

# Innovation Beyond Conventional Institutional Boundaries:

A Conversation with Michael Crow,  
President, Arizona State University

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2-3 p.m.

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Iowa State University President **Wendy Wintersteen** will host the conversation with Dr. Crow, who is part of ISU's history and legacy of innovators. Featuring **Karen Kerns**, ISU Entrepreneur in Residence and Director of Innovation Programming, and **Abram Anders**, ISU Associate Professor of English and cofounder of the Flagship Fridays Innovators Forum.



## President Michael Crow

Arizona State University

Dr. Crow is an educator, knowledge enterprise architect, science and technology policy scholar and higher education leader. An alumnus of Iowa State University (B.A., political science and environmental studies, '77), he served as director of ISU's Office of Science Policy and Research from 1985 to 1991, director of ISU's Institute for Physical Research and Technology from 1988 to 1991, and assistant director for planning and program development for Ames Laboratory. Dr. Crow became the sixteenth president of Arizona State University in 2002 and has spearheaded ASU's rapid and groundbreaking transformative evolution into one of the world's best public metropolitan research universities. As a model "New American University," ASU simultaneously demonstrates comprehensive excellence, inclusivity representative of the ethnic and socioeconomic diversity of the United States, and consequential societal impact. Lauded as the "#1 most innovative" school in the nation by U.S. News & World Report (2016-2020), ASU is a student-centric, technology-enabled university focused on complex global challenges related to sustainability, economic competitiveness, social embeddedness, entrepreneurship and global engagement. Under Dr. Crow's leadership, ASU has established 25 new transdisciplinary schools, including the School of Earth and Space Exploration, the School for the Future of Innovation in Society and the School of Human Evolution and Social Change, and launched trailblazing multidisciplinary initiatives including the Biodesign Institute, the Julie Ann Wrigley Global Institute of Sustainability, and important initiatives in the humanities and social sciences.