

**CITATION**  
**Award of the Degree of**  
**Doctor of Science *honoris causa***  
**Professor Michael McRobbie**

Chancellor,

Professor Michael McRobbie is an internationally renowned scientist and researcher in information technology, specifically in the fields of high-performance computing and networking, automated reasoning, computational logic, proof theory and symbolic computation.

He has been one of the leading Australian experts in advanced computation and networking since the mid-1980s and in 2004, was named as one of the Premier 100 IT leaders by *Computer World Magazine*.

He recently began his appointment as the 18th President of Indiana University which was founded in 1820. With 100,000 students, it is one of the largest universities in the United States and a member of the Association of American Universities, the premier group of research universities in North America.

For almost 30 years, he has held senior academic or administrative posts at Australian and American universities including CEO and Executive Director of the Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) for Advanced Computational Systems at the Australian National University from 1992 and 1996, where he was also a Professor in Information Science in the Institute for Advanced Studies.

In 1997, he was appointed to the position of Vice President for Information Technology and CIO at Indiana University, where he then became Vice President for Research in 2003, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs in 2006, and President in 2007.

At Indiana University, he is also Professor of Computer Science, Professor of Informatics and Professor of Philosophy, Adjunct Professor of Cognitive Science and Adjunct Professor of Library and Information Science, and Professor of Computer Technology in the Purdue School of Engineering at Indiana University's Indianapolis campus.

His is the first sitting President at Indiana University to be made an honorary member of the University's Alliance of Distinguished and Titled Professors. In October 2007, he was made a Sagamore of the Wabash, the highest honour the State of Indiana can bestow.

Professor McRobbie holds a Bachelor of Arts with First Class Honours from The University of Queensland and a Doctor of Philosophy from the Australian National University.

His academic career has focused primarily on information technology, however, he has demonstrated a continuing strong interest in and commitment to the humanities and was recently elected an honorary member of the Australian Academy of Humanities.

He has also had a substantial involvement in the development of the life and health sciences in Indiana and is a member of the Boards of the Clarian Hospital system – one of the largest in the United States – and the Riley Hospital for Children, one of America's leading children's hospitals.

Professor McRobbie has shown strong support for the University and made major contributions to the development of computer science.

Chancellor, in recognition of his distinguished career and contribution to the development of computer science, I present to you Professor Michael McRobbie, Bachelor of Arts with First Class Honours from The University of Queensland, and a Doctor of Philosophy from the Australian National University, for the award of Doctor of Science *honoris causa* to which he has been admitted by the Senate of the University.