

# Marvin P. Dawkins Ph.D.

## James W. McLamore Outstanding Service Award

**Marvin P. Dawkins**—professor of sociology and the University’s faculty athletics representative to the Atlantic Coast Conference and the National Collegiate Athletic Association—epitomizes dedication to service, mentorship, and scholarship to the University of Miami, its faculty and staff, and most importantly its students. During his long tenure at the University, he has worked tirelessly building programs, mentoring faculty, and exercising leadership within the College of Arts and Sciences. In his service to the Faculty Senate, he has prioritized the educational experience and well-being of our students and student-athletes. He champions inclusion and excellence at every level.

In addition to his service to the University, Dawkins has been at the forefront of scholarship in a wide array of areas within sociology, particularly the role of race in sports—including professional golf and collegiate sports. He has published over 50 articles and presented at numerous conferences and academic events. He has taught more than a dozen different undergraduate courses and seven different graduate courses, and he has served on countless dissertation and master’s committees. He holds a Ph.D. in sociology from Florida State University and has been a faculty member at the University of Miami for 32 years.

Dawkins has never taken lightly the commitment to service he has demonstrated for more than 30 years. In fact, service is his moral compass, guiding his decisions based on what is the right thing to do—especially for our students. Those at the University and especially in the Faculty Senate are all too familiar with his sharp intellect—equally matched by his quick wit, his capacity to look both deeply and broadly on impacts of decisions in the short and long term, and his well-demonstrated collaborative spirit. Marvin P. Dawkins is *caso ejemplar* for all that is good in what it means to be ‘of service.’

