

## Biographical Statement of William B. Harvey

William B. Harvey holds simultaneous appointments as Distinguished Fellow in the Center for Educational Innovation and Improvement at the University of Maryland and as Distinguished Scholar at the American Association for Access, Equity and Diversity in Washington, DC. He returned to the latter organization after serving as the Rector of Danubius University in Galati, Romania, where he was the first African American to ever lead a European institution of higher learning.

An internationally recognized researcher and administrator, Harvey has focused on the cultural and social factors that affect underserved populations, with particular emphasis on college and university settings. With five decades of experiences in the academic and non-profit sectors, he has been actively engaged in a broad range of activities, and his list of publications includes books, book chapters, refereed journal articles, reports, commissioned papers, and professional and technical reviews. His most recent scholarly production is “Maneuvering Through the Maze: Pursuing Promotion to Full Professor” in **Rising to Full Professor: Pathways for Faculty of Color**, Caroline Turner and Christine Stanley, eds. Stylus Publications (2024). In addition, he is featured in an extensive interview in **Chief Diversity Officers in Higher Education Today: Narratives of Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion**, Carol Henderson, ed. Routledge (2024). Harvey also recently concluded a series of columns examining contemporary diversity considerations in colleges and universities for publication in **Diverse Issues in Higher Education**. <https://www.diverseeducation.com/authors/contact/15543968/william-b-harvey?page=1>

Other administrative positions held besides that of Rector have been as Provost/Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs at Rosemont College; Vice President for Diversity and Equity at the University of Virginia (UVA); Vice President and Director of the Center for Advancement of Racial and Ethnic Equity at the American Council on Education (ACE); Dean of the School of Education and Deputy Chancellor for Education Partnerships at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM); Dean of the School of Education at North Carolina A&T State University (A&T), Assistant Vice Provost for Undergraduate Studies at Stony Brook University, and director of the W.E.B. DuBois residential program at the University of Pennsylvania. His academic appointments have included tenured full professor positions at UVA, UWM, A&T, and at North Carolina State University.

On the international scene, in 2017, Harvey was one of two Americans invited to serve as a faculty member at the International Summer School held at the University of Electronic Science and Technology in Chengdu, China, and in 2013 he was a member of the Delegation of Educators to the Peoples Republic of China sponsored by the College Board. He was also a member of the People-to-People Delegation to South Africa, organized in conjunction with the

American Sociological Association in 2008; a representative of the U.S. State Department to the First International Conference on University Education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century in Istanbul; and a delegate to the Fourth African American Summit in Ghana and the Fifth African American Summit in Zimbabwe.

While at the University of Virginia, Harvey founded the Virginia-North Carolina Alliance for Minority Participation, a consortium of predominantly white research universities and historically black colleges and universities, which was funded by a \$5 million grant from the National Science Foundation. During his career, he also received funding for various projects from the National Institutes of Health; the U. S. Department of Education; the Goldman Sachs Foundation; the Lumina Foundation; the Ford Foundation; the Metropolitan Life Foundation, the Coca-Cola Foundation; the General Electric Fund; the Joyce Foundation; and the Daniels Fund.

He has served as chair of the Education Advisory Committee of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and he has been a Visiting Associate at the Smithsonian Institution; an American Council on Education Fellow; an Institute for Educational Leadership Fellow; and a Research Fellow at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford University. In addition, he served as the CEO of the International Reading Association. The founding President of the National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education, Harvey has also been a board member of the National Council for Research on Women; the American Association for Blacks in Higher Education; the Yale-Howard Center on Health Disparities; the Study of New Scholars Project at Harvard University; the W. E. B. DuBois Scholars project at Princeton University; the Site Support for Schools project at Johns Hopkins University; the Martin Luther King Living History and Public Policy Center; America's Black Holocaust Museum, and Capella University.

Harvey received a bachelor's degree in English from West Chester University, a master's degree in Social and Philosophical Foundations and a doctoral degree in Anthropology of Education, from Rutgers University. He was also awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree from the Chicago School of Professional Psychology and has been listed in *Who's Who in the World*.