

EMERITI RECOGNITION

DR. BRENTON J. WATKINS

PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS, EMERITUS

Dr. Brenton J. Watkins has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1981 to 2011; and

He has taught three decades of physics students at UAF, helping to mold the current generation of physics researchers around the world; and is recognized by his colleagues for his student-oriented approach to teaching in his clarity in presentation and his careful approach to examinations; and helped create a new master's degree program in computational physics.

His career has been devoted to expanding mankind's knowledge of the workings of the ionosphere; and has made major advancements in the field of radiophysics, which better explains how the aurora interacts with the atmosphere; and has pioneered ways to use computer modeling to study the changes in the atmosphere; and whose work is recognized throughout the space physics research community.

His outstanding record of service to the University includes a multitude of committees from the department to the universitywide levels; and has helped improve the tools used by researchers by being a part of the UAF Academic Computer Users Committee and the ARSC Technology Panel; and has been sought by Federal agencies to apply his extensive knowledge and expertise to a variety of federal agencies.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Brenton J. Watkins for his contributions to the State of Alaska and the University. 
