Dr. Suzanne Shipley became the 11th president of Midwestern State University (MSU) in August 2015.

Dr. Shipley is a member of the Association of American Colleges and Universities’ (AAC&U) Presidents’ Trust, and is a long-standing supporter of the American Council on Education’s (ACE) Internationalization Collaborative. ACE provides a forum for faculty and administrators to share ideas and help each other in furthering their international agendas. Shipley is also a member of the Association of Governing Board’s (AGB) Council of Presidents.

Dr. Shipley came to Midwestern State from Shepherd University in Shepherdstown, WV, a fellow Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges (COPLAC) member. COPLAC, where Shipley currently serves as president, is a prestigious organization of 29 colleges and universities from the United States and Canada.

Dr. Shipley, a former Fulbright Scholar, has degrees in German from Texas Tech and the University of Texas. Her research into the lives of German-Jewish women emigrants, funded by a postdoctoral fellowship at Hebrew Union College, resulted in translations of several previously unpublished diaries from the Holocaust.

Dr. Shipley and her husband Randall Wadsworth live in Wichita Falls with their two dogs, enjoying the historic beauty of Sikes House on the south end of the MSU campus. They enjoy hiking and traveling.