

Mentor Education: Dr David Lamond appointed to Chair 10-person Academic Board.

Mentor Education has today announced the appointment of seasoned corporate strategist and educator, Dr. David Lamond, as Chair of the Group's new 10-person Academic Board. He has also become an ex-officio member of Mentor Education's company Board.

Dr Lamond has had a distinguished international career as senior adviser on corporate strategy, human resource management and executive development.

His appointment is another major milestone for approved higher education institution, Mentor Education, Australia's largest privately owned and independent dedicated provider of financial services training and education.

Mentor Education's Chairman, Dr Jim Taggart, OAM, said, "Dr Lamond is joining a fantastic organisation aiming to deliver relevant education for financial planners who are keen to undertake the next generation of quality courses and degrees."

Dr Lamond was the inaugural Chair of Australia's Financial Planning Education Council from 2011-2013. During his time the Council implemented the Australian Higher Education Curriculum and Accreditation Framework in Financial Planning.

Dr Lamond has also served as a member of the Global Education Working Group of the International Financial Planning Standards Board, a 26 nation nonprofit standards-setting organization that promotes global excellence in financial planning.

Dr. Lamond said, "I am delighted to become the inaugural Chair of Mentor Education's Academic Board, especially as it meets increasing community and industry demands for better trained financial planners. I am excited to bring experienced and independent advice in support of Mentor's successful drive to develop innovative education programs for financial industry professionals."

Mentor Education founder and MD, Dr Mark Sinclair, said, "I am thrilled that Dr Lamond has joined Mentor Education to become our first ever Academic Board Chair, particularly at a time of significant expansion for Mentor, which has seen 40% growth in student numbers and revenue over the last 2 financial years."

"David's breadth of experience as an educationalist and entrepreneur, as well as his demonstrated leadership on financial planning education standards, including as the inaugural Chair of Australia's

Financial Planning Education Council brings us a strong set of pertinent skills.”

“He will further ensure our education offerings remain world-class and at the frontier of Australia’s rapidly evolving financial planning industry, in particular as the government introduces new legislation to raise the professional standards of financial advisers.”

Dr Lamond is currently Adjunct Professor of Human Resource Management and International Business at Victoria University and Managing Partner of his business consultancy, Corporate Consigliere.

Previously he was Pro Vice Chancellor of Victoria University’s Offshore Branch Campus Development, as well as Executive Dean, Business and Law, Victoria University. Dr Lamond has a PhD in Managerial Psychology and a Master of Public Management.



Dr. David Lamond

About Mentor Education

Established in 2002 and headquartered in Melbourne, Mentor Education is Australia’s largest privately owned financial services training company. Mentor has educated over 15,000 thousand financial advisers. Employing 27 staff, the highly successful business specialises in the provision of professional and personal development training through face-to-face, distance education and interactive e-learning facilities.

Mentor courses lead to qualifications in financial planning, accounting, bookkeeping, mortgage broking and credit management. Specialist adviser courses are also provided as well as Continuous Professional Development technology and content. As a registered RTO, all Mentor Education qualifications are nationally recognised.

About the Financial Planning Standards Board (www.fpsb.org)

FPSB is an international, nonprofit standards-setting organization that promotes global excellence in financial planning. FPSB manages, develops and operates certification, education and related programs for financial planning organizations to benefit the global community by establishing, upholding and promoting worldwide professional standards in financial planning. FPSB owns the CFP, CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER and CFP Logo Marks outside the US and has 26 member organizations around the world.

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