

Elizabeth Montgomery

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Forward thinking Academic Executive with over 15 years of experience leading mid sized higher education institutions. Proven track record in securing \$50M plus in research grants and increasing student retention by 22 percent through curriculum innovation. Expert in navigating complex accreditation processes and building high performing faculty teams committed to student success.

WORK EXPERIENCE

President | Massachusetts Northshore College | Salem, MA

Jun 2018 - Present

- Spearheaded a \$120M capital campaign that exceeded its target by 15 percent within three years.
- Reorganized the campus administrative structure to reduce overhead costs by \$4.5M annually.
- Launched four new degree programs in high demand STEM fields increasing enrollment by 25 percent.
- Managed a diverse workforce of 450 faculty and staff members during a complete campus renovation.
- Maintained 100 percent compliance with all state and federal reporting requirements and safety protocols.

Regional Director / Head of School | Greater Valley Vocational Institute | Springfield, MA

Aug 2012 - May 2018

- Negotiated 12 new partnerships with local Fortune 500 companies to provide student internships.
- Improved student retention rates from 68 percent to 84 percent through the implementation of a peer mentoring program.
- Directed a \$35M facility expansion project including the construction of a new state of the art laboratory.
- Overhauled the nursing curriculum to align with updated national standards resulting in a 95 percent NCLEX pass rate.

Dean of Academic Affairs | New England University | Boston, MA

Sep 2007 - Jul 2012

- Coordinated the successful 10 year NECHE reaccreditation process for the entire university.
- Managed a departmental budget of \$12M while consistently staying 5 percent under projected spend.
- Developed and implemented faculty development workshops that increased research publication output by 20 percent.
- Led a task force to integrate hybrid learning models which expanded adult education reach by 35 percent.

EDUCATION

Harvard Graduate School of Education | Doctor of Education | Higher Education Leadership

Sep 2003 - May 2007

Boston College | Master of Arts | Educational Administration

Sep 2001 - May 2003

SKILLS

Strategic Planning, Budget Management, Board Relations, Crisis Management, Fundraising & Philanthropy, Accreditation Standards, Curriculum Development, Faculty Governance, Title IX Compliance, Academic Research Oversight

CERTIFICATIONS

Higher Education Management Certificate | UCLA Extension (2010)
Advanced Leadership Program | The Wharton School (2015)

LANGUAGES

English (Native)
French (Fluent / C1)

ACTIVITIES

The American Council on Education (ACE)

Active member contributing to national policy discussions on student accessibility and college affordability.

Annual Higher Ed Innovations Conference

Regular guest speaker on the topic of fiscal sustainability in public vocational education.