

## **The Rector, Rubén Hallú**

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Dr Rubén Hallú graduated as a veterinarian from the UBA in 1976. He was born in January 16<sup>th</sup>, 1951; elected Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Sciences of UBA in 2002 and reelected in 2006. He has been a member of the Superior Board of UBA since 2002 as well.

### **Teaching career.**

As a teacher, Dr Hallú has an extensive academic experience. He started as a Helper while he was still a student. He became a Tutor and was also an Associate Teacher and finally became permanent Professor of Pharmacology. His vast academic experience can be seen reflected on the variety of positions that he held at the UBA. These include, among others, Associate Teacher and Director of Basic Sciences at the Faculty of Veterinary Sciences of La Pampa University; ad-honorem Pharmacology teacher in the University of Rosario; member of the Commission of MA in Porcine Health and Reproduction of the Faculty of Veterinary Sciences and Agronomy of the University of Rio Cuarto and member of the Commission of the MA in Animal Health of the Faculty of Veterinary Sciences of UBA. He has published a vast number of research papers as well.

### **Positions in Administration**

Before becoming Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Sciences, Dr Hallú built a long career in university administration. He was Chief Counsellor representing the Teachers Senate, in the Faculty of Veterinary Sciences of both La Pampa University and UBA. He had previously been a member of the Superior Board at UBA representing the Graduates Senate.

In the Faculty where he studied, Dr. Hallú was the Secretary of Administrative Supervision. Afterwards, in 1994, he was elected Vice-dean, a position which he held until 2002 when he was named Dean of the same establishment. During his office, he was set on carrying out a transformation of the Faculty towards an institution that would be focused on investigation and provide graduates with a strong professional profile.

Another significant factor that characterized his office was the opening up of the Faculty towards the community. He established a policy that integrated all the entities that were connected to the profession; he incorporated several intermediate entities and the community in general to the administration through the creation of the Cultural Centre "Martin Fierro".

Dr Hallú was also the Head of the "Hospital Escuela"- training hospital. During his office he implemented 24 hour hospitalization of animals and high complexity practices. Besides, he has been a member both of the Regional North Buenos Aires Board of INTA and of the "Superior Board of "Instituto de Libre Enseñanza" (ILSE), and has also run the "Teaching Improvement Programme".

### **Scientific production**

Throughout his career, Dr Hallú, has presented scientific papers in 27 congresses, he has developed more than 50 research papers issued in national and international congresses and publications and in magazines.

Likewise, he has given numerous conferences in congresses, symposiums and post-graduate courses both in Argentina and abroad.

He was the head of subsidies at UBACYT from 1995 to 2002 and was in charge of the project "Improvements in teaching quality in the Faculty of Veterinary Sciences of UBA"

### **Dr. Hallú's statements**

Dr. Hallú is now the current Rector of the University of Buenos Aires. He has initiated with his management a new stage in UBA full of hope and strong personal convictions.

"Being the Rector of UBA is the greatest honour and the highest responsibility a University Teacher may have". "I assume this responsibility on behalf of a group of members of the university community aiming at restoring to UBA its prestige and giving it back the position that it deserves in society".

"I summon the whole of our society to have an active role in the growth of university, contributing better ideas and I commit myself to place UBA at the service of the country's development to build a fairer Nation."

