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DR. LASHANDA JORDAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CAREER CENTER
JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

Dr. Lashanda Jordan is the Executive Director of the Career and Student Services Center at Jackson State University. In this role she serves as the primary liaison between the university, its students and alumni, and employers on a state, regional, national scale. She is responsible for fiscal planning and management for the Career Services Center, the AVH Center Service and the Veteran and Military Student Support Center, including all operations and staffing matters. She also serves as adviser and interface with representatives of industrial, governmental, and educational employers to assist in the most effective use of career services' efforts. Dr. Jordan has conducted numerous presentations on job search development skills, resume writing and proper business and dining etiquette. She is certified by the Etiquette Institute (St. Louis, MO) to teach business and social etiquette. She has also served on numerous campus wide boards and committees.

Dr. Jordan is a member of the National Association of Colleges and Employers, Southern Association of Colleges and Employers and the Mississippi Association of Colleges and Employers where she served as the 4 Year College Director, and Vice-President and President of the organization. Dr. Jordan was named to the Jackson Workforce Development Leadership Academy for the 2019-2020 year.

Prior to her current employment, Dr. Jordan was employed by Millsaps College, as the Assistant Director of the Career Center, at Auburn University as an Academic Advisor and Georgia Tech as a Residence Life Coordinator. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Mississippi University for Women, a Master of Science Degree from Mississippi State University and a doctorate in Educational Leadership with a concentration in Higher Education from Jackson State University.

DR. TATIANA GLUSHKO, COORDINATOR OF RICHARD WRIGHT CENTER
JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

Dr. Tatiana Glushko coordinates services within the Richard Wright Center (RWC), trains graduate and undergraduate peer tutors, facilitates writing workshops, and offers one-on-one writing consultations to faculty, staff, and students. She enjoys working with graduate students on dissertation writing and seeing their growth as scholars and writers.

DR. ARRON RICHARDSON, DIRECTOR OF ACCESSIBLE EDUCATION & RESOURCE CENTER
JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

Dr. Arron L. Richardson directs the Accessible Education and Resource Center (AERC) at Jackson State University and serves as Chief Consultant for Richardson Education Group. In his role at Jackson State University, he leads initiatives that ensure scholars with disabilities receive the accommodations, resources, and institutional support necessary to succeed academically and graduate prepared for their careers. A proud product of Mississippi's higher education system, Dr. Richardson began his academic journey at Jones College before earning degrees from The University of Southern Mississippi and Jackson State University, where he is a two-time graduate. His work focuses on developing proactive strategies that remove barriers to education, strengthen institutional compliance, and promote inclusive learning environments across campus. Dr. Richardson actively contributes to disability access and inclusive education efforts across the state. He serves on the City of Jackson ADA Council, the Mississippi Transition Task Force, and the Mississippi Alliance for Inclusive Postsecondary Education. On campus, he advises Special Olympics Mississippi at JSU, serves on multiple university committees, and teaches as a course instructor. He is also a founding team member of Generation Hope FamilyU at Jackson State University, where he supports parenting scholars and works to expand access to higher education for student parents. Dr. Richardson's leadership and service have earned statewide recognition. He is an inaugural honoree of Jackson State University's Top 40 Under 40 and Mississippi's Top 50 Under Fifty: Urban Elite Professionals. In addition to his professional work, he is a committed philanthropist dedicated to advancing educational equity and expanding opportunities for students from underserved communities.

MS. KIMBERLY ALCORN, DIRECTOR OF VETERANS & MILITARY STUDENTS SUPPORT CENTER JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

Ms. Kimberly Alcorn is the Director of the Veteran and Military Students Support Center at Jackson State University, where she is dedicated to supporting military-connected students in achieving their academic and professional goals. As a veteran of the U.S. Army and two combat deployments in Operation Iraqi Freedom, she brings firsthand understanding of the transition from military service to higher education. Ms. Alcorn is deeply passionate about serving those who have served and takes pride in assisting students at the same institution from which she graduated, earning a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education in 2009. She also holds a master's degree in Elementary Education with a concentration in Curriculum and Instruction.

In addition to her work at the university, Ms. Alcorn serves as a Board Member of the Veteran Affairs Administrators of Mississippi, where she holds the position of 4-Year Institutional Representative. VAAMS is a professional organization that supports Schools Certifying Officials across the state of Mississippi by providing guidance, collaboration, and training on the evolving policies and requirements of the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs and the United States Department of Defense related to veterans' education benefits. In this role, Ms. Alcorn supports professional development by helping coordinate training opportunities for School Certifying Officials across the state.

Through her work, Ms. Alcorn strives to create supportive pathways for military and veteran students to successfully transition into and thrive within the university environment. In her spare time, she enjoys watching television shows, traveling, learning new skills, and spending quality time with friends and family.

MS. SERITA WASHINGTON, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF LATASHA NORMAN CENTER JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

Mrs. Serita Washington is a proud native of Jackson, Mississippi. She has an expansive background in mental health, social work, education and tourism. She is a proud alumna of Jackson State University, pursuing her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Social Work and Community Counseling. She is currently working on her Doctoral degree in Urban and Regional Planning at JSU. During her matriculation at JSU, Mrs. Washington was inducted as an Academic Dean's List Scholar and she was also inducted into the International and Professional Academic Honors Society for counseling students, Chi Sigma Iota. Mrs. Washington currently serves as a mental health counselor and assistant director at the Latasha Norman Center for Counseling Services at Jackson State University. Mrs. Washington's passion for mental health and wellness along with her love for student interaction inspired her to provide services in the Latasha Norman Center. She has been blessed and anointed to guide students throughout their self-building journey and watch them blossom into beautiful flowers here at the University. She is a devoted wife, daughter, friend and employee. Mrs. Washington reaffirms the belief that "the future generation will judge us not by what we say, but by what we do!"