

Patrick Gallagher, PhD

Chancellor, University of Pittsburgh

As the University of Pittsburgh's 18th chancellor, Patrick Gallagher directs one of the nation's premier public institutions for higher education and research. In this role, Gallagher oversees a community of nearly 34,000 students at five distinct campuses. He also supports the work of more than 14,000 faculty and staff members who are committed to advancing the University's legacy of academic excellence, community service and research innovation.

Under his leadership, Pitt has strengthened its status as one of the nation's premier public institutions for higher education and research, including being named a top public school in the nation by U.S. News & World Report.

Prior to his installation at Pitt, Gallagher spent more than two decades in public service. In 2009, the president appointed him to direct the National Institute of Standards and Technology. While in this role, Gallagher also served as acting deputy secretary of commerce before leaving for Pitt in the summer of 2014.

Gallagher has also completed terms on a wide range of community boards and committees, including the president's 12-person Commission on Enhancing National Cybersecurity in 2016. He currently serves as chair of the Association of American Universities Board of Directors and as a member of the Cybersecurity Advisory Committee for the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency.

Gallagher holds a Ph.D. in physics from Pitt and a bachelor's degree in physics and philosophy from Benedictine College in Kansas.