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**Employment Objective:** To teach and research areas in Communication such as Public speaking Interpersonal Communication, Intercultural Communication, Organizational Communication, Small Group Communication and African-American Oratory.

## **EDUCATION:**

Ph.D., Speech Communication University of Southern Mississippi Hattiesburg, Mississippi G.P.A. 4.0 May, 1990

M.A., Speech Communication Western Michigan University Kalamazoo, Michigan G.P.A. 4.0

B.A., English Literature University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana, Illinois

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES:**

Associate Professor (tenured) Speech Communication Department of Speech and Dramatic Art Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi 1985-present

Visiting Professor African-American Studies African-American Studies Department University of Mississippi Oxford, Mississippi Teaching Assistant Speech Communication Department School of Communication University of Southern Mississippi Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Assistant Education Director Friends of Children of Mississippi Jackson, Mississippi

Editor, Magazine Sunbelt: Black Life in Mississippi Jackson, Mississippi

Instructor African-American Literature Valparaiso University Valparaiso, Indiana

#### **PUBLICATIONS:**

Journal Article

"Whenever and Whereever I Enter, My Whole Race Enters With Me" A Case Study in Accountability: T.J. Huddleston and the African-American Sons and Daughters Fraternal Order and Hospital (first black hospital in the State of Mississippi) The Jackson State University Researcher Special Edition by the Institute of Epidemiology and Health Services Research Fall, 2003

Journal Article *"The Mississippi Man and His Message: A Rhetorical Analysis of the Cultural Themes in the Oratory of Medgar Wiley Evers: 1957-1963"* The Jackson State University Researcher An Interdisciplinary Journal Summer, 2002; Vol XVIII; No. 1

Anthology "The History and Development of Black Protest Rhetoric" (unpublished) Summer, 1992

Dissertation The Mississippi Man and His Message: A Rhetorical Analysis of the Cultural Themes in the Oratory of Medgar Wiley Evers: 157-1963 May 1990 Editor Sunbelt: Black Life In Mississippi 1977-1980 Video Tape "Ebonics, An Analysis of Black Dialect" Western Michigan University

#### **PAPERS:**

"A Noose Is Not Funny" – A Rhetorical Analysis of the Oratory of Ida B. Wells-Barnett: Activist, Orator and Anti-Lynching Crusader, In her speech entitled: Lynching, Our National Crime, 1909 Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists National Conference Greensburough, North Carolina March, 2008

"Whenever and Whereever I Enter, My Whole Race Enters With Me" – A Case Study in Accountability: T.J. Huddleston and the African-American Sons and Daughters Fraternal Order and Hospital Institute of Epidemiology and Health Services First Annual Conference Department of Public Health Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi October 10-11, 2002

*"The Blues: Self-Disclosure for Survival"* Association of social and Behavioral Scientists Conference Savannah, Georgia March, 2002

"The Mississippi Man and His Message: A Rhetorical Analysis of the Cultural Themes in the Oratory of Medgar Wiley Evers: 1957-1963" Southern and Central States Speech Communication Association Conference Lexington, Kentucky April, 1993

"Seeking Alternatives to Violence and Moral Decay Through Oral History Research, Analysis, and Documentation: Communication with the Elders" Conference of Minority Teaching Fellows Mississippi Urban Research Center April, 1996 "The Powerful Oppressed: A Study of African-American Female Leaders in Jackson, Mississippi" Jackson State University in Conjunction with Rutgers University March, 1995

"The Effects of Mass Medicated Messages on Popular Culture" 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Mass Communication Conference Mass Communication Department Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi March, 1993

*"Including the African-American in the Speech Communication Curriculum"* Mississippi Speech Communication Association Annual Conference Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi February, 1990

"Historical/Critical Research Methods and the Mississippi Researcher" 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Research Conference on the Experiences of Black Mississippians Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi April, 1989

#### **ACTIVITIES AND GRANTS:**

Internship Director Department of Speech Communication and Theatre Jackson State University 2008-present

Toastmistress 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Founders Day Banquet Jackson State University November, 2002

Certificate of Completion Faculty Leadership Conference: *"The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People"* Stephen R. Covey Jackson State University October, 2002

Oratorical Director Jack and Jill of American – Jackson, Mississippi Chapter 2000-present Education and Oratorical Advisor Ms. Chapter of Elks Grace Jones Temple Jackson, Mississippi 2008-2009

Summer Research Grant (\$7,000.00) Institute of Epidemiology and Health Services Research Department of Public Health Jackson State University June, 2002

Mentor and Chaperone to Undergraduates Undergraduate Student Paper Competition/Student Papers Association of Social and Behavioral Sciencists Annual Conferences March, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2002

Narrator *"A Christmas to Remember"* Christmas Cantata Cade Chapel M.B. Church December 1999, 2002

Faculty Development Grant (\$4,000.00) Office of Academic Affairs Jackson State University June, 1995

Chairperson Communicative Festival of the Arts Statewide Forensic Competition Jackson State University February, 1992

Faculty Development Grant (\$3,000.00) Lilly Foundation and Faculty Development Division Developed Course: "The History and Development of Black Protest Rhetoric" June, 1992

Chairperson Mississippi Baptist Regional Conference Youth Division – Public Speaking Competition June, 2000 Guest Speaker Annual Valentine Banquet Cade Chapel M.B. Church February, 2000 Workshop – Public Speaking Jack and Jill of America, Inc. March, 1999

Organized and Developed Cade Chapel M.B. Church Youth Speech Choir September, 1998, 1999

Project Coordinator "Digging the Afro-American Past: Archeology and the Black Experience" Afro-American Studies Department University of Mississippi Oxford, Mississippi March, 1989

## **HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS:**

Spotlight on Scholars Award Liberal Arts Division Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi 1994

Outstanding Teacher Award Honors Division Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi 1991

Citation for High Scholastic Achievement African-American Student Association University of Southern Mississippi Hattiesburg, Mississippi 1990

## **UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE COMMITTEES:**

Margaret Walker Alexander National Research Center Member and Membership Chairman Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi 1998-2007

Alpha Chi National College Honor Society Faculty Sponsor Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi 1996-200

Research Committee Chairperson Department of Speech and Dramatic Art Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi 1997-1998

Jackson State University Faculty Senator Department of Speech and Dramatic Art Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi 1995

Scholarship and Awards Committee Chairperson Department of Speech and Dramatic Art Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi 1995, 1996

University Curriculum Committee Vice Chairperson Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi 1992-1995

University Curriculum Committee Chairperson Screening Committee Jackson State University Jackson, Mississippi 1992-1995 Search Committee Vice President for Academic Affairs University of Southern Mississippi Hattiesburg, Mississippi 1989

#### **MEMBERSHIPS:**

Alpha Chi National Honor Society

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority

Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists - Member

Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists Board of Directors – (2000-2002)

Cade Chapel M.B. Church

Cade Chapel M.B. Church Youth Division

**Civil Rights Documentation Project** 

Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society

Jackson Association of Gifted Students

Margaret Walker Alexander National Research Center – Member and Administrative Board of Directors – 1998 – present

Mississippi Association of Gifted Students

Mississippi Community Foundation

Mississippi Community Foundation Board of Directors - 1994

Mississippi Community Foundation National Planning Committee "Mississippi Homecoming 1994: Freedom Summer, 1964 Revisited

National Association of Speech Communication

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

SERVE National Consortium for Science and Mathematics Education

Member and Board Member (1994-1995)

University of Illinois National Alumni Association

Western Michigan University National Alumni Association

# **OTHER ACTIVITIES:**

Consultant University Faculty Textbook Review Committee *"Introduction to Afro-American Studies: A People's College Primer"* Northeastern University Boston, Massachusetts

Consultant Research and Documentation Program African-American Studies Development University of Mississippi Oxford, Mississippi

#### **REFERENCES AVAILABLE REQUEST**