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Dr. Ryan Ross

Assoc. V. Chancellor Student Affairs, Equity, & Inclusion Colorado Community College System

An educator, speaker, and actualization coach, Dr. Ross is committed to access, equity, and the development of leaders. After fourteen years of educational work. Ross

transitioned from executive leadership at the Community College of Denver to become Regional Manager for Mobilization for the American Petroleum Institute. There, he is focused on STEM awareness in students and building workforce opportunities in the energy industry for women, minorities, and veterans.



Dr. Clinton Purtell

Professor, Department of Management University of North Texas at Frisco

Dr. Purtell's research interests lie in corporate entrepreneurship and early stage venture strategy, as well as start-up supply chain strategies. He has extensive

industry experience in aerospace, including fleet transactions, strategic sourcing, MRO, supply chain management, and corporate development. He has held Director-level roles in a number of Fortune 500 firms across other industries including consumer goods, medical devices, restaurants and manufacturing.



Dr. Michael Clement

Department Chair, Accounting University of Texas, Austin

The KPMG Centennial Professor of Accounting at University of Texas—Austin, Dr. Clement's research and teaching interests include financial accounting and capital markets.

His research explores a topic that ultimately affects all Americans: the activities of the analysts whose earnings and stock market predictions often drive Wall Street. Michael was instrumental in the creation of the PhD Project, supporting underrepresented populations in doctoral programs.



Dr. Aaron Cortes Minor

Director of STEM initiatives

Northeastern Illinois University

Dr. Cortes Minor is the director of STEM Initiatives and TRIO Education Opportunity Program. The TRIO Upward Bound Math and Science program is designed to strengthen

the math and science skills of participating students. The goal of the program is to help students recognize and develop their potential to excel in math and science and to encourage them to pursue postsecondary degrees in math and science, and ultimately careers in the math and science profession.



Leanne D. Wheeler

Principal, Wheeler Advisory Group

Ms. Wheeler brokers collaborative initiatives with the Department of Defense, defense contractors, nonprofit organizations, and local government, to solve real-world problems. Before launching her small business, Leanne

served in leadership roles with Raytheon Company for fifteen years. She was certified as a Six Sigma Black Belt while in tenure at Raytheon. Prior to Raytheon, she was an independent defense contractor, supporting work for various classified customers with Lockheed Martin, GTE Government Systems and PRC, Inc.



Dr. Joseph Gladstone

Business Management Professor, University of New Haven

Dr. Gladstone is a business management scholar focused on management education for Indigenous communities. Joseph's work extends across organization behavior,

business and society, and management ethics. His goal is an improved understanding of how successful commercial enterprises in Indian Country contribute to mitigating grand challenges in these communities. His management education focuses on teaching ethical organization management to minority students.