Biography for Introductions
Chancellor Mark A. Mone, PhD

Mark is chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) – the only public research and access mission institution in Wisconsin. With an operating budget of $674 million, UWM serves 24,000 students on three campuses and has the largest population of diverse students of any four-year campus in the state.

He has positioned UWM as a leader in transforming the region and state by advancing equity through education and addressing societal issues through research, strategic re-invention and partnerships.

Under his leadership, UWM has been named a top-tier research institute by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education three times since attaining Research 1 status in 2016. UWM is one of the nation’s top universities for community engagement as classified by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

UWM graduates more than 5,000 students annually and has over 200,000 alumni, with over 80% remaining in Wisconsin for at least the first decade beyond graduation. As a significant contributor to Wisconsin’s workforce, UWM is a leader in providing highly-skilled graduates in critical, high-demand areas.

Mark serves on the boards of the Association of Public and Land Grant Universities’ Coalition of Urban Serving Universities, Horizon League Athletic Conference, The Water Council, United Way, Milwaukee Succeeds, Milwaukee Film, BizStarts Milwaukee, and Scale Up. He is an active member of the Greater Milwaukee Committee and Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce.

A first-generation graduate, Mark earned his B.A. in Organizational Management from Central Washington University during his initial career as a chef, food and beverage director, and senior leader in hospitality operations. He earned a M.B.A. from Idaho State University, and a Ph.D. in Organizational Behavior and Organization Theory from Washington State University.