

Passing: Gordon A. Haaland

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The UNH community is saddened to learn of the death of former university president Gordon A. Haaland. Haaland died Oct. 23 after a lengthy illness. He was 77.

Haaland served as UNH president from 1983 – 1990. Several centers of excellence were established during his tenure, including those in the humanities, international perspectives, policy and social science research. It was under Haaland’s leadership that the UNH Foundation was established to drive the university’s fundraising efforts, and Haaland also oversaw the establishment of the Institute for the Study of Earth, Oceans, and Space, which dramatically increased research funding to the university.

Before being named UNH president, Haaland served as UNH interim president; vice president for academic affairs; faculty chair of the psychology department and professor of psychology in the UNH College of Liberal Arts.



GORDON A. HAALAND

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Haaland resigned from UNH in 1990 to become president of Gettysburg College, where he served until his retirement in 2004.

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