

## ***Bryce J. Celotto, Bio 2020***

**Bryce J. Celotto (he/him)** is a Black, queer, transmasculine policy advocate, educator, facilitator, and writer with almost a decade of experience working at the intersections of race, class, sexuality, and gender in education and politics. Bryce has expertise in education equity, progressive policy, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion initiatives (DEI), Civil Rights history, and LGBTQ advocacy. He also has experience working on political campaigns and crafting messaging for socially just political causes. He has worked at nationally recognized LGBTQ non-profit organizations such as the National LGBTQ Task Force and the Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education Network (GLSEN) advancing inclusive non-discrimination and anti-bullying policy at the local, state and federal level. He has also served as a board member at the National Center For Transgender Equality, TransLaw, and the Massachusetts Commission for LGBTQ Youth.



In addition to his extensive experience in LGBTQ advocacy, Bryce is a dedicated educator and youth accomplice who has spent almost ten years working with marginalized young people in the community and in the classroom. Bryce has coordinated trainings on civic engagement, voting rights, immigration rights, and public health for high school-aged students across the country. Additionally, Bryce has taught middle school and high school students in urban public school districts with a focus on delivering high-quality, culturally relevant, project-based instruction in social studies and ethnic studies. Bryce has extensive experience in mentoring students and guiding them through the college application process, having previously served as a mentor for the Point Foundation and an alumni interviewer for Brown University. Outside the classroom, his facilitation experience includes leading professional development trainings for educators and direct service community workers. He has trained thousands of people nationwide on inclusive classroom practices, LGBTQ rights, policy guidance, and lobbying.

Bryce is an accomplished writer publishing both scholarly work and social commentary for many outlets including The Huffington Post, Point Foundation blog, URGE For Reproductive Justice blog, and others. His undergraduate senior thesis, which focused on federal education law and school desegregation in Washington, D.C. received the top departmental History prize in the Spring of 2016

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at his university. He received his Bachelor of Arts in History, *Magna Cum Laude*, from the Honors College at the University of Massachusetts at Boston along with his Master of Arts in Teaching from Brown University. He is a Point Foundation Scholar Alum, a Commonwealth Honors Scholar, and a member of several national collegiate academic honors societies.

Bryce is also a proud veteran of the U.S. military, serving four years in the Army National Guard. He is an outspoken advocate who has been featured in many major press outlets such as CNN, for his work advocating for open, inclusive transgender military service.