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Laurier president says 1982 graduates
best prepared to meet the real world

John A. Weir, installed Nov. 7 as president of Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, told the graduating class that not only did they have excellent academic credentials but possessed an unusually high degree of practical work experience.

"Approximately half of you are adult students and, of course, were working while attending Wilfrid Laurier University," he told the class of about 350 in various undergraduate and graduate programs. The ceremony was held at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium.

He added that universities, though, do more than prepare students to make a good start in the world.

"It is not our job to train you specifically in the skills required for a particular job but to create within you a critical ability and flexibility that will provide you with the means to cope with the unexpected in all facets of your life."

Dr. Weir, who succeeds Dr. Neale H. Tayler as president, was installed by the Hon. John B. Aird, chancellor of Wilfrid Laurier University and lieutenant-governor of Ontario.