

Garnett S. Stokes



Garnett Stokes earned the B.A. in 1977 at Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, TN. She majored in Psychology and minored in Political Science. She earned the M.S. (1980) and Ph.D. (1982) Degrees in Applied Psychology at UGA focusing on Industrial and Organizational Psychology.

Dr. Stokes was hired as a tenure-track Assistant Professor in the UGA Department of Psychology in 1985. She was promoted to Associate Professor in 1990 and to Professor in 1997. In addition to two books, by 2014 she had published 42 peer-reviewed articles, chapters, and reports in academic publications, and she had published 50 industrial and organizational technical reports. Dr. Stokes became an expert in leadership training and hiring practices, and she worked with police and fire departments, numerous Fortune 500 companies, and the U. S. Department of Labor.

Dr. Stokes chaired UGA's Applied Psychology Program (renamed Industrial-Organizational Psychology in 2011) from 1991-1999. From 1999-2004, she was UGA Psychology Department Head, and from 2004-2011, she was Dean of the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences at UGA.

In 2011, Dr. Stokes accepted the position of Provost & Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs at Florida State University (FSU) in Tallahassee, FL. For several months in 2014, she served as Interim President of FSU. In August 2014, she accepted the position of Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost at the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO, where she remains today.