

I am The **ROCK**

Amanda Yale

Job: Associate provost for enrollment services.

Joined SRU: Fall 1985.

Background: With 27 years in higher education, my areas of responsibility currently include undergraduate and graduate admissions, orientation, financial aid, academic records and summer school, retention services, academic services, career services and services for students with disabilities. I have spent about two thirds of my tenure in higher education working as a faculty member with first-year programs and academic advisement services. Now, I focus my efforts working with our division's staff and faculty on improving our institution's services and programs related to recruiting, admitting and retaining our students.

Interests: Professionally, I enjoy working on issues related to first-year advisement, first-year transition, early alert and intervention services, freshman seminar, learning communities, academic support services for at-risk students, orientation programming and strategic enrollment management planning. I enjoy spending my time with my two girls, Nicole and Kelci, who enjoy the three S's: swimming, scrapbooking and shopping. I also enjoy my partner Mark's scrumptious cooking.

Last book read: 'How Full is Your Bucket' by Tom Rath and Donald Clifton.

Why I work at The Rock: Simply...I enjoy working with the staff, faculty and our students. Every day brings forth different experiences and new opportunities. I believe SRU is a special place that is filled with people who really care about the institution and especially our students. SRU has provided me personally with so many opportunities to explore which have expanded my own professional interests. This is a campus that upholds its vision about being a caring community of lifelong learners. I also think SRU is a very special place in the lives of our students and their families. Our faculty and staff are truly interested in making a difference in the lives of our students.

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