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PRESIDENT**

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Dr. David T. McFaddin is the 14th president of Eastern Kentucky University. Since being appointed president in 2020, McFaddin has led the university to strengthened enrollment, historical heights in student success rates and numerous national accolades. The university has implemented several innovative programs under Dr. McFaddin's leadership, including ECU BookSmart, providing free textbooks for all degree-seeking students. Prior to his appointment as president, he served ECU as senior vice president of operations and strategic initiatives; vice president for government relations, engagement and regional stewardship; and part-time faculty. Before joining ECU, Dr. McFaddin held regional and statewide leadership posts with AT&T – a Fortune 10 company and the largest telecommunications provider in the U.S. – for nearly 15 years. President McFaddin is a first-generation college graduate and Kentucky native, holds a doctorate in educational leadership and policy studies from ECU, a master's degree in business administration from the distinguished Gatton College of Business and Economics at the University of Kentucky and a bachelor's degree in public relations from ECU.