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Biographical Note

Teresa E. Simpson is the current Interim Director of Lamar University's department of student development and leadership and coordinator for GREEK Life. She over sees multicultural programming, Order of Omega, Cardinal Parent Programing, Freshman Year Experience, Week of Welcome, Freshman Leadership Programming, Kemble, Shaw and Gentry Scholarships, Advisor to the Student Government Association, Student Greek Counsel, Multicultural Student Counsel. She serves on the Institutional Diversity Committee and oversees Student Engagement Special Programming. She is the current Director for Career & Testing Services. The Department is a part of the Division of Strategic Enrollment Management 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 In 2010 Dr. Simpson was appointed by the President of Lamar University to serve as the Institutional Representative and as of July 2013 Board Members 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. She is the 2013 recipient of the Julie and Ben Rogers Service Award,

Lamar University's highest honor to a faculty or staff member in support of their service to Lamar University and its community. Dr. 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. 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, Dr. 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.