

## Bio: Jon Harbor, Purdue University

Jon Harbor currently serves as Executive Director of Digital Education and Associate Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning at Purdue University. In this role, he provides long-term vision and management for a transformation of Purdue University's digital education portfolio and organization, and has provided oversight for several programs serving the entire campus, including: Exploratory Studies, Entrepreneurship Certificate, Undergraduate Research, Learning Communities, Center for Instructional Excellence, and Summer Sessions. He also assists with academic policy development and resource allocation, and in planning, directing, and evaluating undergraduate academic programs. He has extensive experience in strategic plan development and implementation.



Jon was born in England and completed his undergraduate studies in Geography at Cambridge University. He moved to the USA for his MA in Geography at the University of Colorado, and subsequently completed his PhD in Geological Sciences at the University of Washington. After working as a Senior Associate Scientist for an environmental engineering company he served as an Assistant Professor at Kent State University before being recruited to Purdue University as an Associate Professor. He was promoted to Full Professor in 2001 and has held regular and adjunct/visiting/ fellowship/ honorary appointments at the University of Colorado Denver, the University of Tennessee, North Carolina State University, Stockholm University, the University of Canterbury (New Zealand), the University of Nottingham Ningbo, and Qinghai Normal University.

In 2013, Jon completed concurrent terms as Head of the Department of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences at Purdue and serving as the founding/interim director of the university's Global Sustainability Institute. He then spent a year as a Marie Curie International Incoming Fellow at Stockholm University, and then a year in the American Council on Education's national leadership development program working with the Chancellor and Provost at North Carolina State University. Jon has held a range of leadership positions at the university level, including serving as an Associate Vice President for Research, Dean of a College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Interim Dean of a College of Science, Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education, Founding / Interim Director of Purdue's Global Sustainability Institute, and Founding Co-Director of Purdue's Discovery Learning Research Center. The breadth of Jon's appointments reflects his institution's recognition of his ability to contribute across a wide range of areas when there is a need for leadership during periods of transition.

With research and education interests in applied hydrology, environmental education, and glacial geology, Jon has authored or co-authored over 100 peer-reviewed papers in scientific journals and he currently has leadership roles in two multinational research teams. His research and education initiatives have been supported by research grants totaling over \$10M from agencies including the National Science Foundation, the Environmental Protection Agency, NASA, and National Geographic. Jon is past chair of the Association of American Geographers' Geomorphology Specialty Group, currently serves on the Association's Healthy Departments Committee, and served on the Executive Committee of the American Geophysical Union Heads and Chairs Board.

Jon is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society (UK), a former Fulbright Senior Scholar, American Council on Education Fellow, and Marie Curie Fellow, and in 2015 he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate by Stockholm University. His teaching and mentoring has been recognized by Purdue's top university awards in both undergraduate teaching and graduate mentoring, and his induction into Purdue's "Book of Great Teachers".