

Biography

Dr. Patrick J. Moreo is Professor and Associate Dean of Operations and Executive Education for the William F. Harrah College of Hotel Administration which he assumed after having served as Chair of the Department of Food and Beverage Management at UNLV. He leads the faculty and oversees the operations of a teaching restaurant and the catering operations of the College. He leads the International Gaming Institute and the Hospitality Research and Development Center. He is also the director of the Summer Studies in Switzerland Program.

Before his move to Las Vegas he served as the Director of the School of Hotel and Restaurant Administration at Oklahoma State University where he was the Lanphere Professor, teaching primarily in the hotel operations area and directed the Hospitality Studies in Switzerland Program. He led the School's faculty and oversaw the operation of three teaching restaurants and a teaching hotel on campus. He also taught in the School's Asia Doctoral Program. The School grew from 180 to 500 students during his seven year tenure there.

Prior to his arrival at Oklahoma State U., Moreo was the head of the Hotel, Restaurant & Tourism Management Department at New Mexico State University for five years. While there, he led the program to departmental status in the College of Agriculture and Home Economics.

Before his move to New Mexico State, Dr. Moreo was the Associate Director of the School of Hotel Restaurant and Recreation Management at Penn State University for seven years. Prior to that, he served for 13 years as a faculty member at the College of Hotel Administration, University of Nevada Las Vegas.

Moreo has assisted in the planning and execution of two new buildings, he served as co-director and co-founder of the Summer Studies in Switzerland Program, and served as the Director of the Graduate Program in the College of Hotel Administration at UNLV.

Dr. Moreo's professional experience includes positions as a consultant for Pannell Kerr Forster and Company (now PKF Consulting), manager of Howard Johnson Motor Lodges, and food service management in the U.S. Navy. He has participated in many consulting assignments and conducted numerous seminars on front office management and Italian Cuisine. His publishing has focused in the area of organizational structures in hospitality management and education, the needs of female business travelers, and hotel operating systems design.

Moreo received his Doctorate and Bachelor degrees from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; the Master of Professional Studies from the School of Hotel Administration at Cornell University, and a Hotel/Culinary Associate degree from New York City Technical College.