

**Doug Ross**  
**Special Advisor to the Governor for**  
**Michigan Prosperity**  
**State of Michigan**

Doug Ross was appointed by Governor Whitmer in February 2019 as the Governor's Senior Advisor for Michigan Prosperity. His dual charge is to lead the Governor's initiative to close the state's skill gap, and to work with the Governor to formulate and implement her Administration's economic development policies.

Ross has spent the last four decades working in the areas of economic development and education as a Michigan State Senator, Director of the Michigan Department of Commerce, U.S. Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training, and Founder of the University Prep charter schools in Detroit. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan, did graduate work in economics at the London School of Economics, and holds a degree in public policy from Princeton University.

