Former PVAMU president named distinguished scholar at alma mater, University of Kentucky

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President Emeritus George C. Wright, Ph.D., led PVAMU from 2003 - 2017.

PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas – In the Fall of 1968, George C. Wright entered the University of Kentucky (UK) as a freshman. Fifty-two years later, UK has appointed Prairie View A&M University’s 7th president as a distinguished university scholar and senior faculty fellow for Institutional Diversity.

Wright, a president emeritus of PVAMU, spent the last academic year at UK as a visiting professor in history in honor of the 70th anniversary of desegregation in America.

In his new position at Kentucky, Wright will be involved in special assignments at both the administrative level and in the university’s College of Arts and Sciences.

“I am excited, honored, and humbled to be returning to UK,” said Wright. “I am assuming a new professional position, but being president emeritus of PVAMU means, to me, that I will always be a part of this university.”

Wright earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Kentucky.

Details on his appointment can be found here.

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