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Dr. Devan Ford-McCartney obtained a bachelors' degree in organizational communication from Texas Southern University, a Master's Degree in Student Affairs Administration from Texas A&M University, and a Doctor of Education degree from the University of Arkansas. Her range of experience includes work with student housing and residence life, student conduct, Greek life housing, advising student organizations, academic success initiatives, first-year experience, transitional programs, gender equity and inclusion. It was during her time at the University of Arkansas that Devan became interested in women's issues and gender equity. She was involved in a number of initiatives including the No Women Left Behind sexual assault awareness and bystander intervention campaign, Dream B.I.G. (Believing in Girls) Youth Empowerment Camp, and the Women's Issues Committee. She also served as a cofacilitator for many presentations regarding various women's issues including: self-esteem and selfimage, leadership, professionalism and the politics of hair. In her free time, Dr. Ford-McCartney serves on the Board of Directors for Self-Love First Non-Profit, and enjoys community service, spending time with friends, family, her husband, reading, traveling abroad and cooking. She is pleased to continue her work in higher education in her current role where she serves women and persons of all gender identities and expressions in the UH community by promoting gender equity, inclusion and justice as the Director of the Women and Gender Resource Center.