

Award Biography

Arizona's community colleges are vital to the state's CTE delivery system and workforce eco system. The 2024 CTE Post-Secondary Educator of the Year is Reetika Dhawan from Arizona Western College.

Reetika Dhawan is a dynamic leader in the field of education, and she is celebrated for her visionary leadership and transformative impact. With a rich academic background encompassing Physics and Applied Mathematics, Reetika's journey in education has been marked by an unwavering commitment to excellence and innovation.

As the Vice President of Workforce and Career Technical Education (CTE) at Arizona Western College, Reetika Dhawan has spearheaded initiatives that bridge the gap between education and industry, ensuring students are equipped with the skills necessary to thrive in today's rapidly evolving workforce. Her strategic vision and collaborative approach have led to the development of innovative programs that meet the needs of both students and employers. Beyond her role at Arizona Western College, Reetika has distinguished herself as a thought leader and influencer in the field of education. She has served on numerous boards, leveraging her expertise to shape policy and drive positive change within the education sector. Her contributions have been recognized with multiple awards.

In addition to her professional achievements, Reetika Dhawan is a passionate advocate for education and social impact. She believes deeply in the power of education to transform lives and communities and is committed to making a difference in the world. As the CEO of Entrepreneurial College, Reetika continues to inspire and empower the next generation of leaders, equipping them with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in an ever-changing world. As she continues to chart new paths and push the boundaries of educational innovation, Reetika remains a beacon of inspiration for educators and leaders worldwide.