

JVS Boston names Ashley Oguadimma as Vice President of Academic Services

March 1, 2021 (Boston, MA) - Jewish Vocational Service (JVS) Boston is proud to announce the appointment of Ashley Oguadimma, M. Ed. to the role of Vice President of Academic Services. Ashley joined JVS on March 1, 2021.



As Vice President of Academic Services, Ashley will be a member of the JVS Leadership Team. In her role, she will lead a team that provides JVS clients with programmatic pathways for academic advancement and economic independence. This crucial work includes [Adult Diploma Pathway](#), a high school diploma program through JVS's partner, Boston Central Adult High School, as well as [Bridges to College & Careers](#), a college preparation program with multiple pathways that provide students with the knowledge, academic skills, and guidance they need to succeed in college and on the job.

"I am so excited to welcome Ashley to the JVS team. Throughout the interview process Ashley met with over 25 JVS staff across the organization, every one of whom was blown away by Ashley's experience, leadership philosophy and energy," said Kira Khazatsky, JVS Chief Operating Officer. "I have no doubt that under Ashley's leadership our Academic Services Division will continue to blossom and grow, and I look forward to our work together."

Ashley is equally excited to join the JVS Team. "I joined JVS to continue my work as an agent of change and growth. I am bringing my experience in education and leadership to the team here, to empower and support our clients in knowing that this is an incredible step in accessing what has yet to come. I am so excited to contribute, as well as learn from this amazing team!"

Most recently, Ashley was the Academic Director at Year Up in Boston, where she provided vision and leadership for the Academic team, working closely with national and local program and academic staff to shape and implement national academic program goals. Ashley collaborated with higher education providers to help establish Year Up as a dynamic educational partner while also ensuring quality staffing, curriculum, professional development, and student assessment data. Prior roles include teaching at Codman Academy Charter Public Schools and serving as Dean of Students at Conservatory Lab Charter School.

Ashley holds a master's degree in education from Boston College with a focus in education through an urban and special education lens, and a bachelor's degree from Spellman College. She currently serves on the Alumni Board for Thayer Academy and sits on the Board for The WOW Coalition. Ashley is an active member of the International Honor Society in Education, Kappa Delta Pi, as well as a DEI consultant for culturally competent curriculum cultivation with

Quality Interactions. In her spare time, she volunteers at events for empowerment agencies such as Let Me Lead Girls Conference and Jack and Jill of America, Inc., Boston Chapter.

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About JVS Boston:

[Jewish Vocational Service \(JVS\)](#) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, nonsectarian organization founded in 1938. JVS serves more than 16,000 individuals annually, and is one of the largest community-based providers of adult education and workforce development services in Greater Boston. JVS's mission is to empower individuals from diverse communities to find employment and build careers, while partnering with employers to hire, develop, and retain productive workforces. In support of this mission, JVS provides a wide range of adult education, vocational training, job readiness, career counseling, and job placement services, as well as related supportive services.