Historical Presidents and Current Officers of the University

Presidents of the University Since 1887*

- George Edgar 1887 – 1892
- Alvin Lewis 1892 – 1897
- Albert A. Murphree 1897 – 1909
- Edward Conradi 1909 – 1941
- Doak S. Campbell 1941 – 1957
- Albert B. Martin (Acting President) 1957
- Rober M. Strozier 1957 – 1960
- Milton W. Carothers (Acting President) 1960
- Gordon W. Blackwell 1960 – 1965
- John E. Champion (Acting President) 1965
- Stanley Marshall (Acting President) 1969
- Bernard F. Sliger (Interim President) 1976 – 1977
- Bernard F. Sliger (Interim President) 1993
- Talbot “Sandy” D’Alemberte 1994 – 2002
- T.K. Wetherell 2003 – 2010
- Eric J. Barron 2010 – 2014
- Garnett S. Stokes (Interim President) 2014
- John Thrasher 2014 –

*Prior to 1887, the school’s executive officer was called the principal.

Source: Office of the President
Online Resource: The Office of the President’s website can be accessed online at http://president.fsu.edu/

President John Thrasher

John Thrasher, a Florida State University alumnus and former state legislator, is the university's 15th president. His term began on November 6, 2014, and he assumed office on November 10, 2014.

Thrasher earned a bachelor’s degree in business from Florida State in 1965. He subsequently joined the U.S. Army where he received the Army Commendation Medal in Germany and was awarded two Bronze stars for his service in Vietnam. He was honorably discharged as a captain in 1970. Thrasher then returned to his alma mater to earn a law degree with honors in 1972.

From 2001 to 2005, Thrasher was the first chair of Florida State University’s Board of Trustees. Born in Columbia, S.C., Thrasher grew up in Jacksonville after moving to Florida in 1949. He and his wife, Jean, have 3 children and 8 grandchildren.

Senior Administration Team of Florida State University

- Provost & Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs: Sally McRorie
- Vice President for Faculty Development and Advancement: Janet Kistner
- Vice President - Finance and Administration: Kyle Clark
- Vice President for Research: Gary K. Ostrander
- Vice President for Student Affairs: Amy Hecht
- Vice President for University Advancement: Thomas W. Jennings
- Associate Vice President for University Relations: Kathleen Daly
- Assistant Vice President for University Communications: Browning Brooks
- Chief of Staff: David Coburn
- General Counsel: Carolyn Egan
- Chief Legislative Affairs Office: Kathy Mears

Others Reporting Directly to the President

- Director, Student Veterans Center: Billy Francis
- Deputy Chief of Staff: Elizabeth E. Hirst
- Athletics Director: Stan Wilcox

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