

WILLIAM & MARY
RETIREMENT OF CHARLES MCADAMS
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Charles R. McAdams, III received his undergraduate degree in Recreation and Park Administration from North Carolina State University in 1976 after four years of military service as a UDT/SEAL combat swimmer with the U.S. Naval Inshore Warfare Command. He received his master's degree in Counselor Education and his Ed.D. Degree in Counselor Education and Supervision from North Carolina State University in 1985 and 1988 respectively. Between his undergraduate and graduate degrees, he worked as a Group Leader for New Dominion Wilderness Treatment School before assuming successive positions as a Program Director, Regional Director, and Statewide Director of Residential and Day Treatment Programs for Lutheran Family Services of North Carolina. Following completion of this doctoral degree and prior to his appointment at William & Mary, he held the positions of Assistant Professor in the University of Georgia's Developmental Studies Program, Vice President for Children's Services with Lutheran Family Services of the Carolinas, Richmond Regional Director with Lutheran Family Services of Virginia, and adjunct faculty member with both North Carolina State University and The College of William & Mary.

During his 26 years as a William & Mary faculty member, Professor McAdams has been actively engaged in teaching, scholarship, and service. He is a past recipient of the William & Mary Alumni Fellowship Award for Teaching Excellence and the Training and Mentorship Award from the International Association of Marriage and Family Counselors, and he was the first faculty member from the School of Education to receive the William & Mary Plumeri Award for Faculty Excellence. He has chaired 25 doctoral dissertation committees. Mental health crisis prevention and intervention among individuals and families have been long-standing research interests with a significant focus on client violence and suicide. Professor McAdams has published 32 journal articles and eight book chapters and delivered over 100 professional presentations at regional, national and international conferences. His scholarship has been recognized nationally, as demonstrated through receipt for three consecutive years of the Outstanding Article of the Year Award, for *Counselor Education and Supervision*, a premier professional journal in the Counselor Education field. Since 2000, Professor McAdams has served as Faculty Co-Director of the School of Education's New Horizons Family Counseling Center, a University-community collaboration offering free family counseling services to approximately 300 children and families each year from six public school districts and providing advanced clinical training opportunities for family counseling interns. During his tenure, financial support for the Center has increased from \$7,000 to \$78,000 annually, nearly all of which has gone each year to support the graduate student interns who provide the clinical services. Additional contracts for Center services with the Williamsburg Health Foundation have yielded an additional \$90,000 to \$110,000 annually in student support

since 2008. In further support of the local community, Professor McAdams served three consecutive three-year terms on the Colonial Services Board, the Williamsburg region's mental health board, and he served the final term as its Chair.

Professor McAdams' talents have been shared actively over the years with the Counseling Profession as well as the University and School of Education communities. He served two four-year terms as a gubernatorial appointee to the Virginia Board of Counseling (the state licensure board), his last term as Vice-Chair, in which he was also the Virginia Board's delegate to the National Association of State Counseling Boards. He currently serves a board member and treasurer for the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). In addition to a consistent record of membership on multiple University standing committees throughout his tenure, he has served as the School of Education representative on the Faculty Assembly, as Chair of the Faculty Appeals Committee, and as a School of Education representative to the search committee for a new University Provost. In the School of Education, Professor McAdams served for three years as the Area Coordinator (the previous title in the School of Education for the current Department Chair role) for School Psychology and Counselor Education (SPACE) and, in 2017, began a three-year term as Department Chair for SPACE. In addition to his duties as Department Chair, he co-coordinated the development and implementation of the new online programs in School Counseling and Clinical Mental Health Counseling, and he proposed the curriculum for the new Military & Veterans Counseling specialization that was subsequently funded by the VA Generally Assembly and is now underway in both the online and on-campus Counseling programs.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Visitors acknowledges the retirement of Charles R. McAdams, III; expresses its appreciation for his many contributions to William & Mary; and approves, with deep gratitude for his 26 years of service, a change in status from Professor of Education to Professor of Education, Emeritus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board and a copy of the same delivered to Professor McAdams with best wishes for continuing and creative work in the years ahead.