

2012 DECEMBER GRADUATION CEREMONIES

**Saturday 15 December 2012, 10.00am
UQ Centre, Union Road, St Lucia**

Faculty of Health Sciences

CITATION

**Award of Doctor of Medicine *honoris causa*
Dr Sam Hawgood**

Chancellor,

Dr Sam Hawgood is a UQ alumnus who holds one of the world's most influential medical academic positions, as Dean of Medicine and Vice Chancellor of Medical Affairs at the University of California San Francisco (UCSF).

He graduated from UQ in 1975 with First Class Honours in a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, and undertook specialist paediatric training at the Royal Children's Hospital in Brisbane. After additional clinical training in Melbourne followed by Hong Kong, he returned to Australia as a paediatric registrar and Neonatal Fellow.

He began at UCSF as a Research Fellow at the Cardiovascular Research Institute in 1982 and was appointed to faculty two years later, establishing his own research group.

His work received long-term funding and a program grant from the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute and his published work is high in both volume and quality, with five papers cited over 300 times.

The principal focus of Dr Hawgood's career has been children's health. He became a full Professor of Pediatrics in 1994, and his service since then has included Chief of Neonatology at the UCSF Children's Hospital, Physician in Chief, and chair of the Department of Pediatrics.

Among Dr Hawgood's numerous accolades are the Exceptional Physician Award from the UCSF Medical Centre, a Distinguished Service Award from the Society for Pediatric Research, and a young investigator award from the American Lung Association. In 2010, he was named a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences.

He is a member of the Oversight Committee of the California Institute of Regenerative Medicine, has been President of the Pediatric Research Society, has given the Sir Peter Tizzard Memorial Lecture at the University of Oxford, and served on study sections for the National Institute of Health.

Dr Hawgood has also had a significant impact on medical philanthropy.

Chancellor, in recognition of his distinguished career and his contribution to The University of Queensland, I present to you Dr Sam Hawgood, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery from The University of Queensland, for the award of Doctor of Medicine *honoris causa* bestowed by the Senate of The University of Queensland.