

As a part of the Morgridge College of Education (MCE) community, you play a vital role in the ongoing work of creating positive change through access to learning. Whether as alumni or friends of the College, you understand the value of what happens within the walls of Katherine Ruffatto Hall; the impact however is far reaching.

Within the last year, Morgridge College has:

- Designed post-secondary educational programs for adults with Down Syndrome
- Developed online digital tools to help teach math skills to young children
- Provided physical education equipment, training, and curriculum to 35 underserved school districts
- And, created models to improve university principal preparation programs across the U.S.

As we gear up for the year ahead, we are excited to:

- Be part of a coalition that received a \$400,000 National Institute of Sciences Grant
- Welcome Kim Hunter Reed, PhD, Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Higher Education to the HED faculty
- Introduce national diversity leader, Mark Engberg, PhD, from the School of Education at Loyola University Chicago as the new MCE Associate Dean
- And, host the national Higher Education Public Policy Forum in the spring

Our faculty are leading national conversations on school leadership, addiction recovery, and rural education. Our students are serving the community through the College's counseling clinic, two on-campus model demonstration schools, as well as countless community schools and organizations. Our alumni are promoting diversity and social justice in leadership roles across the country and around the world.

As we look to the future, we do so with optimism, momentum, and the recognition that we do not embark upon the challenge alone. We need your support and want to share your efforts and impact as well. I invite you to partner with us by:

- Signing up for MCE news at morgridge.du.edu/Stay-Connected
- Sharing your own updates at morgridge.du.edu/Share-Your-Story

And, by supporting the Morgridge mission with an annual gift or a donation of your time and talents. I encourage you to engage with us by finding a alumni event near you. Whether it's a fun evening out for a sporting event or a professional development opportunity, there are several DU alumni events happening this year. We look forward to engaging with you in 2017-2018.

With warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen Riley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Karen" and the last name "Riley" clearly distinguishable.

Karen Riley PhD '98
Dean, Morgridge College of Education

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