Lecture Hall 1

Dr. Michael V. Drake is the 15th president of The Ohio State University.

His vision for the university's future focuses on access, affordability and excellence—with an emphasis on groundbreaking research and modern and effective teaching. Other focus areas include deepening the university's community engagement and advancing inclusive excellence and diversity.

He has been a leader in higher education for nearly four decades, serving as chancellor of the University of California, Irvine, for nine years prior to his arrival at Ohio State. During his tenure, Dr. Drake made significant progress that resulted in Irvine being recognized as a national leader in increasing minority enrollment and sustainability. In 2014, UC Irvine ranked No. 1 nationally on Sierra Magazine's list of the "Ten Coolest Schools" for improving energy efficiency and sustainability.

Dr. Drake is a member of the National Academy of Medicine and the American Academy of Arts & Sciences. He has been named vice chair of the Association of American Universities for 2016-17 and will serve as chair for 2017-18. He currently serves on the AAU Membership Committee and is completing a three-year term on the board of directors. He also serves in leadership roles for the University Innovation Alliance, National Collegiate Athletic Association and BIG 10 and as chair of the Council of Presidents of the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities. In 2015, he was appointed to the board of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.



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