

Dr. Mark A. Emmert became the fifth president of the NCAA in October 2010. Prior to assuming his current role, Emmert had been president of his alma mater, University of Washington, since 2004 where he led the university to its standing as second among all public and private institutions in research funding with more than \$1 billion in grants and contracts per year. During his tenure, the university also concluded a \$2.6 billion fundraising campaign. Before returning to his alma mater, Emmert was chancellor of Louisiana State University from 1999 to 2004.

Among his administrative appointments in higher education, Emmert was chief academic officer and operating officer at the University of Connecticut (1995 to 1999), provost and vice president for academic affairs at Montana State University (1992 to 1995), and associate vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of Colorado (1985 to 1992).

Emmert is a member of the Higher Education Working Group on Global Issues as part of the Council on Foreign Relations, of which he is a Life Member. He is also a Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration.

Previously, Emmert was an American Council on Education Fellow, and a J. W. Fulbright Administrative Fellow. Additionally, he chaired the Executive Group of the Worldwide Universities Network, and served on the National Security Higher Education Advisory Board. He has written extensively on higher education and public administration over a career that spans the last 30 years.

A Washington native, President Emmert earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from the University of Washington and has both a master's degree and a Ph.D in public administration from Syracuse University.

Emmert and his wife, DeLaine, have two adult children, Jennifer and Stephen.