

RIVIER AWARDS HONORARY DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS TO THREE DISTINGUISHED LEADERS AT COMMENCEMENT 2013

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Dr. Philip Altbach

In celebration of the importance of global engagement, **Dr. Philip Altbach** was presented with an honorary degree and delivered the Commencement address during the ceremony. Beyond academia, Dr. Altbach advocates the transformative benefits of higher education in the United States and abroad. He has played a seminal role in Boston College's rise to a position of pre-eminence in international

education. From the beginning of his career with a dissertation defended at the University of Chicago analyzing Bombay, India as a case study of higher education in developing countries, Dr. Altbach's research interests have focused on the global impact of higher education.

Established in 1995, the Center for International Higher Education is a global resource for information and analysis about higher education and best practices in the field. In addition to his role as director, Dr. Altbach is J. Donald Monan, S.J. University Professor at Boston College. He was the 2004-2006 Distinguished Scholar Leader for the New Century Scholars initiative of the Fulbright program.

He is the recipient of several prestigious awards and fellowships, many of which have taken him abroad. His publications address challenges and opportunities in global education relating to students and faculty.



Mayor Donnalee Lozeau

In recognition of her leadership of Rivier's home city, the University presented an honorary degree to **Mayor Donnalee Lozeau**. This presentation highlighted the University's commitment to serving as an economic development partner and providing community service opportunities for students to enhance the quality of life enjoyed by the citizens of Nashua.

A third generation resident of Nashua, The Honorable Donnalee Lozeau has served the Nashua community her entire life, first as a dedicated citizen, committed volunteer, and entrepreneur; and currently as the city's chief executive.

Her belief in open and accessible government has contributed to her success as Mayor of the city of Nashua, first elected by her hometown constituents in 2007 and reelected in 2011. She invites citizens to engage in the workings of government, calling upon her constituents to take part in problem solving and community development opportunities.

In addition, she was recognized nationally for her efforts to bring sustainable energy to Nashua, and has worked to meet the challenges of the economy while focusing on education.



Dr. Jamison Hoff

The University also recognized the leadership of **Dr. Jamison Hoff**, who recently concluded a 10 year term as chair of the Rivier Board of Trustees.

An alumna of the University of California at Santa Barbara where she earned her Ph.D. in 1973 as a Regent's Fellow, Dr. Hoff also held a post-doctoral fellowship from 1973 to 1975 in cell biology and

cytochemistry at the Yale University School of Medicine.

During this time, she published numerous scientific articles. An interest in lifelong learners led to her appointment as National Project Director of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges. In addition to publishing several articles, she edited the association's book, Policies for Lifelong Education.

Because of her extensive experience in postsecondary planning, policy-making, and assessment, she was invited to serve on numerous educational committees and boards on both the regional and national levels. She is the recipient of many honors and awards, most recently the 2012 Founders Award from the Applewild School on whose Board of Trustees she served for 17 years, 12 of those years as Chair of its Development Committee. ■