



International Association of University Presidents North American Council

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We are pleased to announce that the new Chair of the North American Council (NAC) is Don Betz, President of Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. On August 1, Don will become the 20th President of the University of Central Oklahoma. Previously, Don was Chancellor at the University of Wisconsin—River Falls from 2005 to 2008 and from 1999 to 2005 he was Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond. He served as the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Palmer College in Davenport, Iowa from 1994 to 1999.



Northeastern State University is located in Tahlequah, Oklahoma which is also the capital of the Cherokee Nation. Northeastern State University was originally founded by the Cherokee Nation in 1846 as male and female seminaries.

From 1982—2003 Don Betz worked for and with the United Nations. Among his duties was the creation and expansion of an important non—governmental organization (NGO) network pursuing peace in the Middle East. From 1982 through 1984 he served with the United Nations as a Political and Liaison Officer focusing on the Question of Palestine.

Don will be assisted by his wife Susanne in managing the North American Council. They may be reached by email at betzdb@sbcglobal.net.

On June 20, 2001, Michael Adams, the former Chair of NAC, becomes international president of IAUP.