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Biography

Dr. Donald F. Kuratko (known as "Dr. K") is a prominent scholar and national leader in the field of entrepreneurship authoring or co-authoring over 200 articles on aspects of entrepreneurship and corporate innovation in journals such as Journal of Business Venturing, Entrepreneurship Theory & Practice, Strategic Management Journal, Journal of Operations Management, Journal of Management Studies, Small Business Economics, Journal of Business Ethics, and Family Business Review. Professor Kuratko has authored 30 books, including one of the leading entrepreneurship books in the world today, Entrepreneurship: Theory, Process, Practice, 11th ed. (2020), as well as New Venture Management (2021) and Corporate Innovation (2019). In addition, Dr. Kuratko has been consultant on Corporate Innovation to a number of major Fortune 500 corporations and he was the Co-Founder and Executive Director of the Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers (GCEC). Dr. Kuratko was selected one of the Top Entrepreneurship Professors in the USA by Fortune magazine. Professor Kuratko has been named one of the Top 10 Entrepreneurship Scholars in the world and was the recipient of the Riata Distinguished Entrepreneurship Scholar Award. In 2011 he was the inaugural recipient of the Karl Vesper Entrepreneurship Pioneer Award for his career dedication to developing the field of entrepreneurship. The National Academy of Management honored Professor Kuratko with the Entrepreneurship Advocate Award and the Entrepreneurship Mentor Award for his contributions to the development and advancement of the discipline of entrepreneurship. In addition, he was named the National Outstanding Entrepreneurship Educator by the U.S. Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship as well as being honored with the John E. Hughes Entrepreneurial Advocacy Award for his career advocacy in entrepreneurship. Under Dr. Kuratko's leadership Indiana University's Entrepreneurship Program has been consistently ranked the #1 Business School for Entrepreneurship Research by the World Rankings for Entrepreneurship Productivity and by a longitudinal journal study; as well as the #1 Graduate Business School and the #1 Undergraduate Business School for Entrepreneurship (among Public Institutions) by U.S. News & World Report and Fortune Magazine.

Industry Expertise

Business Services, Corporate Leadership, Education/Learning, Research

Areas of Expertise

Entrepreneurship, Corporate Innovation

Secondary Titles

Professor of Entrepreneurship, Executive & Academic Director of JCEI, Director Entrepreneurial Innovation Academy

Accomplishments

Entrepreneurship Mentor Award

2014 Awarded by The National Academy of Management.

Karl Vesper Entrepreneurship Pioneer Award

2011 The Karl Vesper Pioneer Award winner is selected annually by a committee of distinguished entrepreneurship faculty, and includes all the former winners.

The Riata Distinguished Entrepreneurship Scholar Award

2010 The national award originated at Syracuse University and now is presented at Oklahoma State University's School of Entrepreneurship to recognize the research contributions of an outstanding scholar in the field of entrepreneurship.

The John E. Hughes Entrepreneurial Advocacy Award

2007 The Award was instituted on the occasion of the 22nd anniversary of the founding of the United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship (USASBE). This award is presented in recognition of a lifetime in entrepreneurial achievement that encompasses the ideals of entrepreneurial activity ...

Entrepreneurship Advocate Award

Awarded by The National Academy of Management.

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