

Dr. Tamekia Smith comes to us from Moraine Valley Community College as the Assistant Dean of Career Programs. Helping to oversee a diverse portfolio of programs in Health Sciences, Public Service, Mechanical Technology, and Nursing.

Dr. Smith is committed to enhancing learning experiences by integrating cutting-edge technology, fostering collaborative learning environments, and developing curriculum that meets the demands of an evolving workforce. She is invested in creating equitable educational opportunities that empower students to excel both academically and professionally.

A passionate advocate for diversity, equity, and inclusion, Dr. Smith promotes policies and practices that eliminate systemic barriers, foster a sense of belonging, and support a diverse community of learners. She recently published her debut work in the thought-provoking book *How To Build A Bridge and Get Over It*, featuring stories of resilience and transformation. She is dedicated to improving education through transparent leadership, strategic resource management, and innovative approaches to academic and student success.

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