

Roland “Ron” K. Yoshida

In November 2004, Roland K. “Ron” Yoshida was appointed Senior Vice President for External Relations & Campus Life at Lehigh University. In this role, he was responsible for admissions and financial aid; institutional research; and student life, including the University’s ongoing initiative to strengthen Greek life. In addition, Yoshida worked closely with the University’s advancement staff, serving as an external spokesman for Lehigh’s \$500 million capital campaign. Since September 2005, he is on sabbatical leave and is currently Professor of Education and Provost Emeritus.

Prior to his appointment as Senior Vice President, Yoshida served the University as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Yoshida initially joined Lehigh University as the Dean of its College of Education in 1996, and rose to the position of Provost in 2000.

Previously, Yoshida had been Associate Provost at Queens College, City University of New York. Before that, he was Dean of Queens College’s School of Education, and he also taught at Fordham University.

An advocate of using interdisciplinary approaches to solving education problems, Yoshida has written more than 60 scholarly articles -- mostly concerning the education of students with disabilities. Recently, he has focused on how new technologies are transforming learning environments, especially those of residential universities.

He currently serves as Chair of the Visiting Panel for Research of the Educational Testing Service and Vice Chair of the Middle States Commission on Elementary Schools, and is a fellow of the American Psychological Association and member of Phi Beta Kappa.