

**Dr. David L. Sallee**

***President, William Jewell College***

Dr. David L. Sallee is the fourteenth president of William Jewell College, a national liberal arts institution located in Liberty, Mo.

Since Dr. Sallee assumed the presidency in 2000, William Jewell was named “Liberal Arts College of the Year” by TIME Magazine for 2001-02. The College has also been prominently and consistently ranked among the nation’s top institutions. Most recently, *U.S. News & World Report* included William Jewell among the top 190 national liberal arts colleges in its 2011 edition of “America’s Best Colleges.” Jewell was named by *The Princeton Review* as one of “The Best 373 Colleges” in its 2011 guidebook. Only about 15% of the four-year colleges in the U.S. appear in the student survey-based rankings. *Forbes* also listed William Jewell among “America’s Best Colleges” in its 2010 report.

Founded in 1849, William Jewell is widely regarded as a campus of achievement, offering students an outstanding liberal arts education with a unique focus on cultivating leadership, service and spiritual growth within a community inspired by Christian ideals and committed to open, rigorous intellectual pursuits.

Distinctive programs are the hallmark of the William Jewell experience. The internationally recognized Oxbridge Honors Program combines British tutorial methods of instruction with opportunities for a year of study in Oxford or Cambridge. The Applied Critical Thought and Inquiry major (ACT-In) allows most students to graduate with a second major by completing the liberal arts core plus three applied learning experiences. Jewell’s Nonprofit Leadership major is one of only 13 undergraduate programs nationwide. The Harriman-Jewell Series is considered the Midwest’s premier presenting program in the performing arts. The Pryor Leadership Studies Program includes course work, community service projects and internships that help students enhance their leadership skills in a variety of settings.

Dr. Sallee was awarded a doctorate of philosophy in adult and higher education from the University of Oklahoma in 1993 and a master of science in physical education in 1976 at Pittsburg State University. He earned a bachelor of arts in physical education from Oklahoma Baptist University in 1973, after spending two years at Crowder College in Neosho, Missouri. He received the Alumni Meritorious Achievement Award from Pittsburg State University in 2007 and the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Missouri Community Colleges Association in 2001. In 2011 he was awarded the Chief Executive Leadership Award from District VI of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). In fall 2010, in his tenth year as President of William Jewell College, Dr. Sallee became the longest sitting president at any college in the Kansas City metropolitan area.

Professional and civic activities include service on the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance Board of Directors; the Center for Practical Bioethics Board of Directors; the Midwest Research Institute Board of Trustees; and the Clay County Economic Development Council.

Dr. Sallee and his wife, Mary, have two sons: Andrew, a 1999 graduate of William Jewell, and Patrick, a 2002 graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University.