

(Barcelona, 1946). Full professor (1990) at the University of Barcelona, with extensive teaching and research experience. Currently Rector of the University of Barcelona, a post he has held since 2008, having been re-elected in 2012.

He holds PhDs from the University of Barcelona in Philosophy and Education Sciences (1982) and in Economic and Business Sciences (1989). He began his academic career in 1973 as an assistant lecturer at the Barcelona School of Business Studies, where in 1969 he completed his training as a certified public accountant.

He has held a variety of management and executive positions in the higher education sector, all of them at the University of Barcelona: Vice-dean of the Faculty of Economic and Business Sciences (1984-1989), Vice-rector for Economics and Administration (1990-1994), Special Delegate of the University of Barcelona to the University School of Hotel Management and Tourism (1995-1999), and Director of the Department of Economic, Financial and Actuarial Mathematics (2002-2008).

He has combined his work in university management with executive positions in other areas, as President of the Catalan Philosophy Society, an affiliate of the Institute of Catalan Studies (2001-2006), Treasurer of Barcelona Football Club (2003), member of the Board of Administrators of the Quinta de Salud de la Aliança (2007), appointed by the Government of Catalonia, and legal administrator of the Intervida Foundation (2007-2008), appointed by the Catalan Ministry of Justice.

In his time as Rector of the University of Barcelona he has also served as President of the Catalan Association of Public Universities (2010-2011), President of the Vives University Network (2012-2013), President of the International Forum of Public Universities (2012-2013), and President of the Sector-specific Committee for Academic Affairs (CASUE) of the Conference of Rectors of Spanish Universities (2013-present), and member of the executive committees of Universia and RedEmprendia.