

Early Career Achievement

Summer Howard

*Administrative Assistant
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Professional, positive, and a powerhouse of organization, communication, and collaboration, Summer Howard radiates enthusiasm in the many ways she serves the school and University.

Summer joined SBS just as the University was regrouping from the pandemic's challenges and she immediately took steps to help build back the community. In her first year, she planned a successful Faculty Summit, a fall welcome event, a winter celebration, and ongoing informal bimonthly gatherings. Her initiatives have improved communications and collaborations and increased the sense of community between and among graduate students and faculty.

She applies her skills and knowledge to elevate the school's people and programs and actively seeks ways to streamline operations. She provides outstanding support to faculty and staff by quickly determining their specific needs and responding with critical information, advice, or direction.

Summer's time management skills allow her also to chair the WSU Parking Appeals Committee and serve on the Transportation Task Force and the University Awards Committee.

With her cheerful spirit and focus on teamwork, Summer inspires optimism and confidence University-wide.

