

# Dr. Glenn Feltham

## Academic Leadership

Dr. Glenn Feltham was appointed President and CEO of the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) in 2011. As NAIT's sixth president he has led the institute toward its vision of becoming one of the world's leading polytechnics, with a focus on relevance and responsiveness. Under Dr. Feltham's leadership, NAIT plays an essential role in strengthening Alberta's and Canada's economies through hands-on, technology-based education and applied research in partnership with industry.

Beyond his role as President and CEO of NAIT, Dr. Feltham has played a leading role in advancing the post-secondary system in Canada and Alberta. He was Chair of Polytechnics Canada, a national organization which works to elevate the place of polytechnic education and applied research in Canada, and advance our country's skills agenda. He also Chaired the Council of Post-Secondary Presidents of Alberta (COPPOA). COPPOA works across all of Alberta's post-secondary institutions to continue building the strongest possible system.

Dr. Feltham has a long history of excellence in academic leadership. Prior to joining NAIT, Dr. Feltham served as Dean of the I.H. Asper School of Business at the University of Manitoba. Previously, he was the department head of Accounting at the Edwards School of Business at the University of Saskatchewan; a Professor at the University of Saskatchewan, where he held the prestigious PotashCorp Chair for Saskatchewan Enterprise and the director of undergraduate business programs in the School of Business and Economics at Wilfrid Laurier University.

In addition to strong leadership skills, Dr. Feltham has varied research interests spanning business disciplines including tax planning and policy and financial disclosure.

Dr. Feltham's educational background is extensive. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Alberta, a Bachelor of Science with a major in Business Administration and an MBA from the University of Montana, an LLB from Queen's University Faculty of Law and a PhD from the School of Accountancy at the University of Waterloo.

## Professional Leadership

Professionally, Dr. Feltham's background is in law and in accounting. He completed his legal training, and became a Barrister and Solicitor in Alberta. Primarily, though, his professional contributions are in accounting. He holds a designation as a Certified Management Accountant (now CPA CMA) and was recognized as a Fellow of the Society of Management Accountants of Canada (now FCPA FCMA).

He has served the accounting profession in many capacities, including as President of the Canadian Academic Accounting Association, and as chair of the Board of Trustees of the CMA Canada Research Foundation. He chaired the committee to develop CMA Canada's competency map. Further, he was co-chair of a Joint Certification Task Force to create a certification and transition structure for the proposed merger of the CA and CMA accounting professions.

## **Community Leadership**

Beyond contributions to academic leadership and the legal and accounting professions, Dr. Feltham's career has also been defined by service to community. This includes contributions to culture, economic prosperity, social welfare, public service, and policy development.

Dr. Feltham is passionate about culture and its important role in Canada. He served as the chair of the Board of Canada's Royal Winnipeg Ballet and was a board member for five years.

He has volunteered his time to help build economic prosperity in Canada, with a focus on skills development. He currently serves on the board of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, as well as on the board of the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce. Previously, he served on the board of the Winnipeg Airports Authority.

Assisting others in need is important to Dr. Feltham, as illustrated through his contributions to the United Way in Winnipeg and in Edmonton. He served as co-chair of the Universities and Colleges Division of the Campaign Cabinet for the United Way of Winnipeg, and was a member of the Campaign Cabinet for the United Way of Alberta Capital Region.

Dr. Feltham has also been involved in public service. He is currently a member of the Governing Council of the Standards Council of Canada, a federal crown corporation. Previously, he was a board member with the Crown Corporations Council of Manitoba – an organization that oversaw Manitoba's crown corporations.

Finally, Dr. Feltham has lent his talent to policy research to advance our country. For example, he chaired Alberta's task force on Teaching Excellence for Alberta's Ministry of Education. Further, he chaired a Tax Commission for Manitoba.

## **Recognition**

For his contributions, Dr. Feltham has received numerous awards and was a recipient of the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.