

**Sallie Ann Keller, Vice-President Academic & Provost**

Sallie Ann Keller earned BS and MS degrees in mathematics from the University of South Florida and a PhD in statistics from the Iowa State University of Science and Technology. She currently oversees more than 40 researchers from diverse disciplinary backgrounds as director of the IDA Science and Technology Policy Institute, an independent research and development centre funded by the U.S. government to support the White House Office of Science & Technology Policy and the National Science Foundation.

Her previous appointments include the William and Stephanie Sick dean of engineering and professor of statistics at Rice University, head of the statistical sciences group at Los Alamos National Laboratory, professor and director of graduate studies in the Department of Statistics at Kansas State University and statistics program director at the National Science Foundation.

In 2010, Keller received the National Institute of Statistical Sciences' Jerome Sacks Award for Outstanding Cross-Disciplinary Research. She is an associate of the National Academy of Sciences, fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and fellow and past president of the American Statistical Association.

In addition to her strong record of academic leadership and scholarship, accomplishments in interdisciplinary innovation in support of academic goals and inclusive leadership style, Keller will bring vision, energy and tenacity to her role as vice-president academic & provost at Waterloo. Her initial term will run for five years, ending June 30, 2017.

The vice-president academic & provost nomination process is governed by [Policy 48](#). For more information please visit the [Vice-President Academic & Provost Nominating Committee website](#). The committee's recommendation was unanimously approved by Senate on January 16 and the Board of Governors on January 19, 2012.