

Dr. Christine M. Hammond

Dr. Christine M. Hammond was appointed to serve as the President of Mid Michigan College on June 24, 2014. Prior to assuming these responsibilities, Dr. Hammond was the Chief Academic Officer for North Central Michigan College, a community college in Petoskey, Michigan. In that role, she provided leadership for North Central's academic program, including accreditation; curricular development; faculty recruitment, selection, and development; the College's Corporate and Community Education division, its off-campus centers, library and instructional technology. She collaborated with faculty and staff across the College to lead student success strategies in conjunction with the College's *Achieving the Dream* initiative.



Dr. Hammond's career has encompassed numerous leadership experiences in student and academic affairs across a variety of institutional settings with significant expertise in institutional research, curriculum alignment and development, and strategic planning.

President Hammond holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Thiel College (1977), a Master of Arts degree in College Student Personnel from Bowling Green State University (1978), and a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration from Michigan State University (1994). Her dissertation on service learning, faculty motivation, and organizational design, "Integrating Service and Academic Study: Faculty Motivation and Satisfaction in Michigan Higher Education," appeared in the inaugural issue of the *Michigan Journal of Community Service Learning* v. 1, no. 1 (Fall 1994).

She began her career in residence life and student affairs, serving as an Assistant Dean of Students at Thiel College (Greenville, Pennsylvania) and Associate Dean of Students at Lawrence University (Appleton, Wisconsin). After earning her doctorate at Michigan State University, she led the Office of Faculty Development at Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing, Michigan, and then served as Executive Director for Administrative Affairs at the Michigan State University College of Law during a period of significant change. In both settings, she was instrumental in designing systems, policies, and procedures for effective institutional management. At MSU College of Law, a private law school on a public campus, she helped build the interface between the two institutions, serving as the primary point of contact between the Law College Board of Trustees and the governing units of the University.

Prior to assuming her current position, Dr. Hammond served for three years as Senior Project Coordinator for Michigan State University's initiative in Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. Through numerous trips between East Lansing, Michigan and Dubai she coordinated the curricular offerings and academic services for the Dubai site, built a strong international team of faculty and staff members, and helped students from the Middle East start on a pathway to higher education that had not previously been available.

Chris is committed to community service, including current commitments as a member of the Clare Rotary, the MSU Extension Advisory Council, and the Harrison Women's Association. She has served on the Executive Board of the ACE Michigan Network for Women since 1999, served as the State Coordinator for the Network from 2007-2009, and is currently a Presidential Sponsor. Dr. Hammond is a peer reviewer for the Higher Learning Commission.

Dr. Hammond's husband Tom is a professor of political science at Michigan State University. They are the proud parents of Stuart Hammond, a student at the University of Michigan and Emily Baldie, who holds a Master's in Public Health with expertise in health department accreditation.