

## Brief Professional Biography of Robert J. Marley

Dr. Robert Marley currently serves as the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor at the Missouri University of Science and Technology, and is a professor of Engineering Management and Systems Engineering. Founded in 1870 as a result of the Morrill Act, Missouri S&T serves as a land-grant university and is a doctoral research university in the “higher” Carnegie classification. Marley oversees academic colleges and support programs, as well as research and sponsored programs, technology transfer, enrollment management, the Registrar, financial aid, library, distance education, and international programs.

Marley began his professional career as a rehabilitation engineering technician at the Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation where he helped design adaptive technologies for severely disabled adults. He joined Montana State University in 1990 in the Mechanical and Industrial Engineering Department, where he went on to hold positions as Associate Dean, and then Dean of the College of Engineering, and later as Interim Vice President of Student Success.

In his faculty role, he pursued research questions in ergonomics and human factors engineering related to human performance and cumulative trauma disorders. Marley is author of over 100 publications with his research impacting ergonomics, engineering and safety related disciplines, and has several citations in key Federal compendiums in these areas. He has garnered local and national awards as a faculty mentor and has co-authored a widely-used textbook, including a Spanish language edition.

In leadership roles, Marley has led numerous initiatives to increase student and faculty success. Results include strategic enrollment and retention growth, significant increases in funded research, increases in faculty and student diversity, new programs and facilities, as well as facilitating prominent national and international awards for students and faculty. As an administrator, he has also helped secure over \$114 Million in new private, State and Federal support for professorships, programs and facilities.

In 2012, Marley was selected for the prestigious ACE Fellows Program for leadership development, spending a year at Texas A&M University. Among other activities, he studied models of relationships between a flagship public research university and other state campuses operating within a mission-diverse system.

Marley holds a PhD in Industrial Engineering from Wichita State University. He holds Bachelors and Masters degrees, also from Wichita State. He and his wife, Margaret Maben, who holds a BS in Microbiology, reside in Rolla, Missouri, where they enjoy many outdoor activities together.