Dr. Monique Franics-Hinsey



Award: Alumni Achievement Awards - Education

Award Description: The Alumni Achievement Awards acknowledge the accomplishments of distinguished alumni across a spectrum of disciplines, including Arts & Sciences, Religion, Medicine (including various forms such as Psychiatry, Audiology, and Dentistry), Sports, Business, Finance, Technology and Engineering, and Education. These awards recognize individuals who have attained remarkable success in their respective professions and have made outstanding contributions to their communities

Justification: Dr. Monique Hinsey is a beacon of inspiration and visionary leadership, dedicated to nurturing tomorrow's leaders and empowering them for nation-building and global citizenship. With nearly three decades of experience in college and career readiness, she has become a prominent authority in the Bahamas, guiding countless students toward their college aspirations and securing over \$75 million in scholarship funding opportunities to revolutionize the college-going culture in the country. As a social entrepreneur, life coach, mentor, and author of "A Road Trip Guide To College" and "Making The College Transition," Dr. Hinsey has tirelessly championed the cause of college preparedness and student success. She has cultivated numerous international educational partnerships, facilitating college enrollment for students, many of whom are the first in their families to pursue higher education. Her commitment to service in education stems from her deep-rooted belief in Christian and national duty, recognizing her calling to uplift the nation's youth. Dr. Hinsey's journey began at St. Augustine's College, where she imbibed the values of excellence, leadership, and pride that her beloved high school principal, Deacon Leviticus "Uncle Lou" Adderley, instilled. Upon graduating in 1989, she embarked on an educational odyssey, starting with studies in Psychology and Sociology at Drury University and later Belmont University in the United States. Throughout her undergraduate years, Dr. Hinsey confronted challenges, including racial tensions and the struggles of being a first-generation college student. However, these experiences sensitized her to the obstacles her future students might face when studying abroad. Despite the hurdles, she excelled academically, fueled by her unwavering



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