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TODAY: Dr. Robert Olin, PhD, Dean

UA College of Arts & Sciences

October Program Chair Bev Leigh III



Dr. Robert F. Olin has served as the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at The University of Alabama since August of 2000. As dean, he oversees the financial and educational management of The University's largest division and the largest liberal arts college in Alabama. The College has an annual budget in excess of \$90 million dollars, serves over 9,500 students with majors in that division, and employs over 800 faculty and staff.

As dean, he has implemented technological innovations into the curriculum in several departments. He received the Virginia B. Smith Innovative Leadership Award for this work. He has raised over 100 million dollars in gifts to the College during his tenure and has supervised several building projects. He has worked with The University to build a science and engineering complex with over 1,000,000 square feet of space for scientific research and is now involved in building a fine and performing arts complex. He has led the College in developing two arts galleries and a writer's house in downtown Tuscaloosa.

Olin is a member of the West Alabama Chamber of Commerce and the local Rotary Club. He has served on the Alabama Humanities Foundation as a board member and treasurer.

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Speakers for October

9th Firefighters Recognition

16th David Griffin, City of Tuscaloosa Engineer

23rd Norman Estes, Chairman & CEO, Northport Health Services

30th Gunter Guy, Commissioner, Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

We like to say that the College of Arts and Sciences is how college was intended to be—a place where thinking and learning are exciting, where you will find your window to the world and your place in it, and where you will meet a diverse group of classmates, many of whom will become your lifelong friends and colleagues.

Whether you are interested in the mysteries of deep space, literature of the South, the secrets buried in ancient Native American dwellings, or how global political change affects our national security, the College of Arts and Sciences offers you rich territory to explore.

We're proud of our many students who have earned the College a national reputation for academic achievement that includes 13 Rhodes Scholars, 11 Truman Scholars, 32 Goldwater Scholars, and 39 USA Today All-USA Academic Team members. ✓

The College's mission is focused on your academic growth and our faculty are nationally recognized for their commitment to it. At this college, you'll be learning with internationally renowned teachers and scholars dedicated to sharing their knowledge with you.

-Dean Robert F. Olin

Laura K. Gregory	1-Oct
Justin B. Little	4-Oct
Courtney LeCroy	6-Oct
Bernard Harwood	17-Oct
James (Jim) Meherg	19-Oct
Bill Goodwin	31-Oct



Our Speaker... (from page 1)

Before joining The University of Alabama, Olin served as head of the Dept. of Mathematics at Virginia Tech for six years and as a member of the mathematics faculty for 25 years.

Under his leadership, Virginia Tech established the Mathematics Emporium in 1997. The Emporium has become a national model for innovative mathematics education and for use of technology in instruction. The Emporium has been featured in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* and *Wall Street Journal*. In the Emporium's first three years, Olin was invited to present seminars on its instruction program to over 500 universities, colleges, and private businesses.

Olin is a widely recognized mathematics scholar with research interests in operator theory and functional analysis. He is the author of numerous scholarly papers and has had over 20 years of continuous research funding.

Olin earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics in 1970 from Ottawa University in Kansas and a doctorate in mathematics in 1975 from Indiana University in Bloomington. He and his wife Lin have four children.

Tweet for Scholarships — UA fans who like to tweet can help The University of Alabama win \$10,000 in scholarships each week during the regular football season. To participate, Bama fans should send a tweet using both the following hashtags: #ItsGood2Be and #builtbybama. Each week through December 7, the school with the most fan conversation on Twitter will receive an additional \$10,000 in scholarship donations. For 10 years, Allstate has contributed to scholarship funds at partner colleges and universities through its Good Hands Field Goal Net Program. At any point in the season, fans can see and track which schools are receiving the most engagement by checking out the #ItsGood2Be leader board, where the winning schools will be announced each week.

Middle age is having a choice of two temptations and choosing the one that will get you home earlier.

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