Marian R. Vasser is Director of Diversity Education and Inclusive Excellence, which is a new functional area designed to support campus-wide diversity education and training and is based on recommendations from the 21st Century Culture of Excellence and the President’s Diversity Steering committees. With nearly 23 years of diverse service at the university, Marian is professionally and personally committed to creating environments that are more inclusive and equitable for all.

As Director of Diversity Education and Inclusive Excellence, Marian will continue to develop and deliver diversity and inclusion training opportunities and workshops. She will also work with various partners to develop leadership and training opportunities for students, staff, and faculty. Consultation regarding climate, practice, and policy are also available upon request.

Marian is an advocate for equity-focused education, and is committed to life-long learning. Her ability to successfully complete her BA in Sociology and MA in Higher Education Administration, while working multiple jobs and single-parenting is a reflection of this commitment.

Marian is a proud mother of three very intelligent, gifted and talented boys: Trey, Tavon and Tobias (twins). She is also very active in the education of her children and consistently serves as an SBDM parent representative and PTA board and committee member.

Her passion lies with social justice and she work tirelessly to engage others in the work of creating environments that are more inclusive and equitable for all. Marian is an active member of Bates Memorial Baptist Church, where she also teaches high school bible study, incorporating a social justice framework.

For additional information regarding Marian’s experience and contributions in the area of diversity and inclusion, please view her resume.'