



Professor Judith Kinnear Class of 1956

Professor Judith Kinnear's qualifications include a Bachelor of Science, Master of Science and PhD (Genetics), all from the University of Melbourne, a Bachelor of Education (La Trobe University) and Graduate Diploma in Computer Simulation (Swinburne). Judith also holds a Graduate Diploma in Forensic Studies conferred by the University of Canberra in 2016. In 2015, Swinburne University of Technology awarded Judith an Honorary Doctorate in recognition of her significant contribution to science and higher education. She is also a Fellow of The Linnaean Society of London.

Judith has held the position of Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International) and Foundation Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Sydney and Director of Studies in the Faculty of Health Sciences at La Trobe University. Judith's professional endeavours culminated with her appointment as Vice Chancellor of Massey University in 2003, making her the first female to lead a University in New Zealand. She has also been influential in the area of curriculum development through her collaboration with Biological Sciences Curriculum Study (BSCS) in the United States and is the author of several textbooks and prize-winning educational software packages.

Judith is a founding member of the Leaders-Women International Network (L-WIN), established in 2008 under the leadership of Chancellor Noriko Mizuta of Josai University, Japan and a foreign member of the Council of the Women Leadership Academy set up in Beijing in 2013. She is an active member and patron of various organisations and supports a number of charitable organisations and community groups. Judith also sponsors a Travel Scholarship awarded annually, at Swinburne University of Technology, to a post graduate student in the Faculty of Science, Engineering and Technology.