

PANEL DISCUSSION: ADVOCATING FOR EQUALITY: GENDER, RACE AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION

# MEET THE **PANELISTS**





#### MODERATOR

Missy was recently named Co-Executive Director of the Rape Crisis Center. She holds her Master's Degree in Education from Edgewood College and has extensive experience in strategic planning, marketing, development, and communications. Mael grew the Outreach and Education Department. expanding RCC's reach to underserved populations. Prior to RCC, she served as Assistant Dean of Students and Grant Project Coordinator at Edgewood College, where she secured significant federal funding for sexual violence prevention and response.

## MISSY MAEL (SHE/HER)



#### **PANELIST**

Emily is a queer, polyamorous writer, editor, musician, and activist. She is currently working as the Media & PR Manager for the Wisconsin chapter of The Nature Conservancy, Previously, Emily spent 7 years as the Editor for Our Lives, Wisconsin's only LGBTQ+ publication, and still contributes on a freelance basis from time to time. Other pursuits have involved producing the Fire Ball Masquerade (an annual, alternative variety show that ran for 10 years), playing in various bands, and a lot of freelance writing work including several years as an opinion columnist for the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel. Emily lives in Madison, Wisconsin with her partners and two snuggly puppies.

#### EMILY MILLS (SHE/HER/HERS)

MEDIA & PR MANAGER NATURE CONSERVANCY, WISCONSIN CHAPTER



#### **PANELIST**

Jill is President/CEO of Humanidei, providing comprehensive human capital solutions that help credit unions become workplaces that work for today's workforce. Since 2001 she has taken on leadership roles at credit unions and state and national trade associations. Now, she is using her experience and passion to lead Humanidei, a human capital strategies firm committed to making credit unions the workplaces and volunteer causes of choice for today's workforce. One of her keynote presentations: Balanced Teams are Better Teams breaks down the intimidating topic into 10 Tiny Conversations about gender balance, the blatant and hidden issues surrounding gender at work, and why it is all of our business as professionals to address this area

#### JILL NOWACKI (SHE/HER)



#### PANELIST

Dana is an activist, artist, and educator. Working for the last 8 years in social services, she is now the Co-Executive Director of the Rape Crisis Center. Pellebon led an overhaul of client advocacy and counseling, including the hiring of licensed therapists to offer free services to victims and survivors of sexual violence who are in crisis. As a kink educator and burlesque performer, she has worked in the scene to expand Black representation with a focus on consent. Whether presenting at a national conference or teaching small groups at local women's sexuality stores, her focus is working through oneself to be more open and accepting of one's sexuality on one's own terms

### DANA PELLEBON (SHE/HER)



#### PANELIST

Dr. Wesley is the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater since July 2019. Dr. Wesley joined the Warhawk family in July of 2016 as the Dean of Students. She graduated from the UW-Platteville with a Bachelor of Sciences degree in Psychology (2004) and Masters of Science in Education (2006). She received a doctoral degree in Educational Psychology from Capella University in January 2018. Prior to arriving at UW-Whitewater, she served as Senior Academic Planner for Student Affairs at UW System Administration and Dean of Students at UW-Platteville. She has worked in higher education specifically in Student Affairs for the past 13 years.

#### DR. ARTANYA WESLEY

VICE CHANCELLOR FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-WHITEATER