

DR. GEORGE IWAMA

Dr. George Iwama is a fish physiologist. His scientific interests have focused on the stress response in fishes. Just prior to joining the UNBC community, he was the Dean of the Faculty of Science at Carleton University. He previously held the same position at Acadia University, where he also served for a year as Vice-President Academic.

Dr. Iwama holds a PhD in Zoology from the University of British Columbia. After postdoctoral fellowships he returned to UBC as a professor and spent 15 years on faculty, during which time he received numerous academic fellowships and awards for his research on fish physiology, and his service to the field of aquaculture. He has published more than 135 articles and edited two books. His research included a project east of Prince George in the Torpy River.

He has experience in building university-industry-government-community partnerships and was the driving force behind the creation of "science cafes" in Ottawa and Nova Scotia in an effort to bring the excitement of scientific innovation to the public.

Dr. Iwama is married to Marilyn and they have three sons in their twenties. Marilyn and George enjoy cross-country skiing, stand-up paddling and canoeing. He is also loves fishing and enjoys painting, photography, and playing the guitar.