Who is reaching higher, stretching further and leaning farther in than ever to make great things happen? Meet the 2015 class of Delaware women who are leading us in new directions.

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**SHERYL F. KLINE**
*Professor and Chair*
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UD HRIM in the Alfred Lerner College of Business and Economics prepares students to be future hospitality business management leaders. Kline’s job is to educate and inspire them while performing research, guiding faculty and managing the department. “I have the opportunity to mentor many students,” Kline says. “My personal and professional satisfaction comes from seeing them become successful in their careers and life.” Her teaching has been acknowledged through several awards for innovation and excellence.

**On work-life balance:** “I don’t balance work and life. It is more about integrating the personal and professional responsibilities to create a beautiful pattern in life. Sometimes work responsibilities shape my life, and other times life dominates the shifting pattern.”

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**ARETHA MILLER**
*Chief Executive Officer*
*Community Education Building*

The CEB was created to transform urban K-12 education through partnerships by providing a home to several charter schools. The concept creates economies by sharing facilities, services and resources. Miller works with the CEB board to create and manage the strategic direction and a culture that reinforces core values. A lifelong educator, Miller was working in New York City when she got a recruiting call from the Longwood Foundation. Miller started last year with two schools, saw the arrival of another this year and is preparing for CEB’s fourth. Beyond that, “I would like to get our health and wellness program..."