

Biography of Dr. Kyle B. Usrey

Dr. Kyle Usrey is the new president of LCC International University. He has had a number of jobs and several different careers over his life.

Kyle was born in Wyoming and grew up in Colorado and Wyoming. Both sides of his family are originally from Texas in the United States.

He graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in Texas with a degree in Finance and Economics. He also has an MBA with an emphasis in Marketing from the University of Colorado and a Juris Doctorate, a law degree, from the University of Colorado. He has worked as a financial executive for GTE, now Verizon, in New York, Los Angeles, Washington DC, Wisconsin, and Texas, was an executive in management and as staff focused on Strategic Alliances & Mergers and Acquisitions, later as a staff lawyer and author for McGraw-Hill Corporation in Colorado Springs, CO. He also was CEO of a health care non-profit faith-based entity in Colorado Springs, formed by six downtown churches.

In 1997 and 1998, he was designated a “Foreign Expert” by the Government of China and worked in China at Yanshan University in Qinhuangdao, where he taught International Law and International Business.

In 1998-99 he became a Visiting Scholar at the University of South Australia in Adelaide, Australia in International Business and Law. He has done work for the Bulgarian government revising portions of their commercial laws after the fall of Communism. He has been engaged by the Government of Zanzibar to develop a new trade and law policy. And for the past ten years, he has also been engaged by several Chinese higher education institutions, SAFEA (China’s Ministry of Foreign Experts), and some Communist governmental groups in China to help them understand international business and law and ethics. Dr. Usrey was a professor in international business at Hardin-Simmons University, a Baptist institution, in Abilene, Texas from 1999-2001, where he also taught ethics. From 2001-2007, he was the charter dean of the School of Global Commerce & Management at Whitworth University, a Presbyterian university, in Spokane, Washington, overseeing undergraduate, graduate, and adult education programs. While there, he was appointed by the Governor of Washington to be the sole Citizen-at-Large representative on the Washington State Ethics Administrative Commission. The position was a type of Administrative Law Judge appointment, unique in American jurisprudence circles. From 2007 until recently, he was Dean of the College of Business, Arts, Sciences, and Education at Friends University, a Quaker institution, in Wichita, Kansas.

He is the author of a number of business and legal articles, including those published at Yale, Oxford, and in the Financial Times of London, as well as a textbook on International Business Law in its third printing in China, having been used on four continents. Dr. Usrey has lectured and been a guest speaker on six continents on issues of globalization, international business, micro-enterprise, business ethics, business as missions, and sustainable economic urban development, among other topics. He has been a consultant for international businesses, large and small, for-profit and non-profit in Asia, South America, Africa, Europe, Australia, and North America. He has also been a special advisor to mayors, senators, and legislators in several states on a number of cutting-edge policy issues. And he has been a board member of companies, government agencies, and NGOs.

He and his wife, Trisa, have been active members of churches of a number of denominations. They have led students and faculty on study tours to China, Russia, Europe, Thailand, and Australia. Their work in China was featured in a book entitled, "Glimpses of Christ in Everyday Life." His passion is multi-cultural, Christian higher education and working with young people for positive change amidst God's Kingdom.