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Teresa M. "Terri" Boyer, EdD, is an innovative leader in economic and social equity for women. She currently serves as the founding director of the Anne Welsh McNulty Institute for Women's Leadership and an associate professor of Education and Counseling at Villanova University. The McNulty Institute was created to foster women's advancement through education, advocacy, community-building and the collaborative creation of new knowledge, and seeks to be a premier, nationally-recognized organization with groundbreaking scholarship and innovative programs that advance women as leaders.

Dr. Boyer previously served as executive director of the Center for Women and Work and as an assistant research professor at Rutgers University. At the Center, she successfully developed its strategic vision and areas of expertise, which include women's education and career development, women's leadership and advancement, working families, and women and STEM. She worked collaboratively with regional and national nonprofits, foundations, state and federal government agencies, industry partners as well as with individual donors, to promote the advancement of women.

Prior to her tenure at Rutgers, Dr. Boyer served as director of technical assistance and as associate project director of the US Department of Education's Women's Educational Equity Act Equity Assistance Center, and as a research associate for the Gender, Diversities and Technology Institute at the Education Development Center. She also served as director of Pre-College and Undergraduate Programs for the Douglass Project for Rutgers Women in Math, Science and Engineering, and as program coordinator for the Women's Resource Center at the University of Alabama.

As a recognized leader in her field, Dr. Boyer has been highly sought-after to offer her expertise and guidance on numerous advisory boards, committees and task forces for foundations, schools and government agencies. She is an accomplished author who has published on educational and workforce equity, institutional reform for equity, women's education and leadership, the effectiveness of equity programs, and assessment and teacher training. She is a skilled researcher who has secured substantial federal, state and private grant funds to support critical work on the issues of the advancement of women and gender equity. Known as an outstanding professor, Dr. Boyer has taught courses on working women in America, work-life balance, leadership development, youth and work, and career planning and development.

Dr. Boyer holds a doctorate in Education and a Master of Arts in Higher Education Administration from the University of Alabama. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education from Villanova, and she received the Medallion of Excellence from the Department of Education and Counseling.