

PAB PUBLIC INFORMATION, FALL 2022 - 2023

The Planning Accreditation Board requires this information be posted for the *Masters in Urban & Regional Planning* program at Jackson State University, Jackson Mississippi.

2022-2023 Tuition and Fees

In State Residents, per full-time academic year	\$8,439.00 (See details below)
Out of State Residents, per full-time academic year	\$8,439.00 (See details below)

Jackson State University Tuition and Fees Sheet Academic Year 2022-2023 (Fall, Spring, Summer):
<https://www.jsums.edu/finance/files/2022/06/FY-22-23-Fees-Sheet.pdf>

Student Retention Rate

Percentage of students who began studies in fall 2021 and continued into fall 2022	95%
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Student Graduation Rate

Percentage of students graduating within 4 years, entering class of 2018	99%
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Number of Degrees Awarded

Number of degrees awarded for 2021-2022 Academic Year	4
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AICP Certification

Percentage of master's graduates taking the AICP exam within 3 years who pass, graduating class of 2018	0%
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Employment

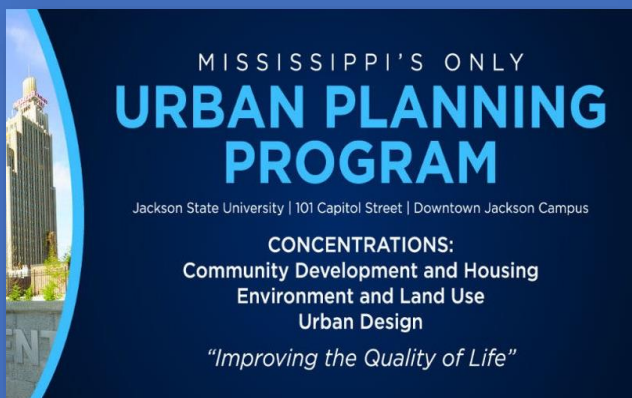
Percentage of all graduates obtaining professional planning, planning-related, or other positions within 12 months of graduation, graduating class of 2021	99%
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DEPARTMENT OF URBAN & REGIONAL PLANNING

SPOTLIGHTING DURP & STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



Welcome to the Department of Urban & Regional Planning (DCRP) at Jackson State University, located in historic Jackson, the capital of Mississippi. Jackson is known for true southern hospitality and nationally recognized institutions of higher learning.



- ✓ DURP graduates are trained to be knowledgeable, skilled and equity conscious practitioners, researchers, scholars, and decision-makers.
- ✓ DURP graduates are intellectually and technically equipped to confront sustainable development opportunities and challenges facing society in this century and beyond!

- ✓ DURP is the only urban and regional planning institution in the state of Mississippi and is one of four HBCU's in the nation offering accredited Urban Planning programs.
- ✓ DURP's premier, student-centered programs fosters engagement and empowerment as we diversify the field of Planning.
- ✓ DURP students specialize in:
 - ✚ Community Development & Housing
 - ✚ Environment & Land Use
 - ✚ Urban Design



Our mission:

- student-centered teaching and learning!
- empowerment of our people and communities
- equity and justice for all!
- building healthy, livable, and resilient societies!

Our mission:

Meet Our Full-time Faculty Members, 2022 - 2023



Joan M. Wesley, Ph.D.
Associate Professor

- Community Development & Housing
- Stakeholder Participation & Community Engagement
- Social Equity & Environmental Justice



Edmund Merem, Ph.D.
Professor

- Global Cities & International Development
- Climate Change, Environment & Land Use, food security, hydro-politics, energy resources, growth management, comp planning, forensic environmental ethics



Talya Thomas, Ph.D.
Associate Professor

- Community/Economic Development & Housing
- Environmental & Public Policy
- Food Security



Moe Chowdhury, Ph.D., AICP
Visiting Assistant Professor

- Urban Studies
- Transportation Planning
- Human Geography

Bernece S. Herbert, Ph.D.
Associate Professor & Chair



- Urban Structure & Sustainability
- Food Security & Under-resourced Communities
- Climate Change & Energy Justice



Firas Al-Douri, Ph.D.
Associate Professor

- Urban Design
- Architectural Computing
- Parametric Urban Modeling





2022 Joint Conference
Alabama & Mississippi Chapters - American Planning Association
October 23-26, 2022
Orange Beach, Alabama

Herbert, B. *Vulnerability & Resiliency Dimensions of MTS Infrastructure in the Deep South*. American Planning Association AL/MS Chapter Conference, October 2022

Stewart, L. *Public Outreach Vs. Budget and COVID: An Assessment of Metroplan's First Phase of Outreach During the Height of COVID on a Reduced Budget*, American Planning Association AL/MS Chapter Conference, October 2022



AL/MS APA Conference

From left to right (front): Dr. Herbert, Dr. Thomas & Satara Patrick (MA student)

From left to right (back): LaKesha Stewart, (PhD student), Christina Berry (Alumnae) & Lady Kassama (ALAPA representative)



JSU RESEARCH ENGAGEMENT WEEK: RESEARCH (POSTER) PRESENTATIONS:



Analysis of Climate Change Issues In Maryland's Southern Region. E C. Merem¹, Y Twumasi², J Wesley¹, M Crisler¹, D Olagbegi¹, G Hirse¹, J Offiah¹, P Isokpehi¹, Mo Alsarari¹ and Z Emakpor⁴
¹Department of Urban and Regional Planning, ³PPAD, and ⁴Environmental Science, Jackson State University, Jackson, MS 39211, U.S.A.
²Department of Urban Forestry and Natural Resources, Southern University, Baton Rouge, LA 70813, U.S.A



The Exposure to Carcinogens in Southeast Texas: An Evaluation of Hazardous Pollution and the Presence of Cancer Clusters Among Marginalized Communities in Houston, Texas, Genice Knight, Doctoral Candidate

Climate Change, Public Health and Community Resilience: The Role of Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Tabaris Smith & Jeran Herbert (Doctoral Candidates)

GHGs Emissions as an Indicator of Urban Sustainability: Relationship between Emissions Trends and Socio-Economic Characteristics of the US, Bernece S. Herbert, PhD; Joan M. Wesley, PhD; & Tayla D. Thomas, PhD

Spring 2023 Graduate Research Assistants:

Patryce Terrell:

- Project Title: Assessing Maritime Infrastructure along the Mississippi: Chokepoints and Implications for Food Security
- Funding source: Maritime Transportation Research & Education Center
- Supervisor: Berneece S. Herbert, PhD.

Olayemi Babalola:

- Project Title: Assessing Maritime Infrastructure along the Mississippi: Chokepoints and Implications for Food Security
- Funding source: Maritime Transportation Research & Education Center
- Supervisor: Berneece S. Herbert, PhD.

Carmeleta Guy:

- Internship with Revitalize Mississippi
- Funding source: Maritime Transportation Research & Education Center
- Supervisor: Talya Thomas, PhD.

Monica Harris:

- Project Title: Food Security & Sovereignty in the Delta: A Case Study of a Small Farm
- Funding source: Maritime Transportation Research & Education Center
- Supervisor: Berneece S. Herbert, PhD.

Shuhmarraka Johnson

- Funding source: Mississippi Urban Research Center
- Supervisor: Joan Wesley, PhD.

Tia Jackson

- Funding source: Mississippi Urban Research Center
- Supervisor: Joan Wesley, PhD.

Additional GRA funded:

Special project between DURP, Public Policy & UMMC. This position assists with the coordination of strategic plan discussions within the healthcare community for Children's of Mississippi at UMMC and the stakeholders impacted throughout the state.

Project Supervisors: Lorna Kernizan, Chief Operations Officer, UMMC & Berneece Herbert, PhD, DURP

Student: Shawanna Boyd, a doctoral student in Public Policy

Social Connectivity - Reconnecting with Big Rivers: A collaboration between Jackson State University (JSU) and the University of California Berkeley (UCB)



JSU/UC Berkeley Student Exchange

Project Investigators:

Bernece S. Herbert, PhD., Associate Professor & Chair
Urban & Regional Planning, JSU

G. Mathias Kondolf, PhD., Professor
Landscape Architecture & Environmental Planning,
UC Berkeley

Sponsored by MarTREC, JSU, the Farrand
Endowment Innovation Fund, Berkeley California, &
AAG Bridging the Digital Divide Grant, JSU

Project Objectives:

- Assess social connectivity along the Mississippi River in Vicksburg, a
- Tour the Ross Barnette Reservoir and examine flood issues in Jackson

Team:

- 12 students
- 3 faculty members
- 1 researcher
- 2 Army Corps of Engineers



FUTURE OF ENERGY PANEL DISCUSSION

THE FUTURE OF ENERGY

RENEWABLE IS THE NEW BLACK

16 JUNE - NOON-2 PM

JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

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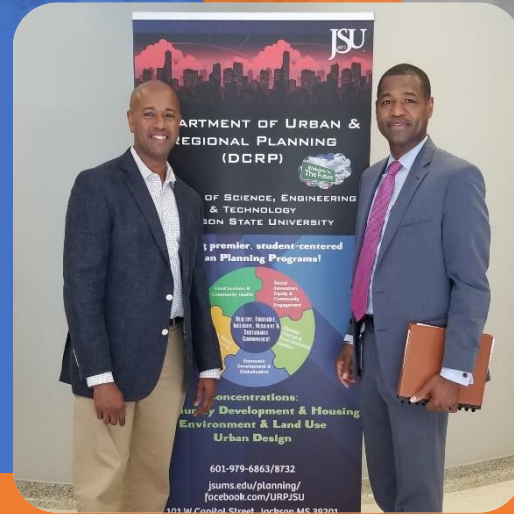
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ENERGY

JOIN US ON THE HISTORIC CAMPUS OF
JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY - DOWNTOWN CAMPUS
101 WEST CAPITOL STREET, JACKSON MS.

Key leaders in the industry will discuss and examine the possibilities of better, more sustainable energy for our community and the world.

Sponsored by Jackson State University's Department of Urban & Regional Planning (DURP) in the College of Science Engineering & Technology in conjunction with 2C Mississippi.

Funded by 2C Mississippi & Irby Construction



Left: Andre Foster, Irby Construction, Event Sponsor
Right, Dean, CSET

HOSTED BY: DEPARTMENT OF URBAN AND
REGIONAL PLANNING, JACKSON STATE
UNIVERSITY

SOUTHERN MANUFACTURING'S IMPACT ON JOBS AND COMMUNITY

A Panel Discussion about Worker Perspectives &
Community Voices on the Need to Improve Job Quality

FEBRUARY 24, 2023 | 11AM - 1PM CST

Featuring:

REPORT AUTHORS

Berneece Herbert, Ph.D.
Jackson State University

Emily Erickson, Ph.D.
University of Warwick

ACADEMIC REVIEWERS

Valerie Rawlston Wilson, Ph.D.
Economic Policy Institute

Robert Korstad, Ph.D.
Duke University

David Anderson, Ph.D.
Louisiana Tech University

COMMUNITY ADVOCATES

Erica Iheme
Jobs to Move America

Sanchioni Butler
Mississippi Association of Educators

Scott Douglas
Greater Birmingham Ministries

Jackson State University

College of Science, Engineering, and Technology (CSET) Auditorium
1807 John R. Lynch St
Jackson, MS 39203

SUPPORTED BY: W.K. KELLOGG FOUNDATION &
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Program

I. Welcome and Introductions

Wilbur L. Walters Jr., PhD, Dean, Jackson State University
Paula Collins-Sammons, W.K. Kellogg Foundation
Berneece S. Herbert, Ph.D, Jackson State University

II. Report of Findings

Report authors

Berneece S. Herbert, Ph.D, Jackson State University
Emily Erickson, Ph.D University of Warwick

III. Panel Discussion

Academic reviewers

Valerie Rawlston Wilson, Ph.D, Economic Policy Institute
Robert Korstad, Ph.D, Duke University
David Anderson, Ph.D, Louisiana Tech University

Community advocates

Erica Iheme, Jobs to Move America
Sanchioni Butler, Mississippi Association of Educators
Scott Douglas, Greater Birmingham Ministries

IV. Question and Answer Session

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V. Concluding Remarks

VI. Networking Lunch

Scan the QR code to access the report,
*Job Quality and Community Well-Being in
Mississippi and Alabama's Manufacturing Facilities*



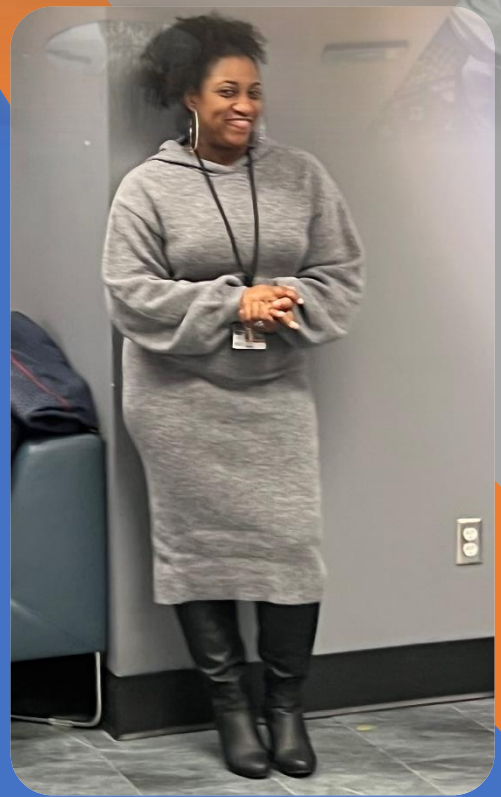


JSU DEPARTMENT OF URBAN
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THANKS GIVING *Dinner*

Thurs. Nov. 17, 2022

6:00-9:00PM
101 West Capitol Street
Downtown Jackson, MS 39201

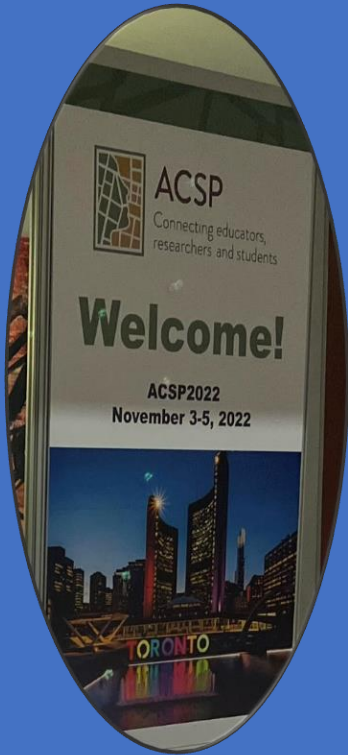


ACSP CONFERENCE – TORONTO CANADA



ACSP

Connecting educators,
researchers and students



The Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) is a consortium of more than 100 university departments and programs offering planning degrees as well as programs that offer degrees affiliated with planning.

ACSP connects educators, researchers, and students, to advance knowledge about planning education and research.

ACSP is committed to promoting the field of planning as a diverse global community that works collectively toward healthy, equitable, and sustainable neighborhoods, cities, and regions.



Dr. Berneece Herbert, Associate Professor & Chair, Department of Urban & Regional Planning is the ACSP Board's Southeast Regional Representative for 2021 - 2023



APA National Conference Attendees – Philadelphia, PA, April 1 – 4, 2022

- Patryce Terrell, doctoral candidate
- Tabaris Smith, doctoral candidate
- Jeran Herbert, doctoral candidate
- Lucy Erwin, master’s student



Panelists:

- Ms. Chloe Dotson, Planning Director, City of Jackson
- Ms. Ester Ainsworth, Zoning Administrator, City of Jackson MS
- Dr. Robbie Smith, Manager, Office of Housing and Community Development, Department of Planning, City of Jackson MS
- Mr. Brandon Morey, VP of Tax Credit, Mississippi Home Corporation



DURP Staff:
Left to right, Dr. Berneece Herbert, Chair, Ms. Daphne Moore, Student Development Coordinator, & Ms. Tamara Preston, Office Manager.



Moderator: Ms. Amanda Beard (MA, 2022/2023 graduate)

STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS

Spotlighting Ni'cholas Johnson

As a community development liaison for the Rural Partners Network, which brings federal and local civic partners together to help foster economic prosperity, RD employee Ni'cholas Johnson helps to strengthen rural communities in southern Georgia.

He works directly with community representatives in the region to help them assess their needs and then find funding sources to meet those needs.

For example, he can help communities learn about Rural Business Development Grants designed to help people develop or expand small and emerging businesses in rural communities. And if RD doesn't offer a specific funding opportunity that aligns with a community's need or focus, Johnson can connect the community with a partner agency that does.



Tabaris Smith, Senior Program Manager, Special Projects

Tabaris Smith is the Senior Program Manager, Special Projects at Emerald Cities Collaborative. He develops strategies to demonstrate the value of Minority, Women, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises participating in clean energy and infrastructure projects that support small contractors to decarbonize America's building stock in cities including Chicago, DC, California, Boston, and Seattle. Smith is passionate about building strategic partnerships to support disadvantaged communities. He has been an organizer on local, statewide, and national campaigns including that of North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper. In addition, Tabaris has been named a Young, Gifted & Green 40 under 40 awardee, which is an annual list of BIPOC environmental justice leaders under the age of 40 from across the U.S. who are grappling with complex solutions to solve the Climate Crisis and dismantle Environmental Racism. Smith holds a Master's in Urban and Regional Planning from Alabama A&M University and is pursuing a Ph.D. in Urban Regional Planning with a concentration in Community Development and Housing.



SPOTLIGHTING GRADUATES: FALL 2022 – SPRING 2023



Jon-Vincent Holden is a native of Jackson, MS. Son of Vincent Holden and Suzette Terry. Jon-Vincent received his Doctorate in Urban Planning and Regional Development with an emphasis in Environmental Land Use. He plans to use his degree to make his community better. Special thanks must go to Dr. Herbert and everyone that helped Jon-Vincent. He would not have been on this side of the program if it wasn't for his Chair and committee members.



Genice V. Knight, Ph.D., MSL, BBA, is a highly educated individual who has dedicated her life to learning and growing personally and professionally. As a native of Holmes County and a graduate of Jacob J. McClain High School, Genice began her journey at Hinds Community College. After two years, she transferred to Thee Jackson State University, earning a BA in Business with a Concentration in Marketing in 2009. She later acquired a MA in Leadership from Belhaven University (2012). In 2023, Genice received her Doctor of Philosophy in Urban and Regional Planning with a concentration in

Environmental and Land Use from THEE Jackson State University in the College of Science Engineering and Technology (CSET). Genice is a JSU National Alumni Association member and a Belhaven Alumni member of the Epsilon Pi Tau- Jackson State University Honor Society, The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, Alpha Epsilon Lambda, Golden Key Honor Society, and Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society. She is a Blacks Chapel Missionary Baptist Church member and a part of the Women's Choir. Genice loves nature, traveling, and spending time with family and friends. Genice has three daughters Jerrica Hughes, Ke'Ayonna Gray (Son-in-law), Marquise Gray, and Jessica Anderson. She has four grandchildren who are the flame of her soul. Dallas Grace Palmer, Joise Makeli Hicks, Marquise Gray Jr, and Naomi Leigh Grace Wells.

*Always have a plan, and believe in it.
Nothing happens by accident.*

Chuck Knox



Amanda Beard is a 2022 Fall graduate of the Urban and Regional Planning Master's Program. She currently holds the position of Student Representative for the APA Mississippi Chapter. Originally from Virginia Beach, VA, she has traveled over 2000 miles to start her career in store design. Over the past six years, she has been working in-store design for Walmart Home Office—located in Bentonville, AR—where she has applied her dual disciplinary degrees of Landscape Architecture and Urban and Regional Planning to her workspace. Allowing the two to coexist in her work elevating the needs of the customer by providing solutions towards equity, sustainability, community engagement, and policy and planning. She hopes to promote her knowledge and skills into a new role directly working with diversity, equity, and inclusion.

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