

Candidate for Dean, College of Agricultural Sciences: **Dr. Mark McLellan**



**Dr. McLellan is currently serving as vice president for research and dean of the School of Graduate Studies at Utah State University, Utah’s land-grant and space-grant research institution.**

McLellan has helped orchestrate a multi-year, major new infusion of state funding for support of graduate students and graduate education at USU. He oversaw a full review and overhaul of all USU graduate programs. He also helped build a major research expansion and record level of research funding at USU. He was tenured at Cornell University where he also served as department chair. At Texas A&M University, he served as research center director and at the Univ. of Florida he was appointed as a dean.

He currently chairs the US Food & Drug Administration Science Advisory Board dealing with complex issues such as the opioid epidemic in the US. Additionally, McLellan was selected in 2016 as the inaugural chair of the US Department of Agriculture’s Science Advisory Council. He co-chaired the APLU/AAU Task Force on Laboratory Safety and he served as a member of the APLU/AAU Task Force on Public Access.