

Dr. Sheila Edwards Lange was appointed vice president for minority affairs and vice provost for diversity at the University of Washington effective July 1, 2007.

Dr. Lange has a wide array of experience in higher education administration and has been a force for diversity at the UW. Her former positions include special assistant to the vice president and vice provost for minority affairs and diversity, where she provided leadership for the initiative to assess campus diversity and managed the work of the University's Diversity Council, and Associate Director of Workforce Development at the College of Engineering. Dr. Lange has helped develop creative faculty recruitment initiatives and has been active in mentoring students, especially in science, engineering and mathematics. She is a member of the UW President's Cabinet, the UW Marketing Executive Advisory Group, and the Enrollment and Retention Policy Advisory Committee.

Dr. Lange received a doctorate from the UW in educational leadership and policy studies and a master's degree in public administration. She holds a bachelor's degree in social ecology from the University of California, Irvine.

She is a charter member of the National Association of Chief Diversity Officers; a former member of the Board of Directors of the Women in Engineering and Program Advocates Network; and a member of the Association for the Study of Higher Education, the American Educational Research Association, and the Association for Institutional Research. Her civic and community engagement includes serving on the boards of One World Now!, the Urban Enterprise Center of the Greater Seattle Chamber of Commerce, the Seattle Art Museum's Community Advisory Committee and membership in many other local organizations.

Dr. Lange was the recipient of the UW's 2005 Diversity Award for Community Building in recognition of her work as a community activist and advocate for diversity in higher education.