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Teresa E. Simpson is the Director of Lamar University's Career & Testing Services. The Department is a part of the Division of Student Engagement and consists of the following areas: Career Services, Testing Services and the On-Student Employment Center. In addition to her role as Director, she serves as the Divisions' SACS Co-Accreditation Officer. She has been an Education Professional for 14 years and has served Student Affairs for 9 years. She received her Bachelor's of Science as a double major in History and Literature and completed her Secondary Education Teacher's Certification from the University of Houston - Clear Lake. Her Masters of Educational Leadership was obtained at Lamar University. She is a current Doctoral student at Lamar University studying Educational Leadership with a concentration in Higher Education Administration. Her working dissertation topic is: The alignment between student affairs' related learning outcomes for employment and employer perceptions of preparation. In 2010 Mrs. Simpson was appointed by the President of Lamar University to serve as the Institutional Representative for Texas Women in Higher Education in 2011. She was a 2013 K. Patricia Cross Future Leader Award Nominee through the American Association of College and Universities; Dr. Jimmy Simmons, President of Lamar University, made her nomination. Mrs. Simpson currently serves as the 2013 President –Elect for SHRM (Southeast Texas Human Resource Association), she served as the 2006-2007 President of the Houston Area Consortium of Career Centers and has held various chair positions with both Regional and National Associations. Most currently, she serves as a committee member of the Texas Association of College and University Student Personnel as Committee Member for the Graduate Research Committee and an Editorial Board Member for the TACUSPA Journal to be published for the first time next spring. In addition, she has served on the Principals for Professional Practices Committee for the National Association of Colleges and Employers as well as Board Director for Professional Development for the Southern Association of Colleges and Employers. She held the Chairman position for Employer Insights, the first for the Association. She is the Advisor for the Rotaract Club of Lamar University (Young Professional Rotarians 18 -30 yrs of age) as well as the Rotaract Chair for both the Rotary District 5910 (2006-2011) and a 2009-2011 Board Member for the Rotary Club of Beaumont. She is a member of the Beaumont Public Schools Foundation Board.. She is also active in the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce through Leadership Beaumont and was a member of the City of Beaumont's Community Advancement Committee. In addition, Mrs. Simpson has been a part of the new initiative, Young Professionals Organization, through the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce by launching Cardinal Connect Fall 2010. This program connects Beaumont Businesses with Lamar University through Experiential Learning Opportunities. She supports various organizations and programs by volunteering as a Speaker and/or mentor.