

## **MCC names dean of development**

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MANCHESTER — Manchester Community College has named Endia DeCordova dean of development and community engagement and appointed Leia Bell to the new position of executive director for the MCC Foundation.

DeCordova, a Windsor resident, will be responsible for the college's annual fund, alumni affairs, special events, and community engagement.

She has been an associate dean since 2011 and previously was associate director, institutional advancement and community engagement. She joined MCC in 2005 as a public relations associate.

DeCordova is a past president and board member of the Public Relations Society of America, Connecticut Valley Chapter, and she serves on several additional councils and boards locally, including the Northeast Regional Board of the National Council on Black American Affairs, the East Hartford Chamber of Commerce, and Hartford Area Habitat for Humanity. She has a master's of business administration from the University of Hartford and a bachelor's degree from Morgan State University.

Bell, a resident of Wethersfield, will lead fundraising for the MCC Foundation, such as the initiative to raise \$14 million to support academic programs and college services.

Bell joined MCC as dean of institutional advancement in 2012. Previously, she was director of advancement at Goodwin College, where she managed the development of the Goodwin College Foundation. Previously, she was the associate director of annual giving for the University of Saint Joseph.

Bell is on the board of the World Affairs Council of Connecticut, and she is a member of Toastmasters, the American Association of University Women, the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education, and the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

She has a master's degree in management from St. Joseph, where she was a member of Phi Beta Kappa; a master's in English from National University in San Diego; and a bachelor's in English from the State University of New York at Binghamton, graduating cum laude and a member of the Golden Key International Honor Society.