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No Longer 'Waiting to Exhale': Overcoming Impostor Syndrome and Battle Fatigue



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Dr. Rashanda Booker was appointed as the University of Mississippi Medical Center's inaugural director of institutional equity and partnerships in April 2018. In her role as a director of institutional equity and partnerships, Booker's responsibilities include collaborating with institutional leaders by playing a lead role in carrying out the institution's commitment to diversity and inclusion, and establishing strong partnerships with public and private higher education institutions, especially HBCUs and other minority-serving institutions. Her extensive experience as a higher education practitioner, and an individual with deep understanding of the importance of diversity and equity will help advance the institution's mission by utilizing her creativity, attention to detail, relationship building, and proven track record as an effective leader.

Prior to joining the University of Mississippi Medical Center, Dr. Booker was the assistant dean of the college at the number one liberal arts college in the nation, Williams College. During her time in the dean's office at Williams College, Dr. Booker became well-known for her advocacy and diverse programmatic efforts across campus. In response to critical incidents (sexual assault/harassment, bias), she worked in collaboration with Campus Safety, the Davis Center (diversity center), Office of Student Life, and with the Director of Sexual Assault and Prevention to support all parties associated with a case to identify an appropriate outcome.

The 2017 NASPA Women in Student Affairs – Phenomenal Woman received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Southeastern Louisiana University, and her doctorate in Educational Leadership, Research, and Counseling from Louisiana State University.

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12:00 pm – 1:00 pm | Classroom Wing (CW-106)

Lunch served on a first come, first served basis

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