

Speaker's Bio

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Dr. Mike Hemphill is the Director for Academic Programming at the Clinton Foundation where he has helped develop the Presidential Leadership Scholars Program, a partnership among the presidential centers of William J. Clinton, George W. Bush, Lyndon B. Johnson, and George H. W. Bush. This executive-style education series is entering its second year and gives its participants an unprecedented interactive exploration of leadership with contributions from nationally recognized leadership faculty, senior-level members of the four presidential administrations, and the participation of Presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush.

Dr. Hemphill served as Provost of Centenary College of Louisiana from 2010 – 2014, and prior to that was an inaugural faculty member and Chief Academic Officer at the University of Arkansas Clinton School of Public Service. Mike also spent 24 years on the faculty of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, where he served as Chair of the Department of Speech Communication and Dean of the College of Professional Studies. Dr. Hemphill holds a Ph.D. and a Masters degree from the University of Iowa.

Mike's teaching and scholarship has focused on communication and organizational socialization, technology and communication instruction, and an exploration of the communication perspective to service learning in higher education. In addition to his administrative duties at the Clinton School of Public Service, he taught courses in communication and conflict transformation, and leadership. Dr. Hemphill received the Ross Foundation Excellence in Teaching Award, recognizing the outstanding classroom teacher in the University of Arkansas system.

As a practitioner, Mike has worked with the National Association for State Judicial Education, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, Arkansas Children's Hospital, National Association of Chapter Thirteen Bankruptcy Trustees, Arkansas Chambers of Commerce, Arkansas Public Administration Consortium, and the administrative offices of state courts in Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi, Indiana, Missouri and California. He has taught in the Dispute Resolution graduate program at Southern Methodist University and consulted with both the Clinton Global Initiative and the Clinton Global Initiative University.