

Martin P. Sellers, PhD

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Biography

Dr. Martin Sellers is Dean of the Paul V. Hamilton School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at Lincoln Memorial University (LMU). He received formal education, including a BA in Political Science and Public Administration, from the College of New Jersey, a Master's in Public Administration (MPA) from New York University and a PhD in Political Science from Temple University in Philadelphia. He also acquired an MBA at LMU in 2020.

His career path led him to the United States Air Force and then to the U. S. Department of Agriculture as a program evaluator, inner-city health program director, and assistant bureau chief with the Department of Law and Public Safety with the State of New Jersey. He began a career in higher education as a faculty member and then Chair of the Department of Government, History and Justice at Campbell University in Buies Creek, North Carolina. He was appointed Dean of Undergraduate Studies at Lincoln Memorial University in 2002, then Vice President for Academic Affairs at the College of Saint Mary in 2006; moving to Cox College in Springfield, Missouri as VPAA and VP for Student Services until 2011. Dr. Sellers returned to LMU as Dean of Research and Service in the fall of 2011 and was then appointed Dean of the School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences in 2012.

Dr. Sellers is married to Tricia Sellers, they have five children. His hobbies are playing guitar, writing Christian music, and long-distance running.

Teaching and Research Interests

Dr. Sellers' academic and research interests focus on healthcare and healthcare costs, NILs (Name, Image, and Likeness), state and local government, privatization, and prison education. He is currently working on projects regarding collaboration in local government and the high cost of healthcare.

Publications and Presentations (last five years)

Publications

Articles Reviewed

"Exploring the Impact of Narrative Persuasion on Student Attitudes Towards the Death Penalty: A Qualitative Approach" for *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*. April 2022.

“Externalizing Legal Authority”, *Administration and Society Journal*, August 2020.

Articles Published

“Health Care Costs: Enough to Make You Sick!”. *PA Times online*. March 3, 2023.

“Name, Image, and Likeness (NILs): What Impact Will NILs Have on Students in the Classroom?” *Journal of Higher Education Theory and Practice*. Vol.23 No.2 (2023).
<https://doi.org/10.33423/jhetp.v23i2>

“Name, Image, and Likeness (NILs): What Impact Will NILs Have on Students in the Classroom?” *SSRN Elsevier*. (June 2022).

Author/Columnist, *PA Times Online*. Spring 2022 (columnist for three years). “Student Athlete or Athlete Student?” Jan 2022.

“Deinstitutionalization Transinstitutionalization Reinstitutionalization”, “Public Policy: Pay Student Athletes?”, “Private Prisons – Public Need”, and “It’s Raining Cats and Dogs in Public Administration”. Fall 2021.

“Public and Private Financial Administration: A Great Dance”, *PA Times* (American Society for Public Administration), December 12, 2020.

Presentations

Sellers, M. (2023). Name, Image, and Likeness (NILs): Impact on Academics. ASPA Conference. March 2023.

Sellers, M. (2022). “Name, Image and Likeness (NILs): What Impact Will This Have on students in the classroom?” SeCOPA Conference, Lexington, KY. (October).

Sellers, M. (2022). “General Education in Universities.” ACA Conference. (September).

Sellers, M. (2022). “NILS; Name, Image, and Likeness of Student Athletes: What Does It Mean?”, ASPA Conference March, Jacksonville, FL.

Sellers, M. (2021). “Online MPA Program: When, Why and How to Transition from Seated to Online” in, Potential Directions for the Future of Technology through a Social Equity Lens panel, ASPA Virtual Conference, (April).

Sellers, M. (2021). “Leadership in Higher Education and the Changing Landscape in Civil Rights”, panelist, Martin Luther King Jr. Day Symposium, Lincoln Memorial University, (January 18).

M. Sellers. (2020). “MPA program, from seated to Online – hoops and hurdles”, ASPA conference, Anaheim, CA, (April). [conference was cancelled – COVID-19]

Sellers, M. (2019). “Public Finance and Private Finance: The Great Dance”, ASPA conference, DC. (April).