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EDUCATION

**University of Texas at Dallas-Doctoral Program
Richardson, TX**

Major: Humanities-Aesthetic Studies

Grambling State University-Master of Arts (1997)

Grambling, LA

Major-Literature

Grambling State University-Bachelor of Science (1996)

Grambling, LA

Major-English Education

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Eastfield College, Mesquite, TX 2006-2010-Permanent Full-Time

Eastfield College, Mesquite, TX 2005-2006-Visiting Scholar

Eastfield College, Mesquite, TX, 2004-2005-Academic Advisor

Richland College, Dallas, TX, 2002-2004-Adjunct Instructor

Brookhaven College, Farmers Branch, 2002-2004-Adjunct Instructor

Paul Quinn College, Dallas TX 1998-2002-Full-Time

Edward Livingston Middle School, New Orleans, LA- 1998

Grambling Middle Magnet-Grambling, LA-1996-1997 Substitute

COURSES TAUGHT

English 1301 & English 1302, Eastfield College

English 1301 & English 1302, Brookhaven College

English 1301 & English 1302, Richland College

American Literature, Eastfield College

English 101 & 102, Paul Quinn College

Developmental Writing, Paul Quinn College

World Literature, Paul Quinn College

Speech and Drama, Paul Quinn College

Language Arts & AP Language Arts, Edward Livingston Middle School

Language Arts, Grambling Middle Magnet

PRESENTATIONS/READINGS

Literary Festival (EFC)- J. California Cooper, Short Story (2010)

African American Read-In (EFC) "Don't Let Them See You Cry" (2010)

Teen Graffiti-Keepin It Real “Backpack Essentials for Higher Learning” (2009 & 2010)
Upward Bound-“Backpack Essentials for Higher Learning (Summer 2010)
Eastfield College-New Student Orientation “College Survival 101” (2006, 2007, 2008)
NCTE “My Student Teacher, Your Teacher” (1997)

COMMITTEES

The Alternative (2009-Present)
Ad Hoc Appeals Committee (2010)
District English Curriculum Committee 2009-Present)
Literary Arts Festival (2009-Present)
Faculty Search Committee (2007)
TACRAO College Fair (2005-2007)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Union Gospel Fellowship, “Father’s Day”
Lee Tabernacle, Clothing Donations (2010)
KMB-“Keep Mesquite Beautiful, Trash Bash” (2006-2010)
St. Vincent de Paul-Volunteer (2009)
Willow Bend Nursing Home Sock Campaign (2006)
Larissa’s Closet Prom Dress Drive (2007-2008)
Broohaven Nursing Home (bi-weekly visits)

PUBLICATIONS

Perspectives: A Rhetorical Reader (2010)
“Through My Brother’s Eyes” (The Alternative)
“The Strangest Feeling” (The Alternative)
“The Happiest Death” (The Alternative)
“In Your Eyes, In Your Spirit, In Your Life” (Western Reading Services)
“Man in My Dreams” (Online)
“Untitled” (Online)

RESEARCH PAPERS

“Between the Sacred and the Profane: Shamanic Calling and Initiation”
“Academic Advisement: A Multiple Reality”
“Women in the Pulpit: Deconstructing the Master Narrative”
“The Victimized Minority in the Media”
“Farewell to the Flesh: The Ritual of Mardi Gras”
“The Painted Bird: Survival of the Fittest”
“Judaism and Christianity: Conflicting Views of Forgiveness”
“Black English: Language or Dialect”
“Gustave Flaubert:
“Jonathan Swift and Satire”
“Female Genital Mutilation: The Detrimental Health Risks of Joining Society”
“Alexander Pope”
To Kill a Mocking Bird
“Alice Walker: Master of Black, Oppressive Circumstances”

“Autism: Existence in Another World”
“Edgar Allen Poe: The Philosophy of Composition”
“Time and Space in Toni Morrison’s *The Bluest Eye*”
“William Faulkner”
“MacBeth: The Unnatural”
“Der Blonde Eckbert: Paradise Lost”
“Tennessee Williams: A Fragile Life Revisited”
“Tennessee Williams: The Essence of Loneliness”

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Gamma Beta Phi
Kappa Delta Pi
Sigma Tau Delta
NCTE/CCCC
Texas Folklore Society
Faculty Association
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.