



Bio

Dr. Pamela Pruitt

Dr. Pamela Pruitt, is the executive director of the Center for Diversity and Inclusion at Rider University. She currently serves as the chair of the Northeast Tri-State Chapter (NY, NJ, PA) of the National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education (NADOHE). Dr. Pruitt is also the president of The Next Level Consulting, LLC and provides consultation to organizations for development, marketing, and public relations strategies, which includes diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging facilitation. She is a part-time lecturer and guest speaker for the Byrne Seminar at the School of Communication & Information (SC&I) at Rutgers in New Brunswick, NJ, and she is an adjunct professor in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Rider. Dr. Pruitt received her doctorate in Higher Education Management from the University of Pennsylvania in 2016 and her masters in Communication from Rutgers University in 2012, having studied abroad in Oxfordshire England at Wroxton College of Fairleigh Dickinson University. In 2010 she received her BA and AA (2009) in Communications from Thomas Edison State University. She has an extensive and diverse background in media, having held significant positions at major corporations across the country. She has produced and hosted her own television show, *Let's Do Lunch with Pamela*, and she authored a book entitled, *Train the Trainer*, for the Delta Air Lines Automation team, as Pamela Young. She is also a songwriter as Pamela Moffett, having written songs for Smokey Robinson, the Supremes and others. She participated in a Grammy Award-winning CD (2008 for 2007) by Ne-Yo entitled, *Because of You*. Her song (as Pamela Moffett), *Baby Come Close*, can be heard as the background music for his song, *Leaving Tonight*, featuring Jennifer Hudson. She is currently penning a book relating to her survival of the events of 9/11 at the World Trade Center complex in New York City. Dr. Pruitt is a recognized community leader in the City of Trenton, New Jersey and serves on boards and committees for local and national organizations. She has received numerous awards and commendations, and was selected as one of "Twelve Women to Watch" by the *Times Picayune* in New Orleans, Louisiana.