## Chairman's Message

The University of the West Indies, Mona Campus continues to strive for excellence despite the severe financial restrictions arising from the state of the economy and reduced government support.

However, crises also mean opportunities. I congratulate the Campus on its outstanding efforts to identify and capitalise on these opportunities. Under the leadership of Professor Gordon Shirley, I have seen the entire Mona team - academicians, management, administration and all the support staff - rise to the challenge to ensure that Mona, along with our sister campuses of the UWI, retain the position of premier tertiary educational institution in the region.

Among the important accomplishments observed during 2010/2011 were the significant expansion and improvements to the Campus' physical and technological infrastructure,

providing a more conducive working and learning environment; the overhauling of administrative processes to streamline operations; the introduction of new programmes and upgrading of existing ones, in direct response to the demands of our students and the market; and the list goes on.

I have no doubt that the going has been tough. Change is always hard. However, the foresight and tenacity of the management team in seeing to these difficult changes now will undoubtedly redound many-fold to the benefit of the University in the very near future.

Congratulations on tremendous progress in difficult times.

Marshall Hall, PhD, OJ Chairman, Campus Council

