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Vice-President (Research)
Dr. Ed McCauley

Ed McCauley returned to the University of Calgary after being appointed vice-president (research) on July 1, 2011.

Ed was a professor in the Department of Biological Sciences for nearly 30 years, and came back to his new role after serving as director of the prestigious National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

He is an internationally-recognized scholar and researcher with a long and distinguished career as a leader in developing innovative, interdisciplinary research centres, partnerships and projects. He is one of the world’s foremost researchers in the field of population ecology, with a particular focus on water issues. Ed is a highly sought-after external peer reviewer across North America and has received many awards and accolades, including a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

Ed was a founding co-director of the Alberta Ingenuity Centre for Water Research, which brought together researchers from science, engineering, law and social sciences to tackle fundamental issues related to water. He was also the project leader and principal investigator for the Advancing Canada’s Wastewater Assets project—a unique partnership between the University of Calgary and the City of Calgary to lead the world in advanced wastewater treatment, and one of the largest research infrastructure projects undertaken at the University of Calgary.

Ed has a track record of cultivating broad-based, long-term national and international relationships with industry, community, and government. This is a critical focus for the university as it works towards creating new models of commercialization, attracting and retaining the world’s best researchers and enhancing its reputation across Canada and around the world.