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45 Industry Leaders Complete Inaugural DEI Certificate Course from CUES® and Cornell University

MADISON, Wis.— Talent development leader CUES recently announced 45 credit union leaders have received their Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Certificate, earned by taking the <u>Diversity</u>, <u>Equity and Inclusion Certificate Program</u> from CUES and Cornell University.

"A hearty congratulations goes out to everyone who participated in this vital and timely program," said John Pembroke, CUES President/CEO. "We're pleased so many industry leaders embraced this opportunity, in turn demonstrating their commitment to making the world a better place through equity and inclusion."

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Certificate recipients are:

- Blessing Allison, Training Director, Red River Employees Federal Credit Union, Texarkana, TX
- Samantha Amburgey, Chief Information Officer, Michigan State University Federal Credit Union, East Lansing, MI
- Kristi Amick, Account Executive, CUNA Mutual Group, Madison, WI
- Lea Ammerman, Chief Operating Officer, Michigan State University Federal Credit Union, East Lansing, MI
- Celia Armstrong, VP/HR, Learning & Development, TTCU Federal Credit Union, Tulsa,
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- Shelli Bardsley, CSE, CCE, Chief Administrative Officer, Idaho Central Credit Union, Pocatello, ID
- Jane Barron, Executive Assistant/Admin Manager, Coastal Community Credit Union, Nanaimo, British Columbia, Canada
- Trevor Beaton, Chief Innovation and People Officer, Synergy Credit Union, Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, Canada

- Maryrose Bernabe, Director/ Member Contact Centers, State Department Federal Credit Union, Alexandria, VA
- Jennifer Binkley, CCE, President/CEO, Altura Credit Union, Riverside, CA
- Scott Bonacorsi, PHR, SHRM-CP, SVP/Chief Administration Officer, Credit Union One, Ferndale, MI
- Kayla Borup, Manager, Communications & Change Management, Copperfin Credit Union, Kenora, Ontario, Canada
- April Clobes, President/CEO, Michigan State University Federal Credit Union, East Lansing, MI
- Raquel Aedeona Crossley, Recruiter, Northwest Federal Credit Union, Herndon, VA
- Lauren Davison, VP/HR & Organizational Development, Premier Members Credit Union, Boulder, CO
- Robyn Dietrich, Training Manager, West Community Credit Union, O'Fallon, MO
- Silvia Dimma, Chief Human Resources Officer, Michigan State University Federal Credit Union, East Lansing, MI
- Kelli Ellsworth Etchison, Chief Marketing Officer/Chief Diversity Officer, LAFCU, Lansing, MI
- Derek Fuzzell, CPA, CMA, CSCA, Chief Financial & Strategy Officer, PAHO/WHO Federal Credit Union, Washington, D.C.
- Angela Gargo, VP/Talent Management, Community First Credit Union, Appleton, WI
- Marnie Gerkhardt, Emerging Development Leader, Ent Credit Union, Colorado Springs,
 CO
- Jeanne Gervin, VP/Human Resources, University CU, Los Angeles, CA
- Chelsea Goodsell, Human Resources Manager, Michigan State University Federal Credit Union, East Lansing, MI
- Amanda Hallmark, Talent Development Officer, Integris Credit Union, Prince George, British Columbia, Canada
- Ayren Hurst, VP Knowledge Management, Credit Union One, Ferndale, MI
- Sara Janssen, VP/Member Engagement, WESTconsin Credit Union, Menomonie, WI
- Deb Jewell, Culture/DEI Ambassador, Dover Federal Credit Union, Dover, DE
- Tara Klun, AVP/Human Resources, Summit Credit Union, Madison, WI

- Roberta Kozlowicz, CSE, CCE, EVP/COO, DuPage CU, Naperville, IL
- Jennifer Kuhn, Vice President of Human Resources, Bank-Fund Staff Federal Credit Union, Washington, D.C.
- Laura Leschewski, HR/Recruiting Manager, DuPage CU, Naperville, IL
- Dale Morris, Branch/Regional Manager, Seattle Credit Union, Seattle, WA
- Jim Newstrom, Branch/Regional Manager, Seattle Credit Union, Seattle, WA
- Cara Nisbet, VP/Human Resources, Prairie Centre Credit Union Ltd., Rosetown, Saskatchewan, Canada
- Brad Penner, CCD, Chief Executive Officer, Rosenort Credit Union, Rosenort, Manitoba,
 Canada
- Donna Perkett, Chief Operating Officer, Vermont Federal Credit Union, Burlington, VT
- Brandy Phillips, Director/Mortgage Fulfillment, TDECU, Lake Jackson, TX
- Chaz Rzewnicki, CCE, President/CEO, Dover Federal Credit Union, Dover, DE
- Kelcey William Stevens, CWS, CFEI, CRC, CPC, Organizational Learning & Leadership Adviser, Sharonview Federal Credit Union, Indian Land, SC
- Craig Stokes, CSE, Manager/Staff Development, Bank-Fund Staff Federal Credit Union, Washington, D.C.
- Leona Warner, Manager People Solutions, G&F Financial Group, Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada
- Tonja Wheatley, VP/CU Solutions/Membership, California/Nevada CU League, Ontario,
 CA
- Janine Williams, VP/Marketing, University of Virginia Community Credit Union,
 Charlottesville, VA
- Jennifer Young, Director of HR, NRL Federal Credit Union, Alexandria, VA
- Tina Zito, Employee Success Specialist, Christian Financial Credit Union, Sterling Heights, MI

"Last June, we made a commitment to help lead the fight against injustice and inequality. Offering the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Certificate Program is just one of many ways we're supporting the effort," said Pembroke. "Due to the importance of this topic and the overwhelming response we received from the first program, which sold out, we are offering the course again this August."

CUES partnered with Cornell University to launch a series of certificate programs last fall. All were developed specifically for the credit union industry, offer online instruction directly from Cornell University faculty, and are available only from CUES. Upcoming courses are:

- <u>CUES Advanced Management Certificate Program</u>, starting July 21
- <u>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Certificate Program</u>, starting August 11

Learn more about CUES at <u>cues.org</u>.

CUES is the leading talent development solutions provider for credit unions in North America. We educate, develop and support credit union CEOs, executives, directors, and emerging leaders through partnerships with premier business schools, live and online events, digital learning, networking, and premium content. With over 31,000 members and growing, we measure success one leader at a time.

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