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Scott A. Bass has been American University's (AU) Provost since July 2008. As Chief Academic Officer, he provides the leadership needed for AU to achieve its dual mission of providing a student-centered college experience delivered by a professionally active faculty. Bass is responsible for AU's six schools and colleges, the university library, academic affairs, graduate studies and research, undergraduate studies, institutional research and assessment, and all other academic units. Bass is a tenured professor of public administration and policy in AU's School of Public Affairs.

Prior to his time at AU, Bass was the Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate School at The University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC), where he helped lead UMBC's dramatic expansion in research and graduate education. Bass began his academic career at the University of Massachusetts, Boston, where he remained for 17 years and served as Founding Director and Administrator of the Gerontology Institute.

A nationally known gerontologist, Bass has written or edited eight books and 45 articles. He is a Fellow of the Gerontological Society of America and serves on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Aging* and *Social Policy and Research on Aging*. Bass is an Executive Committee Member of ETS's GRE® (*Graduate Record Examinations*®) Board and is Chair of its Minority Graduate Education Committee. He previously served as the Executive Committee Chair of the Council on Research Policy and Graduate Education and on the board of the Council of Graduate Schools.

Bass earned a bachelor's degree in psychology, a master's degree in clinical psychology, and a combined doctorate in psychology and education from the University of Michigan.

