

David Belford of Fanshawe to receive 2014 OCASA Distinguished Administrator Award



David Belford, Dean of Faculty of Business at Fanshawe, has been awarded the 2014 OCASA Distinguished Administrator Award by an independent selection committee of OCASA members. He will receive the award June 23 at the 2014 OCASA Leaders & Innovators Conference at King City.

The OCASA Distinguished Administrator Award recognizes administrators who have demonstrated distinguished administrative performance, showing outstanding leadership, consistent professionalism and overall effectiveness.

During his seven years as Dean, revenues of the Faculty of Business have more than doubled, international student enrolment has grown to 800, total programs have increased from 24 to 42, while graduation rates and student satisfaction has improved.

David serves on numerous college committees, is past-president of the Fanshawe Administrative Staff Association, and is currently provincial president of OCASA.

"David is an inclusive and motivational leader," said his nominators. "He seeks fairness and motivational positive programs for administration at Fanshawe and across Ontario." He helped facilitate the roll out of the BIZ Inc. entrepreneurship initiative for Fanshawe and is an active board member.

In the London, Ont. community David has served on various committees, including Oxford Streetscape Committee, London Venture Group, and is an inaugural member of the Awesome London Foundation. He is a past director of the London Chamber of Commerce as well as a soccer coach, and a warden and member of the parish council of the Church of St. Jude.

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The OCASA Professional Development Conference, *Leaders & Innovators 2014: Finding Focus in a Complex World*, will be held June 23 at Kingbridge Conference Centre & Institute.

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For more information about the awards program, visit: <u>http://www.ocasa.on.ca/about-us/awards</u>



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