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Jeanette Mitchell, Ed.D. is former Program Director for the Cardinal Stritch University Leadership Center. In this position she managed and directed the Professionals of Color lines of business. Mitchell also was formerly the co-founder and Executive Director of the Stritch Leadership Center. In this capacity, she developed innovative programming for professionals of color.

Currently she continues her work as the Chief Creative Officer for her consulting business, Leadership By Dr. Jeanette (LBDJ). LBDJ works in creative partnerships to direct, design and manage leadership development programs throughout the Greater Milwaukee community. The partnerships include the African American Leadership Program (AALP), the Neighborhood Leadership Institute (NLI) and the African American Leadership Alliance-Milwaukee (AALAM).

Dr. Mitchell has extensive cross-sector experience in business, education, non-profit and politics. As a successful leader, her skills span management and diversity issues, as well as executive training and development. She spent more than 30 years in the corporate sector, holding senior management roles at Ameritech/SBC/AT&T. During this period, Jeanette also served as an elected representative on the City of Milwaukee School Board for eight years including three terms as president. Her service spanned three superintendents and she was re-elected twice to the position.

Before transitioning to Cardinal Stritch University, Dr. Mitchell spent eight years in the non-profit sector as the first education program officer at the Helen Bader Foundation (currently Bader Philanthropies), where she designed and implemented the Education program.

Mitchell holds a BA in Business Management from Alverno College, an MBA from University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and a Doctorate in Leadership for the Advancement of Learning and Service from Cardinal Stritch University. Her dissertation, *Fighting Inequalities in Education for African Americans: A Comparative Analysis of Two Leaders' Stories*, examines the leadership impact of Dr. Howard Fuller and Dr. Booker T. Washington.

In her free time Dr. Mitchell enjoys reading murder mysteries and books on spiritual development as well as traveling to fun places.