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Dr. William M. Vega is the Distinguished Faculty in Residence, at California State University, Long Beach, in the College of Education. He began his appointment in August, 2007. Prior to his appointment at CSULB, Dr. Vega served as Director (President), Dubai Men's College, in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. He served as Chancellor of the Coast Community College District from 1993 to 2004, retiring as Chancellor Emeritus in June, 2004. Before his appointment as Chancellor of the Coast Community College District, he was the President of Coastline Community College, one of three colleges in the Coast District, from 1985 to 1993.

Dr. Vega has held positions in several California community colleges, including: Dean of Curriculum and Instruction at El Camino College in Torrance; Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs at Compton College in Compton; Associate Dean of Instruction at Contra Costa College in San Pablo; and Director of Outreach at Los Angeles City College in Los Angeles. He has taught economics at Los Angeles City College and the University of Maryland in Europe. He also taught as an adjunct faculty at California State University, Long Beach, University of California, Irvine, and the University of Southern California.

Dr. Vega received his doctorate in higher and post secondary education from the University of Southern California. He also holds an M.A. in economics and business from Appalachian State University in North Carolina and a B.S. degree in management from Indiana University.

Dr. Vega has served on the board of directors of numerous national and international organizations. He is the recipient of the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) 2003 Pacific Region Chief Executive Officer Award.

In addition, he has served as a trustee of The College Board, on the board of directors for the American Association of Community Colleges, Chapman University, the Harvard University Educational Management Institute, the Naval Postgraduate School, and the University of Southern California Rossier School of Education Board of Councilors. He also served as president of Renewal and Change for the 21st Century (RC2000).

Dr. Vega is an infantry veteran of the Vietnam Conflict and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, the Air Medal and the Combat Infantry Badge.

As Distinguished Faculty in Residence, Dr. Vega's teaching assignment is in the California State University, Long Beach Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership.