

Dr. Flavius R. W. Lilly is a seasoned academic leader and scholar with more than 25 years of experience advancing institutional excellence, innovation, and student success. A native Ohioan who began his academic journey in the Miami Valley, he earned his B.S. in Biology from Wright State University, followed by a MPH in Epidemiology from Drexel University, a MA in Applied Sociology and a PhD in Gerontology from the University of Maryland. He also completed executive education in Higher Education Leadership at Harvard University and holds an additional certification in Intercultural Leadership.

As Provost at McDaniel College in Maryland, Dr. Lilly oversees Academic and Student Affairs leading strategic initiatives that have strengthened enrollment, academic innovation, and community partnerships. He has partnered with faculty and administrative colleagues to launch new programs in Nursing, Health Sciences, Occupational Therapy, Speech-Language Pathology, and Early Childhood Education. He is an active part of the College's current \$50 million fundraising campaign, cultivating donors and seeking support for the College's strategic initiatives.

Previously, Dr. Lilly served as Vice Provost for Academic and Student Affairs and Vice Dean of the Graduate School at the University of Maryland, Baltimore, where he led the creation of more than 30 new academic programs and established the Graduate Research Innovation District (GRID) to drive academic entrepreneurship. His scholarly work in human development, aging, and college student health has appeared in leading journals, reflecting a career dedicated to connecting research, education, and impact on student success. Dr. Lilly's leadership is defined by fiscal stewardship, collaborative governance, and an unwavering belief in access, equity, and innovation.