

Professor Deane E. Neubauer

Doctor of Social Sciences *honoris causa*

Citation

Professor Deane E. Neubauer was born in Racine in south-eastern Wisconsin, USA, at the end of the Great Depression in 1937. He often lived with his grandparents when his parents were out working, a typical story in those days. He sometimes worked part-time to contribute to the family finances. He owes a special debt to his grandparents, who taught him the importance of education.

In 1955, his family moved to California, where he took chemistry at community college, before being drafted into the US Army in 1957. While in the army, he took classes in history and American politics. It was there that he developed an interest in political science.

Back in California, he received a BA in Political Science from the University of California, Riverside. He graduated in the top 1% of his class. As a senior, he served as a research assistant to his mentor, David S. McLellan, and he was appointed a teaching assistant when his course work ended. This was the first time the department of Political Science had made such an appointment. He grew so interested in the field that he chose graduate school over law school.

He attended graduate school at Yale University in 1962 on a Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship. He completed an MA and PhD in Political Science in 1965 and 1966 respectively, writing his dissertation under Robert A. Dahl.

In the final period of his PhD, he was recruited by the University of California, Irvine to develop inter-disciplinary social sciences courses as part of its “Charter” faculty in 1965. This was a transformative experience, as Professor Neubauer discovered an interest in Anthropology. He was awarded the US National Science Foundation Fellowship in Science Faculty to work with Mary Douglas, a world-renowned anthropologist at University College London in 1969-1970. He “came out of the experience with what would turn out to be a long-time interest in working across disciplinary boundaries...” While he feels that “accidental administrator” duties held him back, he has a sterling research record: he has written and edited 26 books, published 33 peer-reviewed articles and prepared 142 professional papers.

From 1970-2004, Professor Neubauer was a professor in the Department of Political Science at University of Hawai’i, Manoa (UHM), where he served as founding Dean of College of Social Sciences and the founding director of the Globalization Research Center and as executive director of the Globalization Research Network, which comprised over 45 institutions world-wide in 2005. Between 2001 to 2004, he

served as both the interim Chancellor of UHM and interim Vice President for Academic Affairs for the ten campuses in the University of Hawai'i System. He also worked with the East-West Center, a US-based institution for public diplomacy in the Indo-Pacific region, from 2006 to 2020, where he assisted in founding the Asia Pacific Higher Education Research Partnership (APHERP), an inter-university research partnership involving 15 universities. APHERP is presently hosted at Lingnan University. His contribution has positioned Lingnan University as a leading hub for higher education research and learning, including the establishment of the MA in International Higher Education and Management programme in 2017.

Since the 1980s, he has served on Higher Education Accreditation teams predominantly in the US but also in Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, Malaysia, Japan, China, Taiwan, and Hong Kong, to promote quality education. Over the years, he has served on 235 dissertation committees, some of them in public health and the physical sciences, which he regards as one of the “most valuable things” he has done. Professor Neubauer has also served the community. He was one of the founding members of a member-owned natural food cooperative on Oahu in 1971 whose aim was and is to boost local food security by growing healthy food.

Throughout his illustrious career, he has received about 30 prominent awards, honours, and grants, including excellence in teaching awards, distinguished awards for service to the community and several US Congress-backed grants to establish research platforms such as the Globalisation Research Centre.

As a lifelong learner, he is currently researching the artificial intelligence revolution and the role it may play in the transformation of higher education. Presently, Professor Neubauer is an Emeritus Professor of Political Science at UHM. Professor Neubauer wishes to underscore his gratitude to his wife, Keiko Sakuma-Neubauer for her steadfast support throughout his complex life journey.

Mr Chairman, in recognition of his outstanding academic achievements and notable contributions to global higher education, it is my utmost honour to present Professor Deane E. Neubauer to you for conferment of the degree of Doctor of Social Sciences *honoris causa*.

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Deane E. Neubauer 教授

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贊辭

Deane E. Neubauer 教授於1937年大蕭條末期在美國威斯康辛州東南部的拉辛市出生。與當時不少家庭一樣，雙親外出工作謀生，小孩就讓祖父母照顧，因此他小時候多數時間跟隨祖父母生活。他亦跟同齡的孩子一樣，需要兼職工作以幫補家計。他特別感謝祖父母，讓他明白教育的重要。

1955年，他跟隨家人移居加州，在當地的社區學院修讀化學，1957年徵召入伍。服役期間，他修讀了關於歷史和美國政治課程，產生了對政治學的興趣。

回到加州，他進入加州大學河濱分校主修政治學，其後獲得政治學學士學位。他以全班排名前 1% 的成績畢業。求學期間，他有幸成為其導師 David S. McLellan 教授的研究助理，完成課程後更獲任為教學助理，這是政治學系首次作出如此聘任安排。由於對政治學的興趣日益濃厚，他選擇研究院而捨法學院開展其事業。

1962年，他獲得Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship政治學獎學金，進入耶魯大學研究院，在Robert A. Dahl教授的指導下撰寫論文，分別於1965年和1966年取得政治學碩士和博士學位。

在攻讀博士學位的最後階段，他於1965年獲加州大學爾灣分校聘請，在大學「特許」學院負責開設跨學科社會科學課程。這次事業上的轉型，讓Neubauer 教授發現他對人類學的興趣。他後來更獲頒美國國家科學基金會科學學院獎學金，在1969至1970年期間與世界聞名的人類學家瑪麗•道格拉斯博士在倫敦大學學院共事，「從不同經歷中發展出對跨學科工作的持久興趣……」。他認為，如果沒有擔任「臨時行政」職務，他的研究成果會更豐碩。事實上，他在研究上已經碩果累累，撰寫和編輯了約26本書，發表過33篇同行評審文章，完成了142篇專業論文。

Neubauer教授於1970年至2004年擔任夏威夷大學馬諾阿分校政治學系教授期間，創辦了社會科學院以及全球化研究中心，並分別擔任院長及主任。他其後於2005年擔任由全球超過 45 個機構組成的全球化研究網絡之執行總監。2001年至

2004年，他擔任夏威夷大學馬諾阿分校暫任校長，及夏威夷大學十個校園的暫任學術事務副校長。2006年至2020年，他在美國東西方中心工作，這是由美國成立的印太地區公共外交機構，在該機構工作期間，Neubauer教授協助成立了亞太高等教育研究聯盟 (APHERP)。此聯盟為跨大學研究伙伴機構，由15所大學組成，目前設立於嶺南大學。正是由於Neubauer教授在此方面的貢獻，嶺南大學遂成為高等教育研究和教學的重要樞紐，並於2017年開辦國際高等教育與管理文學碩士課程。

自1980年代以來，他曾任職多個高等教育認證團隊，在美國、澳洲、紐西蘭、泰國、馬來西亞、日本、中國、台灣、香港等地區推廣優質教育。多年來，他曾擔任235個論文委員會的成員，當中包括公共衛生和物理科學等領域，他認為這是他做過的「最有價值的事情」之一。Neubauer教授亦熱心服務社區，於1971年在夏威夷歐胡島參與創辦了天然食品合作社，致力透過種植健康食品來提高當地的糧食安全標準。

在其輝煌的職業生涯當中，他曾獲約30個重要獎項、榮譽頭銜和撥款，包括多個卓越教學獎、傑出社區服務獎，以及用以成立全球化研究中心等多個研究平台的美國國會支持的撥款。

Neubauer 教授熱衷於終身學習，現為夏威夷大學馬諾阿分校政治學榮休教授，正研究人工智能革命及其在高等教育轉型中所發揮的作用。Neubauer 教授要特別感謝妻子 Keiko Sakuma-Neubauer 在他豐盛的人生旅程中給予的堅定支持。

主席先生，為表揚Neubauer教授在學術上的傑出成就，以及對全球高等教育的重大貢獻，本人謹恭請 閣下頒授榮譽社會科學博士學位予Deane E. Neubauer 教授。

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