Dr. Gary L. Miller is the fourth chancellor and seventh leader of the University of North Carolina Wilmington. After his arrival at UNCW in July 2011, Dr. Miller spearheaded the university’s focus on three core values: a commitment to the journey of learning, a deep love of place and dedication to the power of ideas and innovation to change lives.

His initiatives have included forming the Chancellor’s Office for Community Partnerships, supporting a number of programs focused on applied learning and the undergraduate academic experience, developing the Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, establishing the University Innovation Council, and guiding the growth of the CREST Research Park, among many other endeavors. During his tenure, the university has launched an innovative online nursing program, opened a $30 million-marine biotechnology business development and research building, and received reaccreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Dr. Miller serves on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors for the Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities (CUMU), a national higher education organization consisting of public and private colleges across the country that value the importance of teaching, research and service to their communities. He is a member of the National Campus Compact Board and the Executive Board of the North Carolina Campus Compact. He is chair of the Colonial Athletic Association Council of Presidents.

Dr. Miller also serves on the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) Committee for Economic and Workforce Development. He is a member of a collaborative steering committee focused on a post-collegiate outcomes initiative funded by the Gates Foundation. The initiative’s partners include the AASCU, the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities (APLU), and the American Association of Community Colleges (AACU). He previously participated as a member of the task force that developed the student learning outcomes component of the Voluntary System of Accountability, a joint project of the APLU and the AASCU.