Jennifer Wilbanks



Dr. Wilbanks currently serves as the Executive Vice President for Academics and Workforce Development at Horry-Georgetown Technical College and has over 22 years of experience working in higher education. Before coming to HGTC, she served in past roles at Piedmont Technical College, including the assistant vice president for academics, dean of county campuses, interim dean for engineering and industrial technology, director of dual enrollment, instructor, outreach counselor, and career transition specialist.

A native of South Carolina, Dr. Wilbanks holds a Bachelor's degree from the University of South Carolina, a Master's degree of Education with an emphasis in counseling, and a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership, higher education, both from Clemson University. In addition to her earned degrees, she is a graduate of the Future Presidents Institute from the American Association of Community Colleges and a graduate from the South Carolina Technical College System's Leadership Academy.

Dr. Wilbanks has developed expertise in accreditation-related issues during her career by serving on several Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges accreditation committees. She is involved with her local community and currently serves on the McLeod Loris Seacoast Hospital Board, the Horry County Schools Business Cabinet, the Commission on Higher Education dual enrollment subcommittee, and was the past 2024-25 Chair of the state-wide Chief Academic Officers. She was also honored to receive the SCTEA Educator of the Year in the administrative category in 2023.