Two-time Ohio State graduate Dr. Daniel Wampler studied food processing and worked with his advisor, the late Dr. Wilbur Gould, a pioneer in the processing and quality of Ohio’s main horticultural products. Dan worked alongside Dr. Gould at The Ohio State University’s food science pilot plant. After completing his Bachelor’s degree in Food Processing, Dan focused on Food Technology, earning a Ph.D. in 1983. Dan also earned an M.B.A. from Xavier University.

In 1999, after 15 years in the food products industry, Dan created Sensus, a Hamilton, Ohio based company that provides high quality natural flavor materials to the food and beverage industry. From the start, he worked closely with Ohio State’s Wilbur E. Gould Food Industries Center and with Ohio State researchers and scientists. Sensus became the premier natural products extraction company serving the industry. Sensus was sold in 2011 to Synergy Flavors, and Dan continues to serve in a leadership role. Since 2011, Dan has been helping companies commercialize health and wellness ingredients for the food industry.

Dan has served in numerous volunteer capacities for the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences including chair of the Vice President’s Development Board and the search committee for the new chair in Food Science & Technology. He currently serves on the advisory boards of both Ohio State’s Food Innovation Center and Food Industries Center, and is the co-chair of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences campaign committee. Dan also served as the co-chair for the building of the new Food Science and Technology building during the Affirm Thy Friendship campaign. Dan will be awarded the University’s Distinguished Service Award in 2013.

Dan and his wife, Lisa, a 1982 graduate of the College of Education, have established the Daniel and Lisa Wampler Vice President’s Excellence Fund Endowment and the Lisa and Dan Wampler Fellowship for Foods and Health Research in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences. They reside in Mason, Ohio, and have three children, including two daughters who graduated with honors from Ohio State.