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Rakiya Cunningham is currently pursuing her MBA at Stanford Graduate School of Business, where she is developing her skills as an aspiring strategic finance leader. Her connection to the Forty Acres began during her senior year of high school when she attended the Discover Yourself in Accounting Majors and Careers (DYNAMC) Camp at McCombs.Rakiya then graduated with a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin in 2018.

Prior to business school Rakiya's professional career began at Shell in Houston. She worked in finance across the value chain for five years and contributed to the broader U.S. Finance community. In her last role Rakiya served as the primary finance support for Shell's West Coast gas station business. Rakiya is also a Certified Public Accountant.

Rakiya's passion for McCombs and the Forty Acres runs deep, and she is excited to contribute to its continuing excellence by leveraging her experiences and insights gained throughout her academic and professional journey.