



Dr. Vianne Timmons  
President and Vice-Chancellor  
University of Regina

Dr. Vianne Timmons was appointed Incoming Chair of CBIE in November 2008.

Dr. Timmons grew up in Newfoundland and Labrador and spent her early career in Alberta and British Columbia. She moved back to Atlantic Canada in 1992 to join St. Francis Xavier University where she was an associate professor and then chair of the Education Department. In 1996, she joined the Faculty of Education at the University of Prince Edward Island, and became Vice-President, Academic Development in 2001. She officially began her role as seventh President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Regina on September 1, 2008.

Dr. Timmons obtained her PhD in Education Psychology in 1993 from the University of Calgary. She maintains an active and wide-ranging research program, with particular emphasis on literacy and learning and their roles in establishing healthy, vibrant communities. She is passionate about internationalization and has worked in India over an eight-year period supporting families of children with special needs.

Active in the academic community regionally, nationally and internationally, Dr. Timmons served for six years on the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), and is President-Elect of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual Disabilities (IASSID). She is also a member of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) Standing Advisory Committee on Educational Issues.