Greg Jones, Senior Strategist for Education
In addition to a 13-year tenure as the dean of Duke Divinity School, L. Gregory Jones served as Duke’s vice president and vice provost for global strategy and programs and created the Office of Global Strategy and Programs in 2010. He took over leadership of Duke Innovation and Entrepreneurship Initiative’s education segment in July 2013. Greg also serves as senior strategist at Leadership Education at Duke Divinity, Williams professor of theology and Christian ministry at Duke Divinity, senior strategist for the Coach K-Fuqua Center on Leadership and Ethics, and affiliated faculty member of Duke Corporate Education. Greg is currently writing a book on “Traditioned Innovation.”

Greg is a highly regarded leader and strategist whose creative engagement has helped institutions around the world to create transformational resource models. His global imagination has guided business, education and religious leaders in Africa, Asia, Europe and the United States. Greg has a particular gift for incubating talent, ideas and networks. He is passionate about reshaping cultures within and across organizations and has coined the term “traditioned innovation” to capture how he reframes complex challenges to seize significant opportunities.

Known for his entrepreneurial leadership and fundraising ability, Greg’s deanship was marked by significant growth in the Divinity School. More than $102 million was raised under his leadership in the Campaign for Duke (1998-2003). Major new initiatives during his tenure included Leadership Education at Duke Divinity, the Center for Reconciliation, the Duke Institute on Care at the End of Life, the Duke Youth Academy for Christian Formation, the Clergy Health Initiative, the Reynolds Program in Church Leadership and numerous international partnerships. Among the groups with which Greg and Duke Divinity partnered were universities in Germany and England as well as with the Methodist Church of Southern Africa, the United Methodist Church in Cote d’Ivoire and the Center for Reconciliation’s Great Lakes Initiative.

The author or editor of 16 books and more than 200 published articles, Greg is an editor-at-large for Christian Century magazine. He earned bachelors and master’s degrees at the University of Denver before attaining a divinity master’s degree and doctorate at Duke.