Fourth Annual New Jersey Convening on
Diversifying the Teacher Workforce:

Diversifying the Teacher Workforce in a Polarized Political Climate: Exploring What Works and Why

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 4 pm - 5:15 pm (virtual)
Tuesday, October 12, 2021 4 pm - 5:15 pm (virtual)
Tuesday, October 19, 2021 - 9 am - 1pm (virtual)

Keynote Speakers

Dr. Rita Kohli is an Associate Professor in the Education, Society and Culture Program and serves as Equity Advisor in the Graduate School of Education at the University of California, Riverside (UCR). A former Oakland Unified School District teacher, she is also the co-founder and co-director of the Institute for Teachers of Color Committed to Racial Justice (ITOC). Her research examines the professional experiences and wellbeing of teachers of Color as it is impacted by racism and racial justice work, and she is the author of *Teachers of Color: Resisting Racism and Reclaiming Education*. Kohli was the recipient the UCR Innovator for Social Change Award (2016), the Scholar Activist and Community Advocacy Award from the Critical Educators for Social Justice Special Interest Group of AERA (2017), the Early Career Award from the Division G: Social Context of Education of AERA (2018), and the Mid-career Award from the Division K: Teaching and Teacher Education of AERA (2021).

Dr. Bree Picower is an Associate Professor at Montclair State University (MSU) in the College of Education and Human Development. She is the Co-Director of two innovative teacher education programs, the Urban Teacher Residency, Newark Teacher Project as well as the Critical Urban Education Speaker Series with Dr. Tanya Maloney at MSU. She is the author of *Reading, Writing and Racism, Practice What You Teach: Social Justice Education in the Classroom and the Streets* and the co-editor of *What’s Race Got To Do With It? How current school reform maintains racial and economic inequality* and *Confronting Racism in Teacher Education: Counternarratives of Critical Practice*. Across her writing and teaching, Picower examines the role of racism in education and how to prepare teachers to disrupt Whiteness in order to advance social and racial justice. She has taught in public elementary schools in Oakland, California and New York City.

Tanya Maloney, Ed.D. is an assistant professor of secondary education in the department of Teaching and Learning at Montclair State University (MSU). She co-directs the Newark Teacher Project and the Critical Urban Education Speaker Series with Dr. Bree Picower at MSU. She teaches undergraduate- and graduate-level courses in both urban teacher preparation and leadership preparation programs. She also has over fifteen years of experience consulting teachers and leaders in public and independent schools across the country. Dr. Maloney began her career in education as a high school mathematics teacher at Robeson High School in Chicago, IL. Her research broadly centers on issues of race, racism, and justice in teacher education. More specifically, she examines the preparation and development of anti-racist and culturally relevant mathematics and science teachers for Black and Latinx students. Her research is published in *Cognition and Instruction, Teaching and Teacher Education*, the *Journal for Research in Mathematics Education*, and the *Journal of Research on Leadership Education*.

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