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**INTRODUCING**

**DR. JASMINE LEE**

2024 OPENING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

This keynote address will be live-streamed.

Dr. Jasmine A. Lee is a diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice scholar, practitioner, trainer, and coach. She is Vice President of Equity and Inclusive Excellence at Croucher College in Baltimore, MD. In this capacity, she works with students, staff, and faculty to create inclusive campus environments through direct programming and strategic Divisional leadership. Dr. Lee’s background encompasses campus climate studies and crisis response, inclusive hiring and supervision best practices, teaching and inclusive classroom pedagogy, diversity action planning and equity assessments, strategic student success outreach and academic advising, and traditional diversity and inclusion programming. Read Dr. Lee’s full biography here.

Beyond a 15-year career in higher education, Dr. Lee also works with K-12 institutions, non-profit organizations, and faith-based communities to provide training, consulting, coaching, and organizational change services, partnering with clients to curate unique, engaging solutions that lead to sustainable, measurable change. Dr. Lee is a qualified administrator of the Intercultural Development Inventory® (IDI), a certified diversity trainer with the National Coalition Building Institute, a Restorative Practices trainer, and a certified Mental Health First Aid instructor, and uses these skills to ensure human dignity, love, truth, honesty, and empathy are a part of all approaches to organizational change.

As a social worker, Dr. Lee holds a BSW from Eastern Michigan University and an MSW from the University of Michigan. She earned her Ph.D. at Michigan State University, using Critical Race Theory as a framework to study the experiences of Black, first-generation, low-income college students pursuing degrees at a Predominantly White Institution. She is a published author focused on academic advising for students of color, Intergroup dialogue, and social justice education, with forthcoming work on radical love in the academy and cultivating belonging in first-year seminars.

Dr. Lee is a human who loves cartoons, traveling, laughing at corny jokes, hanging out with her puppy, and spending time with family and friends. She is an active member of many organizations, including NACADA – National Association for Academic Advising, ACPA – Student College Educators, International, and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. More than anything, Dr. Lee wants people to know that she believes in the world-changing and redeeming power of radical revolutionary love and asks you to consider the words of Valerie Kaur: “Revolutionary love is the choice to enter into wonder and labor for others, our opponents, and for ourselves in order to transform the world around us.”

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**INTRODUCING**

**DR. DANA WINTERS**

2024 CLOSING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dana Winters, Ph.D., is the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs at Saint Vincent College, where she is also faculty in the School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. Before turning toward academic administration, Dr. Winters served as the Rita McGinley Executive Director and Faculty Chair of the Fred Rogers Institute, where she extended the legacy of Fred Rogers through research, program development, and worldwide speaking engagements for professionals across early education and intervention, out of school time learning, healthcare, family engagement, and more. Dr. Winters continues her research as a UNESCO Faculty Fellow in Children and Youth Studies, collaborating with faculty around the world in the advancement of empathy development and relationships across educational settings. She received her Ph.D. in administrative and policy studies from the University of Pittsburgh.