

DR RENATE KRAKAUER

Citation for the conferral of a Doctor of Health Studies (*honoris causa*)

Since 1994 Renate Krakauer has been President and Chief Executive Officer of The Michener Institute for Applied Health Sciences in Toronto, a post-secondary educational institution dedicated to current and continuing education of applied health sciences professions. Renate initially qualified as a pharmacist graduating with a Bachelor of Sciences in Pharmacy from the University of Toronto. She subsequently completed a Master of Environmental Studies degree from York University and more recently was awarded her Doctor of Education degree from the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University of Toronto.

Renate Krakauer has a varied professional background. From 1991 to 1994 she was Director of the Human Resources Branch of the Government of Ontario Ministry of Health. In this position she was responsible for managing a large number of staff located throughout the Province of Ontario and in providing a full range of human resource services for the Ministry of Health. During 1993 and 1994 Renate was Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, with oversight of nearly twelve thousand staff and an annual budget of seventeen billion dollars. From 1985 to 1991 she held senior appointments with the Human Resources Services Department of the City of York in Ontario, including the roles of Deputy Commissioner and Commissioner.

Among her education roles Renate was Director of Continuing Education at the Humber College of Applied Arts and Technology in Toronto from 1980 to 1985. Prior to this she was a course director and consultant at Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology, a course director in the Social Sciences Department at York University and an instructor at Sheridan College of Applied Arts and Technology. Renate has published widely in the fields of lifelong learning, education in the workplace, innovation in education and human resources development.

Besides her significant contribution to the administration of higher education and health services in the Province of Ontario, Renate played a key role in establishing Charles Sturt University's partnership with The Michener Institute. Through this partnership graduates and staff of the Institute, and health professionals from Ontario and other Provinces in Canada, have been provided with opportunities to complete Charles Sturt University undergraduate and postgraduate degrees in such fields as Radiography, Nuclear Medicine, Pre-Hospital Care, Medical Laboratory Science, Medical and Applied Biotechnology and Respiratory Science. Through Renate's support The Michener Institute has provided the academic and administrative infrastructure to enable these courses to be offered to Canadians. Since 1997 The Michener Institute has conducted a combined annual graduation with Charles Sturt University in Toronto, with one hundred and twenty nine Charles Sturt University graduates receiving their degrees at the 2001 combined ceremony.

Chancellor, I present to you Renate Krakauer, one of the outstanding higher education Presidents in the Province of Ontario, and a person on whom Charles Sturt University is proud to confer the award Doctor of Health Studies (*honoris causa*).

Dated this Fifteenth Day of September Two Thousand and One