

**Dr. Sharon Blackman**  
**Provost**  
**Dallas County Community College District**

Dr. Sharon Blackman currently serves as the Provost for the Dallas County Community College District. She has more than 30 years of experience in higher education administration, program development, counseling, and teaching.

Dr. Blackman has served as the president of Brookhaven College, part of the Dallas County Community College District, and as president of Oakland Community College's (OCC) Auburn Hills campus, where she also served as that institution's Dean of Technology and Workforce Development Services.

Prior to accepting the position at OCC, Blackman filled a number of administrative positions at Richland College which included Dean of Technical and Continuing Education, Director of Cooperative Education Programs, and Coordinator of Career Services. She has also held several positions at Youngstown State University (Ohio), Earlham College (Indiana), and Tennessee State University.

Blackman, who has taught at Richland College and Earlham College, earned both her bachelor's degree in health and physical education and her master's degree in education/guidance and counseling from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga; she also holds a doctorate in educational administration from Baylor University. She is a certified specialist in developmental education and has participated in the Kellogg Institute for Developmental Educators. She is the recipient of several awards, including the 2011 Technology Innovator of the Year Award and the 2010 Innovator of the Year Award for the DCCCD District Office. Blackman has been a presenter at state and national conferences, and has been involved in a number of professional and community organizations.