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Areas of Expertise

- Higher education access and success—domestic and international
- Federal and state higher education trends and policies
- Higher education financing options
- College readiness and preparation
- Diversity
- Global higher education trends and policy strategies

Biography

Michelle Asha Cooper is an expert in domestic and international issues related to higher education opportunity and success, with special focus on underserved populations, including: access and success, college readiness and preparation, federal and state higher education trends and policies, higher education financing options, and tuition and financial aid. Before assuming her present position, Dr. Cooper served as the deputy director for the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance (Advisory Committee) at the U. S. Department of Education and held various leadership positions at the Association of American Colleges and Universities, Council for Independent Colleges, and King's College.