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Katie Loovis
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Katie Loovis' twenty-year career in public service includes leadership and management roles in business (GSK), government (The White House), and the nonprofit sector (Achieving the Dream) as well as with the national and a local chamber of commerce, and now the NC Community Colleges Foundation - a nonprofit organization that supports the mission of the NC Community College System.

Loovis is committed to workforce development and is currently earning her doctorate in community college leadership from NC State University (Ed.D. expected 2025). She is a graduate of the NC



Chamber's Talent Pipeline Management (TPM) Academy (2020) and is part of a group in Chapel Hill who launched a successful Registered Youth Apprenticeship Program in the skilled trades, called the Summer Careers Careers Academy.

Loovis serves on several nonprofit boards of directors, including as Vice Chair of 9/11 Day and Director of the UNC School of Government Foundation. She teaches nonprofit management as adjunct faculty at UNC-Chapel Hill - her alma mater, where she co-captained the UNC Women's Lacrosse Team.

Fun facts: Loovis, a master gardener (2015-2016), is passionate about plants. Her property in Chapel Hill (a four-acre woodland forest) was featured on the Chapel Hill Garden Club Tour (2024), in Chapel Hill Magazine, and by the NC Botanical Garden, and is now the primary location for Chapel Hill Retreat Center programming.