

## Macalester names Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students

**St. Paul, Minn.** – DeMethra LaSha Bradley, the Assistant Dean for Academic and Student Affairs in the College of Education and Social Services at the University of Vermont (UVM), has been named Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students at Macalester College. She will begin her new position at Macalester on July 18.

Bradley has served in a variety of roles throughout her career spanning both student and academic affairs, including residential life, student conduct, campus life, executive operations, international education, and student services. She has been at UVM since 2003 in varying capacities. In her current position, she was responsible for the leadership, supervision and administrative direction of the College of Education and Social Services (CESS) Student Services Office, the primary academic and student affairs service center for 11 undergraduate majors and five graduate programs. Bradley supervised exempt, non-exempt and graduate student staff along with functional supervision of ten faculty program coordinators. She worked collaboratively with the Dean to implement all enrollment management efforts for the unit and reviewed, approved and managed all curricular changes for undergraduate majors. Additionally, she served as the liaison to the Division of Student Affairs, the Division of Enrollment Management, and the Vermont State Agency of Education.

In addition to her administrative post, she served as a faculty member in the Department of Leadership and Developmental Sciences.

“A passionate advocate for students and their learning, DeMethra brings impressive skills and talents as a visionary leader, gifted educator, creative thinker, collaborator, and administrator,” said Donna Lee, Vice President for Student Affairs. “It is with great excitement and anticipation that I welcome her to the Mac community!”

In her new position at Macalester, Bradley will be a key member of the Division’s leadership team and play a vital role within Student Affairs to help define a culture and sense of community on campus that promotes students’ intellectual growth, identity exploration, reflective leadership, and responsible citizenship, while supporting an increasingly diverse, entrepreneurial, and international student body.

Bradley will play a key role in setting the strategic direction for the Division of Student Affairs. She will have direct oversight of Residential Life, Health and Wellness, Disability Services, and International Student



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Programs, fostering synergies among programs and departments.

Additional responsibilities include leading the college-wide case management process and crisis response team; coordinating processes that support student change-in-status actions, including leaves and withdrawals; overseeing the student conduct and judicial process; and serving as the College's Deputy Title IX Coordinator.

"It is with excitement that I join the Macalester College community as the Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students," said Bradley. "My experiences in student and academic affairs have prepared me to take on this new opportunity and continue my career as a student-centered higher education professional. From my first interaction with Donna Lee and the search committee, I knew that Macalester College was a special place with exceptional students, staff, and faculty. I was especially impressed with the dedication and passion of the students. I look forward to getting to know as many students as possible and developing relationships with new colleagues. I am proud to now be a Scot and call Macalester College, along with the greater Twin Cities, my new home."

Bradley replaces Jim Hoppe who had served as Dean of Students at Macalester since 2007. Hoppe is now at Emerson College in Boston, Mass., where he is Vice President and Dean for Campus Life.

Before her current position, Bradley was Associate Director for Academic Integrity, Doctoral Assistant to the President and Provost and Incoming Exchange Students Coordinator at UVM.

She received her Ed.D. and her M.Ed. from the University of Vermont, and her BA from the University of California, Santa Barbara. In 2015, Bradley participated in the HERS Leadership Institute at Bryn Mawr, a two-week intensive leadership development program dedicated to creating and sustaining a community of women leaders in higher education.

Macalester College, founded in 1874, is a national liberal arts college with a full-time enrollment of 2,138 students. Macalester is nationally recognized for its long-standing commitment to academic excellence, internationalism, multiculturalism, and civic engagement. Learn more at [macalester.edu](http://www.macalester.edu) (<http://www.macalester.edu/>).

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