



**PROF. FRANKLIN WILLIS KNIGHT**

Frank Knight high School in Jamaica before proceeding to the University College of the West Indies where he graduated with Honours in 1964. he gained M.A and Ph.D degrees in 1965 and 1969 respectively from the University of Wisconsin in Madison. He taught for five years at the State University New York at Stony Brook and joined the Faculty of the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore in 1973, where he was appointed the Leonard and Helen R. Stulman Professor of History in 1991 – a post he still holds. He has held several fellowships from several organizations which include: The Social Science Research Council,  
The National Endowment for the Humanities  
The Centre for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences

The Ford Foundation and The National Humanities Center.

He has served on several committees in the Caribbean, North America and Latin America and has participated in many public and commercial, radio and television broadcasts in the USA and Europe. He has also served as president of the Latin American Studies Association between 1998 and 2000, and on advisory committees of the Historical Society, the National Research Council, the Handbook of Latin American Studies of the Hispanic Division of the Library of Congress and on the editorial boards of several academic journal in Great Britain and the United States.

He has lectured widely across North and South America as well as Europe, Australia and Japan.

In 2001 he was elected a corresponding member of the Academy of Letters of Bahia, Brazil and in 2004 he was elected president of the Historical Society. He writes a regular column in the Jamaica Observer and has donated more than 1400 publications to the UWI Library.

He has served as Alumni Representative on University Committees – representing the Central Executive Committee that is – Presidents of all UWIAA chapters. Committees include Council, Senate, University Strategy Committee, Board of Undergraduate Studies Committee,

Chairman of Central Executive Committee and UWI Finance and General Purposes Committee.

His major publications include at least fourteen books, ninety articles, one hundred and fifty book reviews and has presented more than one hundred and twenty five papers in Spanish and English at International professional conferences. He is currently writing a general history of Cuba.

In November 2007 he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate in Letters from his alma mater – the University of the West Indies which he has served in so many ways.

The UWI Alumni Association Jamaica Chapter is proud to present to Professor Franklin Willis Knight its symbol of recognition as we welcome you to the distinguished company of Pelican Awardees.