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About

Dr Walker joined the University as Pro Vice Chancellor (Academic Strategy) in June 2021. Now in his 25th year of work, his career spans academia, tertiary education, and public policy. Born in the South Wales Valleys and educated at state schools, he has long championed widening opportunities for learners of all ages and backgrounds. Since 2001, he has worked across the UK university sector, completing a PhD at Cardiff University, a PGCE in HE teaching from the University of London, and an MBA from the Institute of Education.

He has taught at Cardiff, the University of South Wales, and Middlesex, and published widely in political theory and higher education studies. Dr Walker joined Universities UK in 2006 as a policy manager and, in 2012, the governing body of the Open University.

He later served as Deputy and Acting CEO of the national colleges association in Cardiff, co-authoring with Sir Ian Diamond the influential Diamond Review of Higher Education Funding and Student Finance, which transformed lifelong learning in Wales. He also led the merger that created AdvanceHE, became Chief Executive of MillionPlus in 2017, and played a key role in the Covid-19 Ministerial Taskforce for Higher Education

