

## **Biography for Mary Croughan, Ph.D.**

Mary Croughan is a seasoned administrator and researcher with more than 30 years of experience in higher education.

Most recently, Croughan served as vice president for research and economic development at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Croughan's strategic foci were to build the university's research infrastructure, increase grant funding, create more interdisciplinary research, ensure that undergraduates had research opportunities, and identify new strategic research areas for UNLV to become a world leader. She helped UNLV attain R1 status in 2018 (seven years ahead of schedule), helped to lead development and the opening of the UNLV Harry Reid Research and Technology Park, as well as development of Black Fire Innovation to promote collaborative research between UNLV and industry partners in the hospitality and gaming industry.

Prior to joining UNLV in 2017, Croughan was the executive director of the Research Grants Program Office at the University of California, Office of the President. She was responsible for leadership and oversight of seven grant programs run by the University of California for the University and the State of California, developing and implementing the strategic vision for UC's intramural research enterprise, as well as maximizing the use of program funds for research.

From 1987-2010, Croughan served full-time as a faculty member at UC San Francisco in the School of Medicine. She co-directed a required course in Epidemiology and Biostatistics for 12 years, winning multiple teaching awards, including the Academic Senate's Distinguished Teaching Award. From 1987 to 2004, she developed and led a practice-based research network with more than 600 community-based primary care physicians. Since 1987, she has conducted research in reproductive and perinatal epidemiology, specifically examining health outcomes of nearly 52,000 women treated for infertility, their partners, and their children.

From 2007-2009, Croughan served as Vice Chair and Chair of the University of California's systemwide Academic Senate and on the UC Board of Regents. Throughout her career, she has served on numerous committees, including the UCSF Academic Senate's Committee on Academic Personnel, as well as serving as Chair of the Universitywide Committee on Academic Personnel (UCAP) and the UCSF Chancellor's Advisory Committee on the Status of Women.

Croughan received her B.S. in Community Health from the University of California, Davis, and her Ph.D. in Epidemiology from The Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health. From 2012-2013, Croughan served as a Fellow of the American Council on Education with University of Miami President, Donna Shalala. As an ACE Fellow, Croughan studied higher education within the United States and internationally, enhancing her expertise in undergraduate education, fundraising, athletics, and crisis communications.