

**President Connie Ledoux Book**  
**Elon University**

Dr. Connie Ledoux Book is a passionate advocate for higher education and its power to transform students' lives. She spent 16 years as an Elon faculty member and administrative leader, helping to build the university's reputation for excellence in engaged teaching and learning. In 2015 she accepted a groundbreaking role as the first female provost and chief academic officer at The Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina. Following her impressive accomplishments there, she returned to Elon as president in 2018, bringing a deep appreciation for the university's unique history and its rapid rise to national prominence.

Under President Book's leadership, Elon has launched the 10-year Boldly Elon strategic plan to advance the university's national leadership in experiential education, mentoring and student success. Elon has been reclassified as a Doctoral/Professional institution, ranked as a top-100 National University and named the nation's "Best Run" university. There are many new full-time faculty positions along with innovative new academic programs in engineering and nursing and numerous new facilities. In 2022 Elon opens the Innovation Quad, providing two new buildings for engineering and sciences.

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