

## Alfred Bloom Vice Chancellor, New York University Abu Dhabi

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As Vice Chancellor of NYU Abu Dhabi, Alfred Bloom oversees all academic, administrative, and operational affairs of the University. Vice Chancellor Bloom, a psychology and linguistics expert, joined NYUAD from Swarthmore College after an 18 year tenure as President. Prior to assuming the presidency at Swarthmore, he served as Executive Vice President of Pitzer College in Claremont, California, and as a member of the Swarthmore faculty for 12 years.

Vice Chancellor Bloom's research brings together psychology and linguistics, particularly with respect to how they help us to understand cross-cultural continuities and differences in thought and moral understanding. He has conducted extensive research in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, and France and is fluent in French, Spanish, and Mandarin Chinese. He is the author of *The Linguistic Shaping of Thought: A Study of the Impact of Language on Thinking in China and the West* as well as numerous articles including "The Privileging of Experience in Chinese Practical Reasoning," *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*; "Psychological Ingredients of High-Level Moral Thinking: A Critique of the Kohlberg-Gilligan Paradigm," *Journal for the Theory of Social Behavior*; and "Caution - The words you use may affect what you say," *Cognition*.

Vice Chancellor Bloom graduated summa cum laude from Princeton University in 1967. He received his Ph.D. from Harvard University in 1974 and holds honorary doctorates from the University of Richmond and Swarthmore College.