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Western announces new Vice President for Student Affairs

Effective July 1, Western Oklahoma State College named Dr. Keila Manos Vice President for Student Affairs. Manos, a Navajo High School graduate, brings more than 15 years of higher education experience to Western Oklahoma State College. While at Western Manos has been a valuable asset in student services, serving as the Director of Student Success and Assistant Registrar, as well as, an Adjunct Sociology Instructor. "I am thrilled to be able to move home and serve the community. I look forward to working with the students, faculty, and staff at Western and contributing to southwest Oklahoma's future," said Manos.

"When Dr. Manos joined the Western family in 2020, she brought to campus a wealth of experience from her tenure at multiple institutions of higher education. As Western's director of student success, she has been instrumental in transforming internal processes to provide enhanced services for students. Her innovative spirit and unwavering work ethic will be invaluable to our executive team," said Dr. Chad Wiginton, WOSC President.

Manos began her career in higher education at the College of Arts & Sciences, University of Missouri-Kansas City holding the position of Scholarship Coordinator/Academic Advisor. She continued academic advising at the University of South Carolina Beaufort. After her move back to her home state of Oklahoma, she held the positions of Registrar at Oklahoma State University- Oklahoma City and Associate Registrar at Oklahoma State University- Stillwater.

Manos earned her bachelor's degree in Psychology from Oklahoma State University, her master's in education in Educational Leadership from Oklahoma State University and Sociology from Arizona State University and her doctorate in Educational Leadership & Policy Studies from Oklahoma State University.

Reporting directly to the president, Manos will oversee a division composed of multiple departments relating to student services including recruitment, admission, advising, enrollment, financial aid, counseling, federal grants, AAFB relations and student government, while working with faculty and staff to ensure the college's mission is accomplished effectively. One of her many goals include helping Western's students get the most of their Western experience as they prepare for further education or to enter the workforce.

Western Oklahoma State College is the oldest original municipal two-year college still in existence in the State of Oklahoma. Its mission is to provide high quality education, support student success, and empower individuals to become productive members of local, regional and global communities. Western offers high-quality associate degrees and certificates to students in its five-county service area and beyond. For more information, visit wosc.edu.

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