Dr. Steve Wrigley *Chancellor* University System of Georgia

Dr. Steve Wrigley in 2017 became the 13th Chancellor of the University System of Georgia. He oversees 26 public colleges and universities with a \$9.62 billion annual budget, 48,000 faculty and staff and more than 333,000 students.

The Georgia Public Library System and the Georgia Archives are also part of the University System, which has been recognized nationally for its efforts in cost savings and student attainment. The number of students annually earning degrees has increased almost 24 percent since 2011, from about 54,000 to more than 67,000. And through support from initiatives such as Affordable Learning Georgia, students have saved \$19 million annually through the use of free online textbooks.

Prior to becoming chancellor, Wrigley served as executive vice chancellor of administration for the University System of Georgia from June 2011 until his appointment as Chancellor. Wrigley formerly served as senior vice president for external affairs, as well as vice president for government relations, at the University of Georgia. He also served as Director of the Carl Vinson Institute of Government.

Prior to his work in the University System, Wrigley worked in state government in Georgia, including five years as chief of staff to former Governor Zell Miller. During his career, Wrigley has worked on a number of key issues, including the creation of the state lottery and the HOPE Scholarship.

Wrigley earned his undergraduate degree from Georgia State University and his doctorate in history from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. He and his wife, Lynne, have two children.