

Distinguished Achievement Citation

Arthur J. "Art" Keown

Class of 1969

With this presentation of Ohio Wesleyan University's Distinguished Achievement Citation, the Ohio Wesleyan Alumni Association Board of Directors is honored to recognize **Arthur J. "Art" Keown** for his outstanding commitment to educating the next generation of finance professionals.

Art earned his B.A. from Ohio Wesleyan in 1969, continuing his education with an M.B.A. from the University of Michigan in 1971 and a D.B.A. from Indiana University in 1974.

From here, Art commenced a successful career as an academic. He's currently the Alumni Distinguished Professor and R.B. Pamplin Professor of Finance at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech), and has been a member of Virginia Tech's faculty since 1974. Less than 1% of Virginia Tech's faculty hold the honor of Alumni Distinguished Professor, and Art is the first in the Pamplin College of Business to earn it. He's also been Department Head twice.

Art's research interests include investments, corporate finance, and operations research applications in finance. Along with a colleague, he was first to use daily transactions to demonstrate price run up prior to merger announcements. His academic work has appeared in the Journal of Financial Research, where he served as co-editor. He's authored or co-authored six college textbooks, three which have been used by over two million students worldwide.

Art has an impressive list of teaching awards and recognitions as well, including (but certainly not limited to) the W.E. Wine Award for Teaching Excellence, membership to the Academy of Teaching Excellence, and the Certificate of Teaching Excellence, which Virginia Tech has awarded him five times.

His passion for student success at Virginia Tech is not limited to the classroom. For 16 years, he chaired the Virginia Tech Services board, a nonprofit operating university bookstores, vending services, and other auxiliary services. He also helped redesign academic advising and counseling for student-athletes through his position on the Virginia Tech Athletic Fund Executive Board.

It is with great appreciation and admiration that we award Art Keown the Distinguished Achievement Citation for his passion for student success and sharing his expertise with the world.

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