

### VITA (Outline Form)

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Lanier High School, 1988

Colleges attended:

Jackson State University 1988-1993	B.S., 1993
Cornell University 1995-1997	M.S., 1997
Jackson State University 2004-2008	Ph.D., 2008

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Delta Honor Society, 1989  
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Positions held

1993-1995	Teaching Assistant Chemistry Department Columbia University
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### VITA (Paragraph Form)

Vernon K. Smith was born in Harvey, Missouri in April 18, 1952. He graduated from Thornton High School in June, 1970. After two years of military service, he entered Harvey Community College, and later transferred to Rust College where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1972. He received the Master of Science in Education degree from Jackson State University in 1974. He then became a teacher of mathematics in Hernando High School, Hernando, Mississippi from 1974 to 1980. In 1980, he became a teacher of mathematics in the Jackson Public School System, and later, in 1985, an instructor in mathematics at Hinds Community College. In 1990, he was awarded the Ph.D. in Educational Administration, and joined the staff at Rust College as Academic Dean.

He was a John Hay Fellow at Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts during the summer of 1972. He has been awarded grants from the National Science Foundation in 1981 and 1982 for programs aimed at improving the performance of secondary school students in mathematics. In 1988, he served as a reader of proposals for the National Science Foundation.

He is the author of several articles which have appeared in the Mathematics Teacher, and his doctoral dissertation has been accepted for publication by the University Press of Mississippi.

He married the former Elizabeth Joyce Gray in 1974, and they are the parents of two sons and a daughter. He and his family reside at 2902 Marchall Street in Holly Springs, Mississippi