



Landon Pirius, Ph.D.

INTERIM PRESIDENT

Dr. Landon Pirius is the Interim President of the Community College of Denver and the tenth president of Red Rocks Community College (RRCC), two of the larger colleges within the Colorado Community College System (CCCS).

Prior to his current role at RRCC, he served as Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs for CCCS, where he was the system's Chief Academic Officer and provided strategic leadership for all aspects of academic affairs, student affairs, and institutional research. Landon also provided leadership and coordination among college presidents and vice presidents and worked closely with system and college staff to improve, expand, evaluate, and promote academic and student affairs initiatives. His efforts helped advance excellence in teaching, learning, critical thinking, student engagement, and student success. He also led diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives focused on fostering exceptional teaching and learning outcomes.

Before joining CCCS, Landon served as Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs at North Hennepin Community College in Minnesota, where he was committed to building a collaborative culture centered on student success, data-driven decision-making, strategic planning, and continuous quality improvement. He also held a variety of leadership roles at Inver Hills Community College, Minnesota State University, Mankato, and Walden University, and served as an adjunct faculty member at several institutions.

Landon earned bachelor's degrees in Russian Studies and Environmental Studies from Gustavus Adolphus College and received both his M.A. and Ph.D. in Educational Policy and Administration from the University of Minnesota. His graduate studies focused on comparative and international development education.

In his free time, Landon enjoys spending time with his family, obstacle course racing, cooking, gardening, traveling, and playing video games.

