



**The PhD Project Hall of Fame
2013 Honoree
David L. Ford
Professor of Organizational Studies, Strategy, and
International Management
University of Texas at Dallas**

“Dr. David Ford attended the 1993 meeting in St. Louis which set the stage for the creation of The PhD Project and has remained heavily involved since that time. As a founding member of the PhD Project Management Doctoral Students Association, and the Management Faculty of Color Association, Dr. Ford has been a staunch supporter of The PhD Project in speaking engagements throughout the academic community and a mentor to both doctoral students and junior faculty over the years. He has co-presented “Secrets of a Successful PhD Applicant” at several PhD Project annual conferences and he represents his university during the Doctoral Program Expo each year.

Dr. Ford’s values are consistent with The PhD Project which is why he shows a high level of devotion to increasing the representation of minorities in business schools and mentoring doctoral students and junior faculty.”

David L. Ford, Jr., Ph.D. is Professor of Organizational Studies, Strategy, and International Management at the University of Texas at Dallas. He has more than 30 years of professional experience as an industrial engineer for an aerospace firm, as an educator, and as a consultant and manager. His areas of expertise include productivity analysis, continuous improvement, leadership development, executive coaching, behavioral style assessment, decision making and problem - solving, organization development and change management, workplace diversity, small group processes and team building, organizational culture change and assessment, and management training.

Dr. Ford has also held academic appointments at UCLA, Purdue University, Michigan State University, and Yale University. Through his membership in the *Society of International Business Fellows* (SIBF), Dr. Ford continues to develop his research and business interests in international business development. Through SIBF, he serves as a faculty member in the *Central Eurasian Leadership Alliance* (CELA) leadership development program held each summer at Koc University in Istanbul, Turkey. He has traveled extensively internationally and leads a UTD delegation to several countries in May of each year.

He has received numerous awards, including Outstanding Alumnus Award from Iowa State University, Distinguished Service Citation from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and a Commission in the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels.