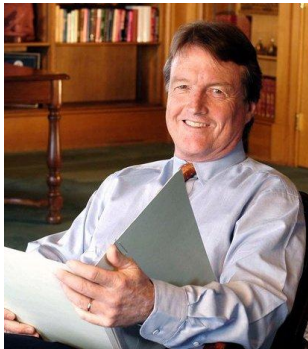


UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS AND CHANCELLORS ENDORSE IE



"I'm proud that The University of Texas at Austin is home to the Intellectual Entrepreneurship consortium (IE). Since 1997, the consortium has strived to live out the highest ideals of academic life. Whether helping students find their true passion, exposing first-generation college students to the world of graduate studies, or enabling students to better serve society, the consortium has touched the lives of undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty members in profound ways. I look forward to seeing how this initiative continues to inform our national dialogue about the role of higher education in society, and I encourage the support of this important work."

Bill Powers, University of Texas President



"Never has it been more important to foster partnerships among all types of public and private entities. The Intellectual Entrepreneurship program leverages collaborations to meaningful effect, finding the confluence of common sense and common will."

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FW1TFV30ZXg>

E. Gordon Gee, Ohio State University President



"IE is right in the center of all that I see as positive about the role of higher education today and the re-definition of what it means to be entrepreneurial and civically engaged."

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GwLOQzxEzY0>

Syracuse Chancellor Nancy Cantor



"Civic engagement, entrepreneurship and cross disciplinary studies are critical components of higher education in the 21st century, and IE is providing essential and creative leadership to achieve these goals. I applaud this effort."

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GZvgZ3dZo_4

Mark G. Yudof, President, University of California



"UT's Intellectual Entrepreneurship project (IE) leads nationally, especially in attracting a diverse student population to the critical areas of science and technology. IE provides best practices in mentorship and research, leading the way in meeting the challenge of preparing an educated workforce to meet the needs of the 21st century."

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-rFee_A_65I

Stanford University President John Hennessy



"University of Texas' Intellectual Entrepreneurship Consortium is a model for campuses across the country that seek to integrate civic engagement into arts and humanities education."

Mary Sue Coleman, President of the University of Michigan



"The tradition of civic engagement has driven our public universities since their inception. Today, connecting higher education's intellectual pursuits with public needs is more important than ever. Our students, our faculty and staff, our communities, and our greater society all benefit greatly when we apply our knowledge and discoveries to better lives for all. I applaud UT's Intellectual Entrepreneurship (IE) initiative for doing this so successfully."

**Sally Mason, President
The University of Iowa**



"Intellectual Entrepreneurship (IE) is a way for research universities to reach their fullest potential. Complex problems call for an interdisciplinary approach, bringing diverse ideas and perspectives to the table--just as IE does at UT".

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vqODAJ9NGVY>

University of North Carolina Chancellor Holden Thorp



"Celebrating diversity, interdisciplinary collaboration, and innovation across the entirety of the academic community is essential if universities are to fulfill their fundamental mission of public service. That is the approach embraced by the Intellectual Entrepreneurship consortium. Educators who work with IE are reminded that the role of the university is not simply to teach, but also to serve as an agent for change. The work of the consortium is succeeding in developing citizen-scholars and offers a helpful guide for institutions of higher education seeking to expand partnerships between the academy and society."

Lee C. Bollinger, President, Columbia University



"Unless colleges and universities are to appear as removed from the frontlines of change as the most remote monasteries of the Middle Ages, they must embrace a new entrepreneurial academic culture such as that advanced by Richard Cherwitz and the Intellectual Entrepreneurship Consortium at the University of Texas at Austin. The concept of the "citizen-scholar" that the Intellectual Entrepreneurship program advances should serve as a model for institutions nationwide."

Michael M. Crow, President, Arizona State University



"We at Michigan State University have closely observed and admired the evolution of the IE agenda. The confluence of research, teaching, and community involvement helps students become engaged entrepreneurs, linking knowledge obtained from across the disciplines with opportunities to serve as intellectual catalysts for change. This 'active application' of knowledge to improve lives is at the core of our shared vision of higher education."

Lou Anna Simon, President, Michigan State University