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Chemistry Professor Recognized as One of 100 Inspiring Women in STEM

▶ **LOS ANGELES** – California State University, Los Angeles Professor Krishna Foster has been named a recipient of the 100 Inspiring Women in STEM Award for encouraging and inspiring young women to pursue careers in science by *Insight Into Diversity*, a publication for the higher education community.

“I am so honored to receive this award,” Foster said. “It makes the long time I’ve spent developing pathways for inclusive STEM education worth it. I do what I do because being a scientist is a whole lot of fun.”

An advocate for women and minorities in STEM, Foster serves

as associate director for Cal State L.A.’s Minority Opportunities in Research, an umbrella organization for programs funded by the National Science Foundation and National Institutes of Health. In its most recent listing, the National Science Foundation ranked Cal State L.A. as the top U.S. baccalaureate institution of origin for Latino science and engineering Ph.D. recipients. MORE alumni are the largest contributors to this ranking. In the past decade, 70 percent of MORE undergrads and 85 percent of MORE master’s students have entered Ph.D. programs at universities such as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, UCLA and UC San Diego — Scripps.