

DEI Community Spotlight

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I am Kara Howard, Program Director and Assistant Professor for the Allen College Radiography and Medical Imaging programs. I have always been passionate about helping others and knew from a young age that I could make a difference in the healthcare field.

My career in radiology started when I graduated from the Allen College Radiography program in 2006. Over the years, I had opportunities to work with a diverse group of patients and healthcare professionals. I absolutely loved building relationships in the direct patient care environment, but it was my love for teaching that took me on a new journey. I graduated with my master's in education from the University of Northern Iowa in 2017 and transitioned into a full-time educator in 2018. I absolutely love that I play a part in the growth and development of our future radiologic technologists. I find great joy in guiding those students who have similar goals and aspirations as me.

I became a member of the Allen College DEI committee because I want to have a bigger impact on our community; I want everyone to feel like they belong. The warm, welcoming culture here at Allen College was the main factor in me starting my journey here in 2006. It's also the main reason why I continue to stay.