

FALECIA D. WILLIAMS, ED.D. BIO

Dr. Falecia D. Williams is the ninth president of Prince George's Community College. A proven transformational servant leader, she values learning as much as leading and understands the power of inspiring others to invest in their own positive outcomes.

Dr. Williams served for nearly 22 years at Valencia College in Orlando, Florida, holding a series of progressively responsible positions, including president of the Downtown and West campuses. In this role, she was responsible for providing academic, administrative, and fiscal leadership to support the vision, mission, and values of Valencia College, and her data-driven results demonstrate her ability to achieve lasting, remarkable outcomes through effective leadership and partnership building.

A few highlights include: the disruptive design, development, and launch of a new educational ecosystem model for a joint campus in partnership with the University of Central Florida; implementation of a comprehensive \$1.5 million Title III Pathways project to revamp student services and increase faculty engagement in coaching students for success; launch and management of a summer bridge program that resulted in a 97 percent course success rate and 87 percent retention rate compared to 80 percent course success rate and 76 percent retention when students engaged in traditional enrollment; and fundraising efforts totaling more than \$30 million over five years.

During her tenure at Valencia College, she also served as interim provost for West Campus, assistant vice president for Workforce Development, dean for Workforce Development, and professor.

Dr. Williams is active in numerous professional, business, and civic endeavors, and board service including: Visit Orlando; Central Florida Regional Housing Trust; Coalition for the Homeless; Lifework Leadership Orlando; Parramore Comprehensive Neighborhood Plan Development Team; Florida High Tech Corridor Workforce Development Team; Florida Department of Education Next Generation Curriculum Standards Committee and Subcommittee for Postsecondary Transition; the American Council on Education Postsecondary Transition Committee; and the Florida Association of Community Colleges.

Dr. Williams has received an extensive collection of honors and awards that include: Orlando Business Journal Top Five Leaders for Economic Development; Orlando Magazine, Top 15 People to Watch; Orlando Magazine, 50 Most Powerful; Central Florida YMCA Achievers Education Advocate of the Year; and Leadership Award, American Association of Women in Community Colleges.

Dr. Williams holds a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Rollins College, FL; a Master of Arts in Education, Teaching, and Learning from Stetson University, FL; and a Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from University of Central Florida, FL.

She also holds professional certifications from Stanford University as a Design Thinking Professional, and from Harvard University's Institute for Educational Management (IEM). Dr. Williams completed an Aspen Presidential Fellowship at the Aspen Institute's College Excellence Program.