

University of Haifa

The Senate of the University of Haifa, by virtue of the authority vested in it by the constitution of the University and in accordance with the recommendations of the President and the Executive Committee

hereby confers upon

Steven Haberman

the degree of

Doctor of Philosophy, Honoris Causa

In recognition of his academic excellence in actuarial science and statistics, which places him at the forefront of academia and research in the world; for being one of the leading researchers in the actuarial, insurance and risk management fields; for his unstinting activities in the public arena that are aimed at improving society whenever and wherever required; for his contribution to the advancement and study of actuarial research in general and the University of Haifa in particular; and for being a true friend of Israeli academia and the State of Israel.

Conferred on 22 Sivan 5778/June 5, 2018
Haifa, Israel



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Mooly Eden
Chairman of the Executive Committee

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Prof. Ron Robin
President

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Prof. Gustavo Mesch
Rector

PROFESSOR STEVEN HABERMAN

Steven Haberman is a Professor of Actuarial Science at the Cass Business School, City, University of London. Born in June 1951, Haberman earned a BA in Mathematics from the University of Cambridge in 1972. In 1975, he qualified as a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries and in 1982 he completed his doctorate in Actuarial Studies at City, University of London.

Prof. Haberman served as Deputy Dean and Director of Cass Business School between 2002 and 2012, and thereafter served as its Dean, until 2015. Under his direction, the School became one of the leading schools worldwide for the research and study of Actuarial Science.

During those years, Prof. Haberman held several senior positions including a consultant to Swiss Reinsurance and to Deutsche Bank; a member of the Council of the Institute for Actuaries (over two terms); a founding member of the Financial Council's Reporting Board for Actuarial Standards; Chairman of the Board of Governors of the London Institute of Banking and Finance; and a member of the scientific panel of the largest pension insurance company in the UK, where he serves as the expert in actuarial science.

Prof. Haberman's important academic contributions lay in the field of actuarial research, where he is considered a pioneer in the application of techniques from the world of financial economics into pension models. His research studies in the models of mortality, pension, health and actuarial longevity are lauded for their unique contributions to the field. The impact of his groundbreaking work is evident not only in the field of theoretical research, but also in practical areas, with decision makers in different countries, particularly in Britain, using his services.

Prof. Haberman is an exemplary model of an academic who is involved in public activity aimed at benefitting the general public. He has contributed greatly to the development and advancement of actuarial research globally and in Israel in particular. His tireless efforts, which he carried out on a voluntary basis, were extremely helpful in setting up an academically rigorous program for actuarial studies at the University of Haifa, whose graduates hold key positions in the Israeli economy. His efforts also contributed greatly to the advancement of actuarial research at the University.

Prof. Haberman's outstanding research achievements have won him many prizes and awards over the years, and he has to his credit the recognition of the two most important actuarial bodies in the world: The Institute of Actuaries in Britain and the Society of Actuaries in the United States.

Prof. Haberman founded a generation of researchers in the actuarial discipline. He has written seven books, some of which are considered authoritative in their field, and his articles (of which there are some 200), have been published in leading actuarial, insurance and risk management journals.