

Laudatio für Ehrendoktor Prof. Charles P. Friedman, PhD

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The Department of Health Sciences and Medicine of the University of Lucerne hereby confers all the dignity, rights and privileges of an honorary doctorate degree in Health Sciences upon Prof. Charles Friedman, Chair of the Department of Learning Health Sciences at the University of Michigan.

His research has translated the abstract concept of a learning health system – which he has referred to as something magical - into an operational and functioning entity for the continuous integration of knowledge into health systems, policy, and practice. This does not only require the development of a suitable and sustainable digital infrastructure, which he has led in his role with the National Academy of Medicine in the United States, but making new evidence available in a machine-executable form to enable scalable learning systems. Prof. Friedman's work has inspired the development of the Swiss Learning Health System hosted at the University of Lucerne.

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