

Jill Farrell

Dr. Jill Beloff Farrell is a Full Professor and currently serves as the Vice Provost for Faculty Success and Graduate Studies at Barry University. Prior to her appointment as Vice Provost, Dr. Farrell served as the Dean in the Adrian Dominican School of Education, Leadership, and Human Development at Barry from 2014-2024. She earned her doctoral degree in Curriculum and Instruction/Instructional Leadership at Florida International University in 1999. She also holds a master's degree in Elementary Education and a Bachelor's in Fine Arts from Florida International University.

In her 25 years at Barry University, Dr. Farrell has held many other roles including: Chair for the Curriculum and Instruction Department, Director of the MS Elementary Education program, and Director of the MS, EdS, and PhD Curriculum and Instruction programs. Prior to her promotion to Dean, Dr. Farrell served as the Associate Dean for Teacher Education and International Programs. Throughout her career she has been active in a myriad of local, state, national and international professional organizations and has held leadership roles in the Florida Association for Teacher Educators, the American Educational Research Association, and Phi Delta Kappa. Additionally, Dr. Farrell has been actively involved in a number of collaborative initiatives funded through the Education Fund to support MDCPS teachers and students, including the Superintendent's Urban Principal Initiative (SUPI). She was actively involved as the Miami-based research advisor for over a decade with the Teachers Network Leadership Institute (TNLI), a national non-profit organization that brought teachers' voices to policy-making initiatives, as well as helping to create and implement the original Collaborative Nutrition Initiative, which was the precursor to Food Forests for Schools. In 2018, Dr. Farrell was awarded the Inaugural Impact in Education Award by the Education Fund "in recognition of her extraordinary contributions to education."

During her tenure as a faculty member at Barry she has published in a variety of peer-reviewed professional handbooks and journals and presented at numerous local, state, national

and international conferences. Her areas of research include workplace learning, organizational leadership and development, arts-based research methods, action research, self-study of teacher education practices, collaboration, teacher leadership, professional development, visual thinking strategies, culturally responsive pedagogy, and the globalization of higher education.

Dr. Farrell was integral in founding ADSOE's first international MS in Elementary Education cohort in Nassau, Bahamas in 2009. Under her leadership, the School of Education expanded its program offerings to include Freeport, Bahamas and over the next 15 years expanded program offerings in The Bahamas to include: MS in Human Resource Development (f/k/a Organizational Learning and Leadership), MS in Exceptional Student Education, MS in Curriculum and Instruction, MS in School Counseling, and EdD in Organizational Learning and Leadership with specializations in Human Resource Development and Educational Leadership.

Throughout her years of service at Barry University, Dr. Farrell has been instrumental in raising awareness in the School of Education, the University, and in the community, about a number of significant issues ranging from the role of nutrition and wellness programs in school curricula to collaborative inquiry and action research, organizational, teacher and instructional leadership, and arts-based educational research methods. Prior to joining the University, Dr. Farrell served as a K-8 principal, assistant principal, and curriculum director. She has taught science, social studies, mathematics, language arts and art at both the elementary and middle school levels. Her passion and dedication to high-quality teacher, teacher educator, and leadership preparation programs continues to drive her work.