



Alicia B. Harvey-Smith, Ph.D.
President, Pittsburgh Technical College

Alicia B. Harvey-Smith, Ph.D., was appointed President of Pittsburgh Technical College (PTC) in Oakdale, effective July 1, 2019. In her role, Dr. Harvey-Smith will partner with the Board of Trustees and campus community to create a common vision for the future of the college. She will be responsible for setting and executing the strategic direction of all aspects of PTC, including academics, student life, as well as faculty, staff and student diversity. Anticipating future workforce needs, Dr. Harvey-Smith will lead the institution in developing new educational programs that are responsive to regional and global needs and position PTC graduates as career-ready in their chosen fields.

Dr. Harvey-Smith is a senior-level professional in higher education with 30 years of successful experience. She is a scholar-practitioner committed to leadership excellence, institutional performance and student success. She has positively influenced the lives of countless students, faculty and administrators. Her experience in higher education is diverse, expansive and comprehensive.

Prior to joining PTC, Dr. Harvey-Smith served as Executive Vice Chancellor of Lone Star College in Houston, one of the largest college systems in the country. In that role, she served as the accreditation liaison, was directly responsible for functions related to both academic and student affairs and administered a broad range of operations supporting six college campuses, eight academic centers and two university centers serving 99,000 students annually.

Dr. Harvey-Smith is considered a thought leader in the learning-college and student-success movements. A learning-centered educator, she has extensive experience in leadership, instruction, training, development, consulting and planning and partnership development.

In the course of her career, Dr. Harvey-Smith has served in a variety of senior-level positions in higher education, including executive vice chancellor, dean and executive director and held a variety of senior-level administrative positions, including serving as President and CEO of River Valley Community College in New Hampshire and Vice President of Student Affairs at Baltimore City Community College.

In 2016, Dr. Harvey-Smith's presidential peers elected her to the American Association of Community Colleges' Board of Directors and subsequently appointed her to the organization's Executive Board to provide advocacy and guidance to more than 1100 higher education organizations and institutions. She also has served the academic community with roles as Co-chair of the Commission on Academic, Student and Community Development and as Chair of the Committee for Community College Advancement.

Dr. Harvey-Smith is an experienced speaker, researcher and author, publishing on several topics, her publications include: *Partnering for Success: How to Build Strong Internal Collaborations in Higher Education*; *The Seventh Learning College Principle: A Framework for Transformational Change*; *Partnering for Success: How to Build Strong*

Internal Collaborations in Higher Education; and *Eclectic Insights: A Composition of Poetry and Essays*. Her latest manuscript, *CARE – Compassion, Appreciation, Respect and Empowerment: Essential Leadership Standards*, is being finalized for future release.

Dr. Harvey-Smith earned a Ph.D. from the University of Maryland College Park, Master of Science in Education degree from The Johns Hopkins University, Bachelor of Science degree from Morgan State University and earned a Certificate of Completion from Harvard University's Graduate School of Education Seminars for Presidential Leadership.

An active mentor who loves to inspire people to reach beyond what they imagine, Dr. Harvey-Smith has been married for 35 years to Major Donald Wayne Smith, who is retired from the US Army and US Capitol Police.