



## **Betty Vandebosch, President, Kaplan University**

Betty Vandebosch, PhD, is an award-winning administrator whose leadership at Kaplan University has cultivated an atmosphere of achievement and integrity. In her current role as University President, she oversees the academics and operations of the online schools and campus locations.

Prior to becoming President, she was Provost and Chief Academic Officer, spearheading development of the University's competency-based education model, ExcelTrack™, which offers students a personalized learning experience that allows them to leverage their existing knowledge toward a degree. She has also promoted faculty development and the use of learning science to evaluate the University's educational methods.

Since joining Kaplan University in 2008, Dr. Vandebosch has served in a variety of leadership positions, including Dean of the School of Business and Management and Dean of Students. Throughout her time at Kaplan University, Dr. Vandebosch has pursued a mission of providing high-quality, career-oriented education to those who seek it—in particular students who have traditionally lacked access to higher education.

Prior to joining Kaplan University, Dr. Vandebosch was an Associate Dean and Associate Professor at the Weatherhead School of Management at Case Western Reserve University, where she earned three awards for excellence in teaching. She previously worked at McKinsey & Co., Systemhouse Ltd., and Xerox Canada.

In addition to teaching awards, Dr. Vandebosch has received accolades from organizations such as the Academy of Management Meetings (Top Three Paper Award). Her doctoral dissertation was honored with the International Conference on IS Doctoral Dissertation Award, bestowed annually on the best doctoral dissertation in its field worldwide as judged by a panel of 10 international IT scholars.

Dr. Vandebosch's dissertation also received a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Grant of \$60,000 and a SUNCOR Doctoral Fellowship grant of \$15,000. She has collaborated on research projects awarded grants totaling \$2.1 million from organizations including the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and the Society for Information Management Advanced Practices.

Dr. Vandebosch is the author of *Designing Solutions for Your Business Problems*, a guide for resolving complex issues and creating new opportunities in business. In addition, she contributed to *Managing as Designing* and to *Transforming Health Care through Information: Case Studies*. She has published in peer-reviewed academic journals in the fields of business, management, and technology, including: *Journal of Management Studies*; *Accounting, Organizations, and Society*; *MIS Quarterly*; and *Information Systems Research*. Dr. Vandebosch has participated in numerous international conferences, most recently delivering the keynote address, "Skilling the Workforce," at the Committee for Economic Development's Spring Policy Conference in 2016.

Dr. Vandebosch currently serves on the board of the Presidents' Forum, an organization of national, accredited institutions devoted to addressing the needs of adult learners through online education. She is also a member of the Committee for Economic Development of The Conference Board, acting as a co-chair of its Education Subcommittee. Dr. Vandebosch also volunteers at Funding Arts Broward and the United Way, where she served on several committees, including Health Funding, Capacity-Building (Co-Chair), Community Vision, and Strategic IT Planning.

Dr. Vandebosch earned her PhD (Business Administration/MIS), MBA, and Bachelor of Science in Computer Science from Western University. She currently resides in Chicago, Illinois.