Dr. Faimous Harrison

Dr. Faimous Harrison has thirty-two years of diverse experience working in public shared governance higher education institutions in faculty, student affairs, and management roles. He led a comprehensive minority-serving and Hispanic-serving campus successfully through COVID-19 and has almost twelve years of experience as a campus executive in Washington and California. In a variety of local, regional, national, and international roles, Dr. Harrison has been committed to providing seamless pathways for high-quality access to education, certificates, credentials, and degrees locally with minimal disruption to students' personal lives. Dr. Harrison has over twenty years of experience representing the Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, including earning technology and teaching online certificates and becoming a certified Washington State distance education instructor. He was an instructor and student service professional at South Seattle Community, Duwamish Technical, and Edmonds Community College and has led or supported the development of high-quality short-term certificate programs, 2+2 guarantee guided pathways, transfer back, running start, college in the high school, dual admission and enrollment, stackable credential, degree completion, and industry-focused workforce and training programs. A passionate student-teacher-scholar, Dr. Harrison believes in the "Village" or community-centered approach to ensure the success of students, families, workforce, and economic development, and building healthy community ecosystems. Dr. Harrison has a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration and Leadership from Oregon State University, an MS in Physical Education, Pedagogy, and Leadership from Seattle Pacific University, and a BS in Sociology from the University of Washington. He and his wife have four adult children.