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Dr. Todd served as the 11th President of the University of Kentucky (UK) from July 2, 2001 through June, 2011. He is a native of Earlington, Kentucky, and a graduate of UK. He earned the master's and doctoral degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. President Todd is the sixth alumnus to hold the presidency, and he is a former engineering professor at UK.

Prior to assuming the presidency of the University of Kentucky, he was a successful businessman, launching two worldwide technology companies (both based in Kentucky). He founded DataBeam Corporation in 1976 (a leader in real-time distance learning software and development platforms) which he subsequently sold to IBM; and Projectron, Inc. in 1981 (for the manufacture of cathode ray tubes for flight simulators) which he subsequently sold to Hughes Aircraft Company.

He is a well-known public advocate for research, technology and an entrepreneurial economy. Dr. Todd holds Board of Directors positions with the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities, the American Council on Education, the Business-Higher Education Forum, and the Council on Competitiveness. Dr. Todd is the Chair of the Executive Committee for the *Science and Mathematics Teacher Imperative*, a major initiative of the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities. He is also a member of the National Research Council's Committee on the Future of Research Universities.

He is the current Chair of the NSF Federal Advisory Committee for Education and Human Resources, a position he has held since November 2007.