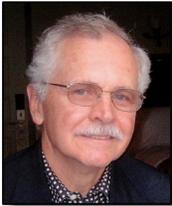




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Frank K. Lester, Jr. is Emeritus Chancellor's Professor of Mathematics Education and of Cognitive Science at Indiana University, from which he retired in 2008. He earned B.S. and M.S. degrees in mathematics education from FSU in 1966 and '67 and a Ph.D. from Ohio State University in 1972.

His primary research interests lie in the areas of mathematical problem solving and metacognition, especially with respect to problem-solving instruction at the primary and middle school levels. A special feature of his research has been his commitment to transforming research results into practice.

From 1991 until 1996 he was editor of the *Journal for Research in Mathematics Education*, the leading English-language research journal in mathematics education. He also was editor of the two-volume *Second Handbook of Research on Mathematics Teaching and Learning* published in 2007.

Currently he is coediting a series of books on the implications for teaching of research on learning algebra, calculus, geometry, probability and statistics, and discrete mathematics.

His appointment in 2000 to an endowed Chair of Teacher Education at his university was based largely on his national and international reputation as a scholar and teacher educator. In 2006 he was awarded a university Chancellor's Professorship in Teaching and Research in recognition of his contributions to the University and to the national and international mathematics education community. In 2008 he received the first-ever Award for Outstanding Scholarship in Mathematics Teacher Education by the Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators, a Lifetime Achievement Award of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Pedagogy degree by Abo Akademi University in Turku, Finland. During his nearly 50-year career, Dr. Lester has been a visiting professor in Australia, Brazil, Canada, England, New Zealand, and Sweden, but perhaps just as importantly, he has many memories of his student days at FSU, and he is extremely honored to have been selected as a recipient of a Distinguished Alumni Award.