

Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Chris Miller



Chris Miller is in his third year as associate vice president within the Division of Student Affairs in 2018–19. Miller serves as Clemson’s dean of students and oversees the offices of Advocacy and Success, Career and Professional Development, Community and Ethical Standards, Fraternity and Sorority Life, and Student Transitions and Family Programs.

Miller came to Clemson with a distinguished background in higher education. From 2008 to 2015, he served as vice president for Student Affairs at Marquette University, a private institution in Milwaukee, Wis., with a combined enrollment of over 15,000.

At Marquette, Miller was in charge of a \$47 million Student Affairs budget and helped spearhead a number of initiatives for various areas, from administration to development to diversity.

Miller worked at the University of Illinois at Springfield from 2002-2008. Following a year as an associate vice chancellor and dean of students, he was named vice chancellor within the Division of Student Affairs. His time at Springfield included supervision of more than 25 departments and areas.

He spent time at Arizona State University and South Dakota State University from 1997-2002. In Tempe, Miller was an assistant dean within the Office of Student Life, serving a university population of over 60,000. In Sioux Falls, he was an associate dean and oversaw seven departments within the Division of Student Affairs.

Miller’s career in higher education began at The American Institute, a junior college in Phoenix, Ariz. He began as an assistant dean within the Legal Studies program and eventually worked his way into the institute’s chief executive officer position in 1995-1996.

Miller earned bachelor’s degrees in political science and history from the University of North Carolina. He earned master’s and doctorate degrees from Arizona State University. He also earned a juris doctorate from Campbell University.

With an impressive educational pedigree, Miller took full advantage of it at previous stops, serving as an adjunct professor from 1989 to 2015. Miller has also belonged to and is currently serving on a number of professional and academic boards, committees and organizations.

Miller and his wife Julie have two sons, Ryan and Ethan, and a daughter Blayr.