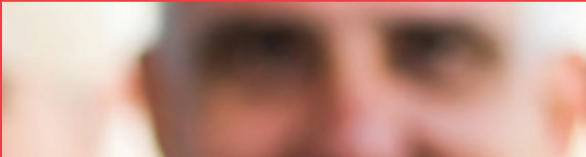





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The Aspen Presidential Fellowship identifies and empowers a network of exceptional leaders capable of enacting transformational change throughout the nation's community colleges. This second cohort of aspiring and recently appointed presidents offers an inspiring answer to the urgent question: how can more community colleges deliver the talent that students and communities need?



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THE ASPEN PRESIDENTIAL FELLOWSHIP CENTERS ON THREE BROAD THEMES:

LEADING FOR IMPACT

Defining and assessing student success in four key domains: Learning, completion, labor market, and equitable outcomes.

LEADING TRANSFORMATIONAL CHANGE Re-envisioning the institutional culture and core practices to deeply and sustainably improve student success.

PARTNERING FOR COLLECTIVE ACTION Designing new structures with external partners—including K-12 schools, universities, community-based organizations, and employers—to improve student success.

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PROGRAM GOAL

50%

OF FELLOWS BECOME TRANSFORMATIONAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESIDENTS WITHIN 3 YEARS

COST

INVESTMENTS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HAVE AN ESTIMATED COST OF

\$5 FOR EVERY STUDENT SERVED IN A SINGLE YEAR

PROJECTED IMPACT PER COHORT

280,000

STUDENTS SERVED ANNUALLY AT INSTITUTIONS WHERE FELLOWS BECOME PRESIDENTS

“Thinking about student success by including learning, completion, labor market, and equitable outcomes as equal parts in measuring the whole of success has challenged and enlightened me. My new definition of student success is one that focuses on the goal of making the middle class possible for our students.”

— DR. MICHAEL A. BASTON, Vice President for Student Affairs and Associate Provost, LaGuardia Community College, NY, 2016–2017 Aspen Presidential Fellow

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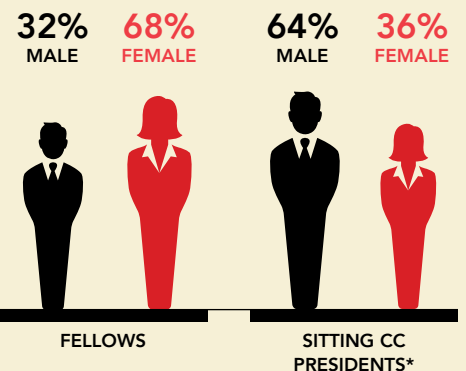
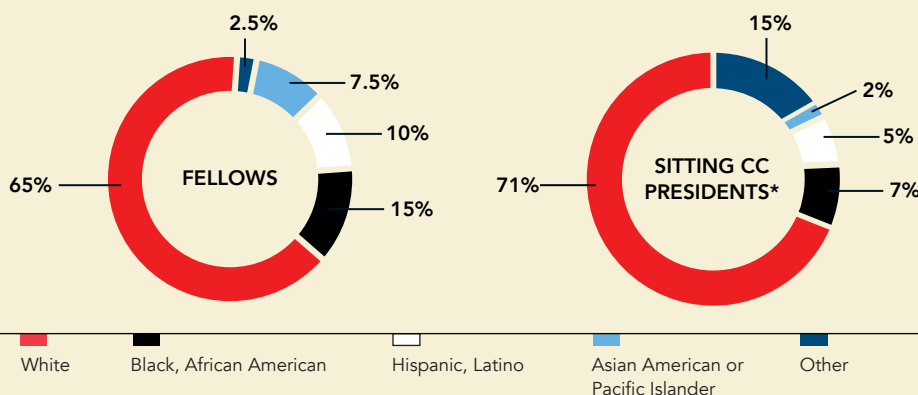
DR. VICKY WOOD

Current: Marion Technical College, Marion, OH
July 1: Washington State Community College, Marietta, OH

DR. REBEKAH WOODS


Jackson College, Jackson, MI

FELLOWS VS. SITTING COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESIDENTS



* <http://www.aacc.nche.edu/AboutCC/Trends/Documents/CEOCCompensationResearchBrief.pdf>

* http://www.aacc.nche.edu/Publications/datapoints/Documents/LeadershipGap_11%2012%2014.pdf



Nationwide, community colleges are being called upon to dramatically improve student outcomes while maintaining the longstanding commitment to open access and low costs. While the sector is benefitting from strong momentum for reform, community colleges also face dramatic turnover in leadership. Over the next decade, more than 80 percent of presidents are projected to retire, creating an opportunity to develop leaders with the tools and vision needed to lead transformational change aligned to student goals and community needs. The Aspen Presidential Fellowship aims to respond by recruiting and developing exceptional leaders—a cadre of diverse, student-success focused reformers who collectively can push the field forward.

FUNDING THE VISION The potential impact of the Fellowship to improve student outcomes is immense. With the average community college enrolling about 14,000 students, each fellow who becomes a president has an opportunity to improve outcomes for hundreds of thousands of students over their career. Assuming half of all fellows become presidents within three years of completing the program, each cohort can improve outcomes for 280,000 students annually, and the direct cost-per-student impact is estimated at \$5. Interested in supporting the work or partnering on this effort? Email: cep.info@aspeninstitute.org.

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