

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

Alfred Tauber

the degree of

Doctor of Philosophy, Honoris Causa

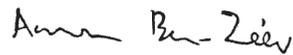
in recognition of his outstanding research in the fields of medicine and philosophy and his unique amalgamation of the two; his courage in taking a non-consensus path of conscience and faith; his virtuosity – an essential virtue in academia; the transformation and renewal that he has brought about in psychiatric rehabilitation and in the integration of individuals with psychiatric disabilities in the community; his noble friendship with the State of Israel and with the University of Haifa in particular; and his longstanding support of studies and research in Community Mental Health and Social Welfare and Health Sciences at the University of Haifa.

Conferred in Haifa, Israel
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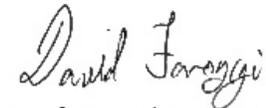
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PROFESSOR ALFRED TAUBER

Born in 1947 in Washington, D.C., Prof. Tauber graduated with honors from Tufts University School of Medicine, and went on to specialize in hematology, biochemistry, and immunology. He has published more than 125 research papers in these fields and has served on the faculties of Harvard University and Boston University.

For the past 20 years, Tauber has focused on the philosophy of science, and in 1993 he was appointed Director of the Center for Philosophy and History of Science at Boston University, where he authored or edited 13 books and more than 90 research papers in the philosophy of science and moral philosophy.

Tauber's eclectic scholarly interests are held together by his efforts to characterize science and medicine both as models of knowledge and as moral endeavors. Through the practice of self-criticism, objectivity, and free discourse, science offers society ways of thinking and acting that go well beyond the technical mastery of nature. Tauber has been a key proponent of teaching these deeper ideals and showing how science, when regarded in its historical and philosophical contexts, represents a cultural resource that reaches well beyond its research findings. In 2008, in recognition of his philosophical contributions, Tauber received the Medal for Science from the University of Bologna.

In 2003, together with his sister, Ingrid, Tauber established the Laszlo N. Tauber Family Foundation in memory of their father. The family's longstanding philanthropic commitment to Jewish welfare has focused upon the needs of those with mental disabilities. Through advocacy and an extensive research and educational program, the Foundation has undertaken a commitment to expand and reform psychiatric rehabilitation in Israel. In collaboration with government, non-government organizations, and universities, significant institutional change promises improved care for this vulnerable population. As the home of Israel's premier Community Health Program, the University of Haifa has become a crucial partner in this effort through its research faculty and graduate education.