



# University of Fairfax Announces New President

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VIENNA, VA – The University of Fairfax ([www.ufairfax.net](http://www.ufairfax.net)) today announced the appointment of David Oxenhandler as President.

Mr. Oxenhandler, a leader in higher education with extensive accreditation and Fortune 500 experience, succeeds Dr. Victor N. Berlin, who founded the University of Fairfax and has served as president since 2002. Dr. Berlin will fill a new position as a UoF advisor for information security community relations.

Joan Daly, chairperson of the University of Fairfax Board of Directors, who made the announcement stated, “ Mr. Oxenhandler brings a unique perspective and experience that will help the University make its next step as it serves the nation’s security practitioners.”

Upon accepting the appointment, Mr. Oxendhandler commented, “The University of Fairfax is a leader in information security graduate education. Its students have already made demonstrable impacts on the security of the Nation and in the private sector. I look forward to helping the University grow and expand the contributions of its students, alumni, and faculty.”

## **Oxenhandler’s Professional Background**

Mr. Oxenhandler has over 20 years of higher education management and accreditation experience. He has served on the University of Fairfax Board of Directors since 2008. His prior experience includes roles in senior management, governance and accreditation at Colorado Technical University (CTU), Colorado School for Professional Psychology and the Higher Learning Commission. At CTU, a regionally accredited institution, he served in senior management and governance positions for over nine years, holding positions including CFO, VP for Finance, Chancellor and member of the Board of Directors. During this period he

oversaw assessment and planning processes which ensured that adequate resources, systems, policies and procedures were in place in order to support the growth of the institution as it grew from 300 to 1400 students and laid the foundation for growth to over 30,000 students today. He currently teaches in the MBA program at CTU. Mr. Oxenhandler has served on over 24 accreditation reviews of higher education institutions for the Higher Learning Commission. He holds an MBA from the University of Massachusetts.

### **About the University of Fairfax**

The University of Fairfax, an independent, non-profit online graduate university, is the first graduate institution in the U.S. exclusively focused on online information security graduate programs. The University, a leading provider of high quality, online graduate degree programs in information security/assurance for senior InfoSec professionals, annually offers \$300K+ in InfoSec tuition fellowships ([http://www.ufairfax.net/ufairfax/application/financial\\_assistance.html](http://www.ufairfax.net/ufairfax/application/financial_assistance.html)). University of Fairfax students and alumni have achieved leadership positions in the federal, private, academic and health care sectors across the U.S. with major employers including Verizon, Lockheed Martin, System1, Wachovia, ManTech, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and the Department of Homeland Security. They hold positions in areas that include IT Compliance, Enterprise Architecture, Higher Education, Information Security (IS) and Information Assurance (IA). The University of Fairfax is certified by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia. UoF is an authorized (ISC)<sup>2</sup>® Education Partner, offers National Security Agency Certifications and is an USAF Education Partner.

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