



**The PhD Project  
Hall of Fame  
Inaugural Inductee - 2011  
John A. Elliott, Ph.D.  
Dean of the School of Business  
University of Connecticut**

*- In addition to his involvement at PhD Project conferences since our inception, Dr. Elliott has proved to be an incredible resource for our AHEAD program to achieve higher education administration diversity and has participated in extensive planning and webinars for this initiative. He has also helped to advance the mission of The PhD Project throughout the City University of New York (CUNY) and in our efforts to achieve system-wide CUNY participation.*

John A. Elliott is the Dean of the School of Business at the University of Connecticut. Dean Elliott received his B.S. and M.B.A. degrees from the University of Maryland and his Ph.D. degree from Cornell University. Prior to accepting the Deanship at the University of Connecticut, he served as Dean of the Zicklin School of Business at Baruch College and spent 20 years on the faculty and as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at Cornell University's Johnson Graduate School of Management.

Dean Elliott is a certified public accountant with professional experience as an auditor and consultant for Arthur Andersen & Co. and in the controller's office of the Westinghouse Defense and Space Center. During his career in academia, Dean Elliott's teaching responsibilities have included financial accounting, intermediate accounting, financial statement analysis, taxation and extensive executive teaching.

His research is concentrated on the role of accounting information in financial analysis and contracts. Dean Elliott's academic publications have appeared in the *Accounting Review*, the *Journal of Accounting Research*, *Accounting Horizons*, and *The Rand Journal* among others. In 2004, his paper on earnings management (with Nelson and Tarpley) received the Notable Contributions to Accounting Literature award from the American Accounting Association and also the Wildman Medal. His co-authored textbook, *Introduction to Financial Accounting*, is now available in its 10<sup>th</sup> edition.

He currently serves on the Board of Directors of National Financial Partners (NFP), a publicly traded NYSE listed company, and of Liquidnet, a private company. He was the founding President of the Financial Accounting and Reporting Section of the American Accounting Association (AAA) and served on the AAA Financial Accounting Standards



Committee, which responds to FASB exposure drafts and requests for comment on developing accounting issues and practices. He has also served on the Board of Directors of the Graduate Management Admissions Council (GMAC); of the Hangar Theatre and the Cayuga Medical Center in Ithaca, N.Y.; and of Neuberger Berman prior to its acquisition by Lehman Brothers.