

Miami Dade College leader Padrón receives STEM honor

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Eduardo Padrón, president of Miami Dade College, on Tuesday received the 2015 U.S. News STEM Leadership Hall of Fame award in a ceremony at the Manchester Grand Hyatt in San Diego.

U.S. News & World Report presents the annual award to recognize individuals for their leadership in advancing science, technology, engineering and math education. The magazine hosts the national STEM

Solutions Conference and publishes the STEM Index.

"I am honored to be inducted into the U.S. News STEM Leadership Hall of Fame and proud to say Miami Dade College is committed to advancing STEM education to strengthen our economy and prepare future innovators who will make a difference in the world," Padrón said in a statement.

Padrón, an economist by training, chairs the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics and serves on several boards, including the Council on Foreign Relations.

Padrn was recognized among the "10 Best College Presidents" by Time magazine in 2009 and listed among the nation's eight most influential college presidents in a 2011 Washington Post piece.



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