## **DR. STACY THOMPSON**

Dr. Stacy Thompson is a lifelong resident of the Oakland/East Bay community with more than 25 years of experience in higher education. As an educator, Dr. Thompson has dedicated her life's work to supporting education as a practice of freedom with a focus on addressing issues of disenfranchisement and exclusion. She supports community college student success in instruction and support services by creating innovative programs and strategically aligning resources. Dr. Thompson mentors faculty, staff and administrators who wish to advance their careers and has a long history of promoting a social justice agenda.



Dr. Thompson started her career in higher education teaching Early Childhood Development in 1993. She began as a tenured faculty member in Child Development in 1999 at Merritt College in Oakland, CA. After 10 years in the classroom, she became the Dean of Academic Pathways and Student Success at Merritt College and served in that position for over six years. Currently, Dr. Thompson serves as the Vice President of Academic Services at Chabot College in Hayward, CA. providing overall vision, leadership, planning, and direction for the instructional programs. She is responsible for collaborating with Student Services to create an integrated, student-centered environment. As the Vice President of Academic Services, she is also responsible for the operation, organization, staffing, and evaluation of the instructional programs of the college. She oversees the Library and Learning resources services; technology planning and support and assists with planning and budgeting to provide instructional programs and activities that serve the needs of the college community and that meet College and Districtmission and goals.

Dr. Thompson also serves as the Accreditation Liaison Officer, coordinates enrollment management activities that have led to a dramatic increase in enrollment and the visibility of the college in the community. She has provided leadership in developing career pathways and dual enrollment agreements with local high schools. As Accreditation Liaison Officer, she led the college to achieving reaffirmation during the most recent ACCJC visit. Dr. Thompson provides leadership in the development of curriculum and programs in accordance with college goals to meet the needs of the diverse student population it serves.

Dr. Thompson has consistently and successfully collaborated with senior leadership, administrators, faculty and classified professionals to implement community college initiatives designed to increase student success including Math Jam, Adelante, Emergent Teacher Program, Maximum Achievement Program, Kids College, STEM Awareness Day, RISE (for formerly incarcerated) and a variety of innovative off-site courses. She has been instrumental in the attainment of key funding from county, state and federal sources to support student success.

Understanding the vital role community plays in the life of the community college, Dr. Thompson serves as a board member of the Western Region Council on Black American Affairs, chair of the Alameda County Commission on the Status of Women (mission is to increase parity for women and girls in housing, employment and education), and is a member of the Hayward Rotary.

Stacy Thompson holds a Doctorate of Education in Educational Leadership from Mills College in Oakland, CA. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from Lewis and Clark College in Portland, OR and a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education from Mills College.