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## **BIOGRAPHY**

Dr. Augustus-Wallace serves LSU Health Sciences Center, School of Medicine (SOM), Department of Medicine, and Office of Diversity and Community Engagement as an Associate Professor-Research, and as Director of Undergraduate Academic Pipeline Programs for Diversity. In this role, she is responsible for the creation, development, and implementation of current and future ODCE programs and operations, which involves data/statistics collection, compilation, analysis, and reporting related to institutional diversity metrics for medical education, graduate medical education, and faculty, as well as planning and evaluation of programs, projects, and services. Additionally, as the liaison between our office and Louisiana Undergraduate Institutions, she develops and facilitates undergraduate pipeline programs for the recruitment and retention of URM students interested in attending medical school. She advises and mentors students, both academically and professionally, as well as coordinates and assists in the development and implementation of diversity related medical education curriculum, such as her role with the SOM-UME, Health Equity Curriculum Committee and its Faculty Professional Development in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI).

Likewise, she leads and has several roles regarding Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Affairs committees and educational efforts in our Schools of Medicine, Graduate Studies, and Vice-Chancellor, Academic Affairs (VCAA) for Faculty/Staff/Professional Students (Medical and Biomedical).

Dr. Augustus-Wallace is a Baton Rouge, LA native and is an alumna of LSU-Baton Rouge where she earned both her undergraduate and first Master's degrees in Biochemistry. She earned her second Master's degree from the University of New Orleans in Healthcare Management with Public Health/Epidemiology emphasis. She is a Ruth L. Kirschstein/NIH/NIGMS/MARC Faculty Fellow and earned her Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree from LSU Health Sciences Center, School of Graduate Studies, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, where she studied the mechanism of ubiquitin E3 ligases, Nedd4.1 and Nedd4.2. Dr. Augustus-Wallace is a member of several professional organizations, such as the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (**ASBMB**), the National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education (**NADOHE**), NIH-Women of Color Research Network, and the Association of Women in Science (**AWIS**)-National & LSUHSC Chapter. Additionally, she is a former faculty member of Delgado Community College, as an Instructor of Biology, as well as Dillard University, where as an Instructor of Biology (2000-2005), she led the creation of the institution's Pre-Dental School Program and served as its Pre-Dental School Advisor, and Chairperson of its Dental School Placement Committee.