

MICHAEL F. PRICE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS



ARTHUR B. ADAMS SOCIETY DINNER

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PROGRAM

ADAMS SOCIETY WELCOME

Dean Laku Chidambaram

UNIVERSITY WELCOME

President Joseph Harroz, Jr.

SOCIETY TOAST

Samantha Dewalt

PRICE COLLEGE UPDATE

Dean Laku Chidambaram and Students

DINNER

PANEL DISCUSSION ON EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Facilitated by Jaron Harvey

FOUNDING MEMBER RECOGNITION

Dean Laku Chidambaram

ADVANCING MEMBER RECOGNITION

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NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION AND INDUCTION

Dean Laku Chidambaram

CLOSING AND OU CHANT

MUSICIANS

RECEPTION AND DINNER PERFORMER

Amin Mirhashemi, Guitar

OU CHANT PERFORMER

Elle Evans

OU CHANT

O-K-L-A-H-O-M-A

Our chant rolls on and on!

Thousands strong

Join heart and song

In alma mater's praise

Of campus beautiful by day and night

Of colors proudly gleaming Red and White

'Neath a western sky

OU's chant will never die.

LIVE ON, UNIVERSITY!





JOSEPH HARROZ, JR. President, University of Oklahoma

Serving the University of Oklahoma for nearly 30 years in various leadership roles, Joseph Harroz, Jr. ('89) was named OU's 15th president on May 9, 2020. Harroz's previous service to OU includes a one–year term as interim president, nine years as dean of the College of Law, 12 years as general counsel, and two years as vice president for executive affairs. Under his leadership, the university has ambitiously developed

and pursued the fulfillment of its Strategic Plan, sparking a new era of excellence and elevating OU's position as a top-tier public research university with life-changing impact. An abundance of successes have emerged since the Plan's unveiling five years ago — record-breaking freshman classes, historic levels of giving as part of a \$2 billion fundraising campaign, transformative research growth, the creation of Oklahoma's leading comprehensive academic health system in OU Health, joining the Southeastern Conference, and more.



LAKU CHIDAMBARAM Dean, Price College of Business

Laku Chidambaram is the 12th Dean of the Michael F. Price College of Business at the University of Oklahoma and holds the Fred E. Brown Chair in Business. OU has been his academic home for 25 years, where he has served as Interim Dean, Senior Associate Dean, Associate Dean, and Division Director.

As Interim Dean, Chidambaram strengthened Price College's culture of support and community, aligned programs with OU's strategic priorities, helped raise over \$26 million in philanthropic gifts, and launched key student success initiatives, including the Price Career Center, the Office of Experiential Learning, and FirstYear@Price.

His research on computer-supported collaborative work has appeared in leading MIS journals, and he has chaired seven of the 28 dissertation committees that he has served. He founded the eService Journal in 2001, served on multiple editorial boards, and was program co-chair for the Americas Conference on Information Systems. In 2019, the Association for Information Systems named him an AIS Distinguished Member Cum Laude, and this fall he was inducted into the Oklahoma Higher Education Hall of Fame.

Chidambaram earned his Ph.D. from Indiana University, his MBA from the University of Georgia, and his Bachelor of Commerce from Loyola College.



SAMANTHA DEWALT Managing Director, Lehigh@NasdagCenter

Samantha Dewalt is a two-time graduate of the University of Oklahoma, holding an MBA from the Price College of Business. A proud Sooner, she serves on the Price College Board of Advisors and established the Dewalt Family Scholarship to support the next generation of entrepreneurial leaders.

With nearly two decades of experience spanning higher education and industry, Dewalt is passionate about bridging education and innovation. She currently serves as Managing Director of Lehigh University's West Coast Hub in San Francisco, providing strategic and operational leadership across student recruitment, experiential learning, industry engagement, and career pathways.

Previously, she spearheaded Lehigh@NasdaqCenter, an eight-year exclusive partnership between Lehigh University and the Nasdaq Entrepreneurial Center. She also served as Associate Director of IT Corporate Engagement at OU, building on seven years of experience in the private sector, where she led efforts in marketing, partnerships, and corporate strategy.

Dewalt earned her doctorate in Organizational Leadership from Pepperdine University. Her research and thought leadership have been featured in *Harvard Business Review*, *Fortune*, *Fast Company*, and *Startups Magazine*.



JARON HARVEY Executive Director of Experiential Learning, Price College of Business

Jaron Harvey is the Executive Director of Experiential Learning at the University of Oklahoma's Price College of Business. In this role, Harvey helps coordinate and encourage experiential learning within Price College by supporting faculty in their efforts and identifying opportunities to connect businesses with classrooms to foster more engaging environments.

A graduate of the Price College of Business with a Ph.D. in management, Harvey taught at the University of Alabama, the University of Wyoming, Kansas State University, and Utah Valley University before returning to Norman in the Fall of 2024. For more than a decade, he has collaborated with Fortune 100 companies as well as small businesses to bring unique learning opportunities into his classes. Harvey is also an active researcher, publishing in some of the premier journals in his field on topics such as employee citizenship behavior, employee overqualification, and the impact of electronic monitoring in the workplace.



THE OFFICE OF EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

A NEW ERA OF LEARNING BY DOING

As the Michael F. Price College of Business continues its work preparing future business leaders capable of ensuring the competitiveness of both Oklahoma and the nation, it seeks to provide every student with learning opportunities that connect them with the business world in unique and unforgettable ways through experiential learning. Key to these learning experiences is the establishment of the Office of Experiential Learning, Price's bold initiative to integrate "learning by doing" across every program and major. The vision of the Office of Experiential Learning is to ensure that 100% of Price students have multiple experiential learning opportunities during their time in Price.

Experiential learning provides students with opportunities to apply concepts, theories, and frameworks to real-world situations and to reflect on these experiences. This model of "learning by doing" is part of Price College's DNA. Price students have been learning by doing for decades by running their own companies as part of the Integrated Business Core (IBC) Program, participating in a range of case competitions, completing industry-connected class projects, consulting with the Ronnie K. Irani Center for the Creation of Economic Wealth, prototyping in the Tom Love Innovation Hub, and visiting and presenting their work to international companies as part of their study abroad experiences.

The Office will serve as a hub for innovation, uniting faculty, students, and business partners to expand high-impact learning opportunities. Through this initiative, Price students will have access to expanded opportunities to participate in consulting projects, case competitions, internships, and innovation challenges that develop their adaptability, teamwork, and strategic decision-making, preparing them to lead from day one of their professional careers. Faculty will be empowered with new tools and partnerships to embed experiential learning across their curriculum, thanks to expanded resources that enable the integration of applied experiences into their classes. Employers will have opportunities to connect with Price students through projects, competitions, and other experiences, giving them the chance to develop positive relationships early on. Employers will also gain access to graduates who are ready to deliver results.

By uniting students, faculty, and business leaders under a shared mission of learning by doing, with the Office of Experiential Learning, we can set the standard for excellence in business education and empower the next generation of leaders who will shape the future of industry and society.







NEW MEMBERS

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PARTNER

Matthew ('03) and Amy Kingsolver



For a complete list of all members, visit

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Named after the first dean of the Price College of Business, the Arthur B. Adams Society is a way for alumni and friends to come together as a network of supporters within the Price College of Business. Established in 2010, the society supports a multitude of opportunities for Price students that will make a meaningful difference in their lives. Some of the areas in Price College that are assisted through the society include study abroad scholarships, both undergraduate and graduate professional development, faculty resources, the JCPenney Leadership Program, academic scholarships and academic division programming. Members of the society designate to which area of the college they would like to contribute. This includes the Dean's Excellence Fund, which directs the gift to where the need is greatest within the Price College of Business.

Members of the Arthur B. Adams Society are invited to special events and receptions, including a gala event each fall.

THE MICHAEL F. PRICE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ENSURES THE ENDURING GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS OF OKLAHOMA AND THE NATION.





For nearly a century, the University of Oklahoma's Price College of Business has developed future–proven leaders to ensure the enduring global competitiveness of our state and nation.

To continue to meet our mission and realize our vision for the future, we need your help.

The next 100 years are calling. Are you ready to answer?

To learn more about how you can help, scan the QR code below.

