

Glendale Community College District Superintendent/President Finalists 2022







Dr. Anthony Culpepper



Dr. David Doré



Dr. Cynthia Olivo



Dr. Michael Ritterbrown

Dr. Ryan Cornner has served since 2016 as Vice Chancellor for Educational Programs and Institutional Effectiveness for the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) and has served in administrative roles in the community college system for more than a decade. In his current role, Dr. Cornner serves as the chief academic and student services officer for the District, and also oversees functions related to research, planning, and accreditation. Through his work, he has led collaborative efforts, overseeing all components of day-to-day operations, supporting innovation, and building partnerships to serve the community.

His prior experiences include serving as Associate Vice President for Strategic Planning and Innovation at Pasadena City College (PCC), and Dean of Institutional Effectiveness at East Los Angeles College (ELAC). Dr. Cornner has twelve years of teaching experience within the community college and the university systems, including providing instruction in the Master of Higher Education Counseling Program at University of Southern California (USC).

Dr. Cornner earned a Doctor of Education and Master of Social Work from USC and a Bachelor of Science, Psychology from the University of California, San Diego.

Dr. Anthony Culpepper has served as Executive Vice President of Glendale Community College (GCC) since 2016. He has over 32 years of executive and management experience; of which 24 of those years he served in progressive academic roles in higher education; such as adjunct, mid-tenure and full professor and as a Dean and Vice Provost. Also, he served in various progressive administrative roles that include Controller, Vice President, Executive Vice President (COO), President (CEO). These positions were within public and private institutions of higher education, foundations, and corporations. He serves as President of Boards of non-profit organizations that serve various local community housing projects, and secure financing for K-12 and community colleges. The responsibilities of these positions include strategic planning, strategic enrollment, and financing and budgeting.

Dr. Culpepper oversees, manages, coordinates, and implements operating budgets exceeding \$100 million and multiple building projects exceeding \$325 million. He holds three finance and accounting certifications as a CPA, CMA, and CFM. He has chaired budget committees and served as Chief Negotiator.

Dr. Culpepper's educational preparation includes 37 units taken at Los Angeles Southwest College, an AA (Long Beach City College), BS (CSU Dominguez Hills), MBA and Ed.D in Organizational Leadership (Pepperdine University), and JD (December 2022) (University of West Los Angeles School of Law).



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Dr. David Doré has served as President at Pima Community College District (PCC) in Arizona since 2014 and currently serves as President of Campuses and Executive Vice Chancellor. Dr. Doré leads the five campuses of the district and is responsible for partnerships to support workforce and economic development. At PCC, Dr. Doré leads the development of six Centers of Excellence that are community hubs of lifelong learning preparing students and workers for success in the new economy. Previously, Dr. Doré served as Dean of CTE with the Maricopa Community College District in Arizona and Dean of the School of Business and Dean of the Downtown Campus at City College of San Francisco (CCSF). At CCSF, Dr. Doré also served as a tenured faculty member for 15 years where he was the elected Chair of the Business Department for six years and elected member of the Executive Council of the Academic Senate.

Dr. Doré was a first-generation college student who earned a doctorate from Pepperdine University, a Master of Business Administration from Georgetown University, a Master of Education from Boston College, as well as degrees from Santa Clara University and Gonzaga University. He completed his BA from Gannon University in Erie, PA. Dr. Doré was a 2017-18 Presidential Fellow of the Aspen Institute.

Dr. Cynthia Olivo has been a professional in higher education since 1995. For 27 years she has served in capacities including Associate Director, Dean, Associate Vice President and Vice President. This is her 21st year as an administrator including seven years at the university level and fourteen years in community college. Dr. Olivo presently serves as the Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of Student Services at Pasadena City College (PCC).

Dr. Olivo has served as President of the Chief Student Services Officer Association in 2019-2020, President of the statewide COLEGAS—California Community College Organizacion de Latinx Guidance, Empowerment & Advocacy for Success. She is a founding member of The Coalition, an organization including A2MEND and APAHE. Dr. Olivo also serves on the Jobs for the Future Policy & Leadership Trust in Washington D.C. and serves on the Executive Board for National Community College Hispanic Council.

Dr. Olivo's educational background includes a BA in Psychology and a Master of Science in Counseling from California State University San Bernardino, a Ph.D. in Education with an emphasis in Urban Leadership from Claremont Graduate University in 2008.

Dr. Olivo was selected for the Aspen Presidential Fellows Program Class of 2017, completed the Harvard Institute for Management & Leadership in Education and the American Council on Education Advancing to the Presidency.

Dr. Michael Ritterbrown has been a member of the GCC community for 23 years. Starting as an adjunct English instructor in 1998, he was soon hired as a full-time instructor in 1999, served on the Academic Senate, was elected Chair of English in 2005, and hired as Dean of Instructional Services in 2012. In 2015, Dr. Ritterbrown was selected to serve as Vice President of Instructional Services. In addition to his instructional services experience, Dr. Ritterbrown has extensive experience with budgeting and infrastructure, having served on GCC's budget committee for seven years and overseen budgets for divisions, grants, and most recently the college's annual instructional budget. Over the past several years, he has worked closely with instructional divisions, architects, and GCC Facilities to plan the construction of a new science building, a new facility for music, dance, media arts, and recording, and a new conference center.

Dr. Ritterbrown holds an MFA in Writing from Warren Wilson College and an Ed.D in Community College Leadership from California State University Northridge, where he graduated with honors. His studies focused on theories of change management and organizational structure, educational law and policy, budget planning, and student success through high-impact instructional practice.