

Professor David Burn

Professor David Burn is President of University of Galway. He became the 14th President of **Ollscoil na Gaillimhe - University of Galway** in September 2025. Previously, Professor Burn served as Pro-Vice Chancellor of the Faculty of Medical Sciences, Newcastle University since 2017 where he led transformative change initiatives to restructure faculty, accelerate research performance, advance equality, diversity and inclusion and drive internationalisation. Until July 2025, David was also Professor of Movement Disorders Neurology and Honorary Consultant Neurologist for Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Trust.

Professor Burn served as Director of an Academic Health Science Centre, the Newcastle Health Research Partnership, which works to deliver improvements to health and wellbeing for the over 3 million people living in the Northeast of England and North Cumbria. Professor Burn will become President of the International Parkinson & Movement Disorder Society in October 2025.

A native of the Northeast of England, David has strong ties to the West coast of Ireland through his wife Aileen, who hails from Limerick.

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