

MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

The Campaign for Douglass

Impacting Students and Alumnae



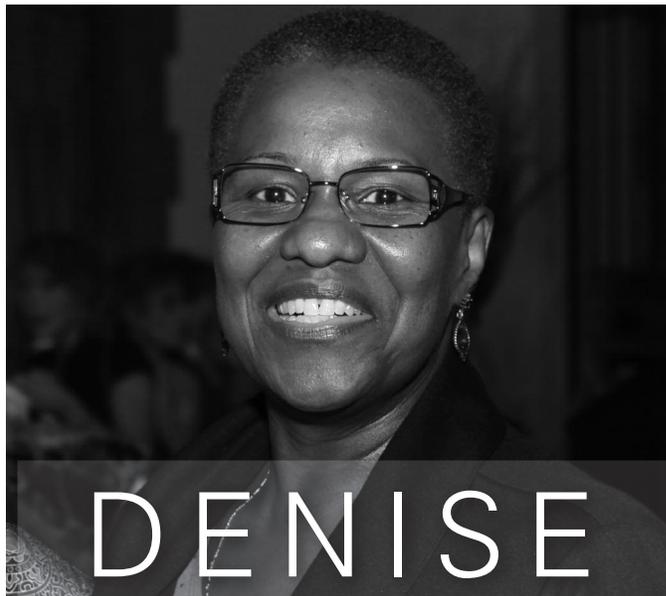
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To be a DOUGLASS WOMAN means...

CHALLENGING YOURSELF TO FIND OUT
WHO YOU REALLY ARE



DENISE

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BENEFITING FROM THE WISDOM AND THE PASSION OF
ALUMNAE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

Throughout *The Campaign for Douglass* students and alumnae have been sharing how Douglass makes a difference in their lives. December 2014, will mark the completion of the Campaign. We seek to do what Douglass women are known for – exceed expectations and surpass our goals! The time is now. Douglass tomorrow will be stronger with your support today. Visit www.campaignfordouglass.org to learn more about how you can participate.

Niji's Story: I wanted more of a sense of community when I enrolled at Rutgers, but the AADC Extern Program was what really caused me to choose Douglass. I've had three externships so far. The first was a business development externship in downtown Philadelphia, computerizing data so the company could visually determine what was happening with its business. My mentor was an alumna, so we had an immediate connection.

I liked my externship so much that I sought another one right away. The more experience I get, the more I'm able to put the pieces of the puzzle together to figure out what I really want to do in my career.

Douglass ended up being all I expected, and more. It changed me in a positive way. Now I'm a Red Pine Ambassador, a mentor to a first-year student through the Big/Little Program. I loved taking Douglass' required Knowledge and Power class, where you're assigned a peer mentor, so I wanted to mentor someone myself.



Denise's Story: I've worked for the Veterans Administration New Jersey Health Care System in East Orange almost two decades, and I love working with patients. I'm proud to say that I also was an Army Reservist, something I always wanted to do.

As an alumna, I became involved with the AADC when I got a phone call from another alumna, asking if I would serve on the board. This has been a great leadership training experience. I served as nominating committee chair, researching and then reaching out to touch someone's life. I've learned a lot from other savvy, organized, outstanding Douglass women. If you see that

Douglass ring, there's that instant connection.

Earlier alumnae laid the groundwork for us, and now we are paving the way for women who following behind us. We have to set an example, keep in step with the times, and keep Douglass and the AADC realistic for them. I strive to be the best woman that I can be.