



# HEADWAE

2018-2019



HIGHER EDUCATION APPRECIATION DAY  
WORKING FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE  
FEBRUARY 26, 2019



The Honorable

# Delbert Hosemann

Secretary of State of Mississippi  
(Keynote Speaker)

Elected in November 2007, the Honorable Delbert Hosemann serves as Mississippi's eighth Secretary of State since 1900. He was re-elected to his third term in Office in 2015.

Secretary Hosemann is committed to serving the public with open and fair government. In the short time since he was elected, he has worked tirelessly to ensure the integrity of Mississippi's vote, ethically manage state lands to guarantee the future for our children, and make our State more business-friendly and attractive for economic development.

In his spare time, Secretary Hosemann is an avid hunter and marathoner. He has completed both the New York Marathon and the Boston Marathon and represented Mississippi in the Senior Olympics.

Raised in Warren County, Mississippi, Secretary Hosemann comes to the position with a background in Business and Taxation Law. He has his undergraduate degree in Business from Notre Dame, a law degree from Ole Miss, and a Master of Laws in Taxation from New York University. He is a former partner of Phelps Dunbar, LLP. Secretary Hosemann also served his country in the United States Army Reserves.

Delbert has been married to his wife, Lynn, for 48 years. They are extremely proud of their three children: Kristen, Chad, and Mark; and grandchildren Grace, Nora Lynn, Carson, Charlie, Manse, Charlotte, and Howard Delbert.

# Agenda

**Mr. Kell Smith**

**Director of Communications and Legislative Services**

**Mississippi Community College Board**

**Master of Ceremonies**

Welcome/Opening Remarks

Dr. Alfred Rankins, Jr.  
Commissioner of Higher Education  
Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning

Invocation

Mr. Kell Smith

## LUNCH

Introduction of Guests

Mr. Smith

Introduction of Speaker

Dr. Rankins

**Keynote Speaker**

**THE HONORABLE DELBERT HOSEMAN**

**SECRETARY OF STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

Remarks on Behalf of the House of Representatives

Representative Greg Holloway  
Vice Chair, Universities and Colleges

Remarks on Behalf of the Senate

Senator Josh Harkins  
Chair, Universities and Colleges

Recognition of Corporate Sponsors

Dr. Susan P. Lee  
Associate Commissioner for Academic  
and Student Affairs, MS Institutions of Higher Learning  
Secretary-Treasurer, Mississippi Association of Colleges  
and Universities

Honoree Recognitions

Ms. Gloria J. Miller  
Director of Student Services  
MS Institutions of Higher Learning  
Chair, HEADWAE Steering Committee

Remarks

Dr. Shawn Mackey  
Deputy Executive Director for Programs  
and Accountability  
Mississippi Community College Board

Remarks

Dr. E. Harold Fisher  
Executive Director, Mississippi Association of  
Independent Colleges and Universities

Closing Remarks

Dr. Adam Breerwood  
President, Pearl River Community College  
President, Mississippi Association of Colleges and  
Universities

Adjournment

**Honorees Photo Session – Canterbury Room**



PHIL BRYANT  
GOVERNOR

February 26, 2019

Dear Friends:

As Governor of the State of Mississippi, I am pleased to welcome you to the Mississippi Association of Colleges and Universities 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Higher Education Appreciation Day, Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE). I commend the students and faculty being honored at this year's event and look forward to your influence on our state's future.

Recognizing the hard work and dedication of those working in higher education in our state is both an honor and a necessity. While we certainly support instructors and students at colleges and universities, I am especially proud of our strides in supporting students of education. They are tomorrow's teachers and will be instrumental in leading Mississippi's education system to ever higher heights.

The work of the Mississippi Association of Colleges and Universities creates a positive impact on our entire state, and I appreciate your dedication to promoting scholarship and lifelong excellence. Mississippi is a better place thanks to your leadership and vision.

I welcome you to Jackson and to your state capital. I wish the organizers, the students, faculty, and guests a very successful event.

Sincerely,

Phil Bryant  
Governor



State of Mississippi  
Office of the Lieutenant Governor  
TATE REEVES  
Lieutenant Governor



The Honorable Tate Reeves  
Lieutenant Governor  
State of Mississippi

February 26, 2019

Dear HEADWAE Honorees:

As Lieutenant Governor of Mississippi, it is my honor to welcome you to the State Capitol today to acknowledge your many contributions to higher education. I want to thank each of the honorees, students, and faculty members for your outstanding commitment to academic achievement.

Our institutions of higher learning have invested in these bright young leaders, and today, I want to extend my congratulations for your success. I applaud your commitment to excellence and continued determination, which is truly making an impact on our state's educational system, and improving our state's workforce and overall economy. Your many commitments to academic achievement, campus leadership, and community service have all contributed to the success that has brought you here today.

Thank you for your efforts in helping continue to move Mississippi forward. Again, it is my pleasure to congratulate you on your significant accomplishments, and I wish you great success in all of your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tate Reeves".

Tate Reeves  
Lieutenant Governor



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February 26, 2019

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the City of Jackson, we would like to extend a warm welcome to you to the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Higher Education Appreciation Day, Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE). Welcome!

This occasion symbolizes the commitment of faculty, staff and students excelling in the pursuit of academic achievement. The city joins me in congratulating our distinguished honorees.

It is imperative that the City of Jackson continues to support efforts that recognize the tremendous work, dedication and service of individuals in higher education. I proudly applaud our state's institutions of higher learning for investing in the future of the citizens. We are also committed to investing in opportunities for creative initiatives that spark the fire of education in people of all ages across our community.

Again, welcome to the City of Jackson! Best wishes for a memorable event.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Chokwe A. Lumumba". The signature is fluid and stylized, with the first and last names being more prominent.

Chokwe A. Lumumba, Esq.  
City of Jackson  
Mayor





**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING**

Alfred Rankins, Jr., Ph.D.  
Commissioner of Higher Education

February 26, 2019



Dear HEADWAE Honorees:

Welcome to the Higher Education Appreciation Day—Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE) Luncheon as we celebrate its 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary. It is my pleasure to congratulate the students and faculty members selected to represent their institutions for this important occasion.

Created through legislation introduced by Representative Cecil Simmons, this day is set aside to recognize outstanding faculty members and students from each college in the state, including public universities, public community colleges and private institutions.

The students and faculty selected for this honor have excelled academically and sought opportunities to make a difference outside the confines of the classroom. They have provided leadership and served others, both on campus and in the community. Today's honorees have made a tremendous impact and we know they will continue to set and achieve lofty goals.

I would also like to thank Secretary of State Delbert Hosemann for delivering the keynote address. He is committed to creating a brighter future for Mississippi by ensuring that the state is business-friendly and appealing to economic development. Secretary Hosemann understands the vital role higher education plays in economic development. He was the driving force behind the Strengthening Mississippi Academic Research Through Business (SMART) Act, which allows Mississippi businesses who enter into a new research agreement with a Mississippi public university or research corporation to receive a maximum rebate equal to \$1,000,000. This has helped facilitate numerous partnerships and I appreciate his commitment to advancing the state.

Again, congratulations to all the honorees. I hope this day will be one you will remember fondly for many years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alfred Rankins, Jr.".

Alfred Rankins, Jr., Ph.D.  
Commissioner of Higher Education



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February 26, 2019

Dear HEADWAE Honoree:

Congratulations on receiving this prestigious honor! You are considered among the best and brightest in Mississippi's higher education system.

Student honorees have invested wisely in the future. Whatever career aspirations you have, you are positioning yourself to be successful.

Faculty honorees have invested much time, and energy to prepare students for their futures. Your servant leadership and passion for teaching makes a difference in the lives of people.

I offer special recognition and appreciation to our event sponsors. Sponsor support demonstrates commitment to the future of our state. I am appreciative of the Mississippi Legislature for their role in making higher education a priority.

Finally, I hope that each honoree will make Mississippi your permanent home. Our state is blessed to have a creative and intelligent citizenry, and the future of our state depends on bright, energetic people like you.

Again, congratulations to each honoree and good luck in the future!

Sincerely,

Dr. Andrea Mayfield





**MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT  
COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**

February 26, 2019

On behalf of the seven independent colleges and universities, I join our colleagues in the higher education community in expressing our gratitude to the Mississippi Legislature for establishing and continuing a program which recognizes and encourages excellence in higher education. There are many outstanding faculty and students in our colleges and universities who often go unnoticed and sometimes feel unappreciated. The program has served as another way to recognize and express appreciation to all faculty, staff, and students who have excelled in their various academic pursuits.

Congratulations to the faculty and student honorees that are recognized this year. Each is to be commended for setting a worthy example for all who are interested in and support academic excellence. We express appreciation for your dedication, commitment, and determination to develop your talents and abilities in such outstanding ways. It is our hope that you will continue to excel and successfully invest yourselves in your academic pursuits and service to others.

The continued development of our state is directly related to the quality of its leadership. We are grateful to the members of the legislature who recognize and support excellence as found in our institutions of higher learning and deeply appreciate their efforts in establishing The Higher Education Appreciation Day-Working for Academic Excellence Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "E. Harold Fisher". The signature is written in a cursive style.

E. Harold Fisher, Executive Director  
Mississippi Association of Independent  
Colleges and Universities

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATURE

The Higher Education Appreciation Day, Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE) was established by the Mississippi Legislature to honor academically talented students and faculty members who have made outstanding contributions by promoting leadership and excellence on campuses and in their communities. The Appreciation Day is our way of saying “thank you” for their commitment to the future of Mississippi. It is an honor and a privilege for the Legislature to recognize the HEADWAE honorees for their outstanding achievements. We wish them every success as they pursue their personal and professional goals.





# HEADWAE HONOREES

## 2018 - 2019

INSTITUTION	STUDENT HONOREE	FACULTY HONOREE
Alcorn State University	Coranisha Luella Warren	Robert Carlen Sizemore
Belhaven University	Patricia Josephine Womack	Yusufu Jinkiri
Blue Mountain College	Lauren Ashley Collins	Alana Delise Teague
Coahoma Community College	Yasmine Kimya Harper	Barbara N Boschert
Copiah-Lincoln Community College	Geovani Lara	Praveen Ramaraju
Delta State University	Charles Eugene King	Jonathan Edward Westfall
East Central Community College	Mayowa Asagunla	Pam Crowell
East Mississippi Community College	Jordan Brooke White	Shannon Pendergrass
Hinds Community College	Hezekiah Henry Williams	Dan J Fuller
Holmes Community College	Hallie McKinley Westbrook	Lisa Anglin
Itawamba Community College	Makaela Noelle Dickerson	Nathaniel Gene Ward
Jackson State University	Malik Martez Nelson	Nicholas John Hill
Jones County Junior College	Shivum Desai	Eric Shows
Meridian Community College	Dunnam Odis Shirley	Valerie Stidam Bishop
Millsaps College	Caiying (Catherine) Zhang	Brent E Hendrixson
Mississippi College	Anthony Pierre' Jackson	John Travis
Mississippi Delta Community College	Jaylan LaShun Woods	Elizabeth McCool Scrivner
Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College	Riley Hope Brown	Jennifer Barnes Moffett
Mississippi State University	Mayah Emerson	James Andrew Dunne
Mississippi University for Women	Demyia Roseana Graham	Dee Anne Larson
Mississippi Valley State University	Donovan Deandre Brownlee	Micah Rueber
Northeast Mississippi Community College	Trevin Hall Moore	Robbie Rogers Coleman
Northwest Mississippi Community College	William Joshua Wood	Elizabeth Swayze Harvey
Pearl River Community College	Alphonso Wright	Aaryn Ward Purvis
Reformed Theological Seminary	Step Morgan	Jennings Ligon Duncan
Rust College	Aundre Fletcher, Jr.	Wonso White Hayes
Southeastern Baptist College	Zechariah Rogers	Rosemary Finney Davis
Southwest Mississippi Community College	William Craig Battle	Joyce Jones Mabry
Tougaloo College	Mikayla Olivia Johnson	Kedra Laverne James
University of Mississippi	Edward Elam Miller	Ann Elizabeth Monroe
University of Mississippi Medical Center	Megan Poirrier Ladner	Shamsi Daneshvari Berry
University of Southern Mississippi	Corai E Jackson	Davin J Wallace
Wesley Biblical Seminary	Preston White	Chris Lohrstorfer
William Carey University	Priscilia Jay Renard	Janie Pittman Bower

# ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY

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LORMAN, MS  
INTERIM PRESIDENT: DONZELL LEE, JR.



**CORANISHA LUELLA WARREN**

*Senior*

*Biology, Pre-Physical Therapy*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Presidential Scholar; Achieve Scholarship; NASA Scholarship; Outstanding Academic Performance Award; Outstanding Junior Academic Partial Scholarship

**College Honors Held:** Tri-Beta; Biology Leadership Award; President, Biology Club; National Society of Leadership and Success; Golden Key; Sigma Chi IOTA; Campus Activity Board; Magnificent Trainer Award

**Career Goals:** My short-term career goal is to become a physical therapist in a rural area and to work with a high school football team. My long-term career goal is to work as a physical therapist with a professional NFL or NBA team. After I've been a physical therapist for 10 years, I plan to start a Physical Therapy Scholarship Program at Alcorn State University.

**High School:** Tylertown High School, Tylertown, MS

**Family Information:** Mother: Cora Johnson

**Hometown:** Tylertown, MS



**ROBERT CARLEN SIZEMORE**

*Professor, Biology*

*Years of service at this institution: 22 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 38*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS, Zoology, University of KY, 1973

**Graduate:** MS, Microbiology, University of KY, 1975; PhD, Microbiology & Immunology, University of Louisville School of Medicine, 1982; Postdoctoral, University of MS Medical Center, 1982-1984

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Phylogeny of Lymphocyte Heterogeneity: The Cellular Requirements for In Vitro Mitogenic Responses of Channel Catfish Leucocytes.; HIV Retrotransposon Activity and the Immunopathogenesis of AIDS; Modulation of Delayed-Type Hypersensitivity Responses in Hairless Guinea Pigs by Peptides Derived from Enkephalin.

**Professional Affiliations:** MS Association of Governmental Accountants; The PhD Project, Faculty Association American Economic Development Council; Academy of Financial Services; Society of Business, Industry and Economics

**Civic Activities:** Authored or co-authored numerous productions, Natchez Festival of Music and MS Bicentennial Production; Performed in several movies and t.v. shows; Wrote and performed musical score, Natchez Little Theatre performances; Santa Claus, City of Natchez

**Family Information:** Spouse: Katherine Killelea Sizemore; Children: Katherine Peel Sizemore and Robert Carlen Sizemore, Jr.

**Hometown:** Ashland, KY



# BELHAVEN UNIVERSITY

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JACKSON, MS  
PRESIDENT: ROGER PARROTT



**PATRICIA JOSEPHINE WOMACK**

*Senior  
Social Work*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.8 GPA; Phi Alpha

**Career Goals:** To become an associate within a psychiatric residential treatment facility

**High School:** Woodstock High School, Woodstock, GA

**Family Information:** Father: Edward Womack

**Hometown:** : Woodstock, GA



**YUSUFU JINKIRI**

*Professor, Business Administration*

*Years of service at this institution: 20 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 22*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Graduate:** MA, Theology, Wheaton College, 1990; PhD, Economics, University of CT, 1983

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Reviewer, “International Business” by Geringer, McNett, Minor and Ball, 2016, McGraw Hill; Business Faculty Member of the Year; Phi Beta Lamda

**Professional Affiliations:** Christian Business Faculty Association

**Family Information:** Spouse: Ruth Jinkiri; Son and daughter-in-law: Maigari and Susie Jinkiri; Son: Datti Jinkiri; Grandsons: Joaquin and Raefael Jinkiri

# BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

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BLUE MOUNTAIN, MS

PRESIDENT: BARBARA CHILDERS McMILLIN



**LAUREN ASHLEY COLLINS**

*Senior*

*Exercise Science and Psychology*



**ALANA DELISE TEAGUE**

*Director, Teaching & Learning Center;*

*Assistant Professor, Education*

*Years of service at this institution: 3 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 3*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Southern States Athletic Conference All-Academic Team; National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics; National Scholar; Kappa Omicron Nu; Alpha Chi; President's List

**College Honors Held:** President and Student Leadership Council, Southern States Athletic Conference; Musco Lighting Champion of Character; National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics; Live 5 High 5 -Respect President, Alpha Chi; Treasurer, Kappa Omicron Nu; President, Class of 2019

**Career Goals:** I plan to earn my Doctorate of Occupational Therapy degree. I want to truly make a difference in the lives of others every single day through the use of my skills as an Occupational Therapist. I aspire to eventually be the head of a therapy department or therapy company one day.

**High School:** Cleveland High School, Cleveland, MS

**Family Information:** Mother: Johnna Harris; Step-father: Michael Harris

**Hometown:** Cleveland, MS

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, English, Blue Mountain College. 1985

**Graduate:** MA, Journalism, University of MS, 2007; EdD, Leadership & Professional Practice, Trevecca Nazarene University, 2012

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** TN Teacher of the Year; Milken National Educator Award; "Enhancing the Future of Education by Actively Supporting Novice Teachers." The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin, Fall 2013, Volume 80-1; Faculty of the Year, Southern States Athletic Conference; College Course of the Year Award, Blue Mountain

**Professional Affiliations:** Delta Kappa Gamma; International Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; Commission on Colleges Peer Evaluator; Sigma Tau Delta

**Civic Activities:** Coach, Ramer Dixie Youth Softball league team and All-Star team; Missions Committee Chair, Chewalla Baptist Church; Newsletter Editor, Carl Perkins Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse; McNairy County Developmental Center; Chair, Scholarship Committee, Selmer Rotary Club; Coordinator, United Way

**Family Information:** Parents: Benny and Brylene Teague

**Hometown:** Ramer, TN

# COAHOMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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CLARKSDALE, MS

PRESIDENT: VALMADGE T. TOWNER



**YASMINE KIMYEA HARPER**

*Sophomore  
History and English*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.5 GPA; Phi Theta Kappa

**College Honors Held:** President, Student Government Association; Coahoma Cheer Team; Leader, Coahoma Net Impact Campaign

**Career Goals:** Upon graduating from Coahoma, I plan to attend Frisk University in Nashville, TN. My goal is to complete a PhD in history while continuing to serve those around me.

**High School:** Madison Shannon Palmer High School, Marks, MS

**Family Information:** Father: Daniel Lloyd; Mother: Cynthia Harper

**Hometown:** Marks, MS



**BARBARA N. BOSCHERT**

*Instructor, History; Chair, Social Science*

*Years of service at this institution: 11 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 11*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, History and Political Science, University of AR, 1988

**Graduate:** MEd, History Education, Delta State University, 2000; EdD, Education, Delta State University, 2018

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Teacher of the Month, Coahoma Early College High School; Lady Statesman Emerald Award-Top Doctoral Student; CCC Pinnacle Award-Best Employee; Humanities Teacher of the Year

**Professional Affiliations:** MS Association for Developmental Education; Mid-South Educational Research Association; National Council for History Education; MS Historical Society; American Psychological Association

**Civic Activities:** Board of Directors, Carnegie Public Library Community; Book Talk Lecture Series; Delta Kappa Gamma Society for Women Educators; Adopt-a-Classroom; Brooks Elementary School Assistant Coach; Clarksdale High School Mock Trial Team

**Family Information:** Spouse: Curtis Boschert

**Hometown:** Duncan, MS

# COPIAH-LINCOLN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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WESSON, MS  
PRESIDENT: JANE HULON



**GEOVANI LARA**  
*Sophomore  
Biology*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.8 GPA;  
President's List

**College Honors Held:** President and Golden Key Award,  
Phi Theta Kappa

**Career Goals:** First, I will major in Biology and take the MCAT. Then, apply for different medical schools. After medical school, I will do my residency and will specialize in anesthesiology.

**High School:** Natchez High School, Natchez, MS

**Family Information:** Mother: Evelia Lara

**Hometown:** Natchez, MS



**PRAVEEN RAMARAJU**  
*Instructor, Chemistry, Science Division*

*Years of service at this institution: 5.5 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 7*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS, Pharmacy, Osmania University, India, 2003

**Graduate:** PhD, Organic Chemistry, University of South FL, 2011

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Outstanding Academic Faculty Advisor High Performance Award; Synthesis and Antimicrobial Activities of Structurally Novel Disulfides, 2012; Unsymmetrical Aryl-Alkyl Disulfide Growth Inhibitors of MRSA and Bacillus Anthracis, 2008; Penicillin-Bound Polyacrylate Nanoparticles: Restoring the Activity of Beta-Lactam Antibiotics Against MRSA, 2007

**Professional Affiliations:** American Chemical Society

**Family Information:** Wife: Annapurna; Children: Aria and Aira

**Hometown:** Hyderabad, India

# DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

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CLEVELAND, MS  
PRESIDENT: WILLIAM LaFORGE



**CHARLES EUGENE KING**  
*Senior  
History*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.0 GPA;  
Omicron Delta Kappa

**College Honors Held:** Delta State University School Spirit Award; Outstanding Grand Master Award; International Award, Grand Conclave and Outstanding Brother Award, Kappa Sigma Fraternity

**Career Goals:** To become a military lawyer, the Governor of Mississippi, and to help this state in Washington D.C. in whatever aspect I can.

**High School:** Germantown High School, Madison, MS

**Family Information:** Father: Vernon King; Mother: Susan Floyd

**Hometown:** Jackson, MS



**JONATHAN EDWARD WESTFALL**  
*Assistant Professor, Psychology*

*Years of service at this institution: 4 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 9*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, Psychology, The University of Akron, 2004

**Graduate:** MA, Psychology, The University of Toledo, 2007; Phd, Experimental Psychology, The University of Toledo, 2009

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Microsoft Most Valuable Professional; Faculty Award, College of Education and Human Sciences, Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year and Panhellenic Council, Delta State University

**Professional Affiliations:** Coordinator, First Year Seminar, Delta State University; Internet Editor, Society for the Teaching of Psychology; Editorial Board, Journal of Behavioral Decision Making

**Civic Activities:** Cantor, Our Lady of Victories Church, Cleveland, MS

**Family Information:** Spouse: Karey A. Westfall

**Hometown:** Parma, OH

# EAST CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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DECATUR, MS  
PRESIDENT: BILLY W. STEWART



**MAYOWA ASAGUNLA**  
*Sophomore*  
*Mechanical Engineering*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.7 GPA;  
Dean's List; NJCAA Academic All-American

**College Honors Held:** Luke 2:52 Award, Warrior Football;  
Phi Theta Kappa

**Career Goals:** I hope to continue my football career at  
the next level and plan to complete a degree in mechanical  
engineering.

**High School:** Hillcrest Christian School, Jackson, MS

**Family Information:** Mother: Mayowa Asagunla;  
Guardians: Luke Epperson and April Epperson

**Hometown:** Jackson, MS



**PAM CROSWELL**  
*Instructor, English, Communications Division*

*Years of service at this institution: 12 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 25*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** AA Liberal Arts, Meridian Community  
College, 1991; BA English, Millsaps College, 1993

**Graduate:** MSed, MS State University, 1998

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** HEADWAE Faculty,  
Academic Teacher of the Year, Lamplighters Award, William  
Winter Scholar Award and Natchez Literary Festival, East  
Central Community College

**Professional Affiliations:** AFSA Faculty Association;  
MS Association for Developmental Education; MSVCC  
Certified Online Instructor; Integrated Reading and  
English Redesign; Perspectives on Course Redesign; Lead  
Instructor for World Literature

**Civic Activities:** Pine Grove Baptist Church

**Family Information:** Spouse: Patrick Croswell; Step-  
daughter: Tessa Kate Croswell

**Hometown:** Union, MS



# EAST MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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SCOoba, MS  
PRESIDENT: SCOTT ALSOBROOKS



**JORDAN BROOKE WHITE**

*Sophomore  
Biology*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; President's Award; Outstanding Honors Leadership Student Award, Phi Theta Kappa; Outstanding Chemistry I Student Award; Outstanding Honors English I & II Student Award; Outstanding Art Appreciation Student Award; Outstanding Psychology Student Award

**College Honors Held:** Lucy Hull Leaders of Tomorrow Phi Theta Kappa Award; Student Ambassador; Honors Program; President and Treasurer, Student Government Association; Vice-President, Math and Science Club; Sigma Kappa Delta; Student Voices

**Career Goals:** My career goal is to become a Family Medicine doctor in a rural community like the one I grew up in. I feel serving the community this way is my mission in life. People in rural areas must sometimes drive hours to their primary care physicians. This deters some in rural areas from seeing a physician regularly. I plan on making a difference in my community.

**High School:** Kemper Academy, De Kalb, MS

**Family Information:** Parents: Johnny and Suzanne White

**Hometown:** De Kalb, MS



**SHANNON PENDERGRASS**

*Instructor, English, Humanities and Fine Arts*

*Years of service at this institution: 7 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 7*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS, English, University of West AL, 2003

**Graduate:** MA, Teaching English, University of West AL, 2008

**Family Information:** Spouse: T.W. Pendergrass; Sons: TJ and Ben Pendergrass; Grandsons: Langston, Clyde, and Roy

**Hometown:** Meridian, MS

# HINDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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RAYMOND, MS  
PRESIDENT: CLYDE MUSE



**HEZEKIAH HENRY WILLIAMS**  
*Sophomore*  
*Chemical Engineering*



**DAN J. FULLER**  
*Instructor, English;*  
*Chair, Humanities, Utica Campus*

*Years of service at this institution: 4 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 4*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.7 GPA; HEADWAE Student, Hinds Community College; STEM Program Scholarship; Honor's Program Scholar; Dean's Scholar; Dean's List; Academic Excellence Award, Hinds Community College, Utica Campus

**College Honors Held:** MS Valley State University Title III Competitiveness Scholarship; White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities Competitiveness Scholar; President, Freshman Class; District President, Student Government Association; Co-President, Phi Theta Kappa; Mr. Yearbook; Mr. Utica Campus

**Career Goals:** I aspire to be a business-owning Chemical Engineer who plans to construct and distribute defensive armor to our men and women of service to protect them on the front lines from biological, nuclear, atomic, and chemical warfare. I plan to do this through a partnership with the United States government.

**High School:** Mount Salus Christian School, Clinton, MS

**Family Information:** Mother: Lora R. Williams; Father: John H. Williams, Sr.

**Hometown:** Edwards, MS

## **Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, English, MS College, 1998

**Graduate:** MA, English, MS College, 2018; MTS, Theological Studies, Brite Divinity School (TCU), 2006

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Humanities Instructor of the Year; Co-Director, MS Humanities Council; NEH Grant; "The Black Man's Burden: William Holtzclaw and the Mississippi HBCU Connection"

**Professional Affiliations:** National Council of Teachers of English; Conference on College Composition and Communication; Two Year College English Association; National Writing Project Fellow; Faculty Advisor, Utopic Yearbook and International Club

**Civic Activities:** First Baptist Church, Clinton, MS; Assistant Scoutmaster, BSA Troop 12; Co-Director, Utica Institute Museum

**Family Information:** Spouse: Lynn Pape Fuller; Children: Will and Maggie Fuller

**Hometown:** Albuquerque, NM

# HOLMES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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GOODMAN, MS  
PRESIDENT: JIM HAFHEY



**HALLIE MCKINLEY WESTBROOK**

*Sophomore*

*Architectural Engineering Technology (AAS)  
and Accounting (AA)*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; President's List; Get2College FAFSA Corps; Architectural Engineering Award; Hall of Fame; Golden Key, Phi Theta Kappa; English Composition Award; AutoCAD Certification; Gold Medalist, SkillsUSA; State Opening and Closing Ceremony Tea

**College Honors Held:** Vice-President, Kappa Alpha Chapter, Phi Theta Kappa; President, SkillsUSA Chapter, Holmes Community College, Goodman Campus; Chief Designer, Sensory Garden Project-Choctaw Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Ackerman, MS

**Career Goals:** I aspire to obtain my bachelor's degree and potentially a master's degree in Accounting. I plan to concentrate in helping people manage and protect their financial and physical assets.

**High School:** Homeschooled

**Family Information:** Parents: Rolan and Dawn Westbrook

**Hometown:** Pickens, MS



**LISA ANGLIN**

*Instructor, Mathematics*

*Years of service at this institution: 13 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 13*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS, Mathematics, Millsaps College, 2004

**Graduate:** MS, Mathematics, MS College, 2007

**Professional Affiliations:** Contact Advisor, Phi Theta Kappa; Education Association; MS Collegiate Mathematics Association

**Civic Activities:** Children's ministry leadership team and Salt and Light Ministry board, Madison United Methodist Church

**Family Information:** Husband: Micah Anglin; Children: Macy and Luke Anglin

**Hometown:** Madison, MS

# ITAWAMBA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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FULTON, MS  
PRESIDENT: JAY S. ALLEN



**MAKAELA NOELLE DICKERSON**  
*Sophomore*  
*Public Relations*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA;  
President's List; All MS Academic Team

**College Honors Held:** President, Upsilon Sigma Chapter,  
Phi Theta Kappa; MS/LA Regional Reporter Honors Program;  
Coca-Cola Leader of Promise

**Career Goals:** After graduating with my Master's Degree, I  
want to work for a nonprofit organization like Make-A-Wish  
Foundation.

**High School:** Hamilton High School, Hamilton, MS

**Family Information:** Parents: Tim and Jennifer Dickerson

**Hometown:** Smithville, MS



**NATHANIEL GENE WARD**  
*Instructor, English*

*Years of service at this institution: 12 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 15*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, Curriculum and Instruction - English  
Education, University of MS, 2000

**Graduate:** MA, Curriculum and Instruction - English  
Education, University of MS, 2003

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** William Winter Faculty  
Scholar, Lamplighter Award and Leadership Development  
Institute, Itawamba Community College

**Professional Affiliations:** Sigma Kappa Delta; NCTE

**Family Information:** Spouse: Kelly Ward; Sons: Ely,  
Braydy, and Luke Ward

**Hometown:** Pontotoc, MS

# JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

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JACKSON, MS  
PRESIDENT: WILLIAM B. BYNUM, JR.



**MALIK MARTEZ NELSON**  
*Senior  
Biology and Chemistry*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA;  
Presidential Academic Scholarship

**College Honors Held:** President's List; W.E.B. Dubois-  
Harvery Honors College

**Career Goals:** I plan to be a physician in an urban academic  
medical center, helping to bring equal health into reality  
and to fund a full ride medical school scholarship for future  
Jackson State undergraduate students.

**High School:** Michigan Virtual Charter Academy, Grand  
Rapids, MI

**Family Information:** Mother: Latrice Crutcher; Father:  
Robert Nelson II

**Hometown:** Detroit, MI



**NICHOLAS JOHN HILL**  
*Associate Professor, Economics;  
Director, PhD. Program in Business Administration  
Years of service at this institution: 12 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 12*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, Economics, Tougaloo College, 2000

**Graduate:** MA, Economics, Howard University, 2002;  
PhD, Business Administration (Economics), Jackson State  
University, 2006

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Non-Citizen Employment  
and the Wages of Healthcare Support Workers in the  
US, Journal of Labor Research, 2018; Examining the  
link between Entrepreneurs and Risky Sexual Behavior,  
Southwestern Economic Review, 2018; Excellence in  
Research: A Comparison of Educational Outcomes  
at Institutions of Higher Education, National Science  
Foundation, Grant Awarded, 2018 - 2021

**Professional Affiliations:** Past President, Southwestern  
Society of Economists; National Economics Association;  
American Economic Association

**Civic Activities:** Director, Center for Research in  
Economic Education and Financial Literacy, MS Council  
for Economic Education; MS Black Leadership Institute;  
OneVoice; Deacon, Farmhaven Church of Holiness USA

**Family Information:** Spouse: Mary-Margarette Hill; Sons:  
Nicholas, Harper, Clark, and Jean-Marc Hill

**Hometown:** Canton, MS

# JONES COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE

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ELLISVILLE, MS

PRESIDENT: JESSE R. SMITH



**SHIVUM DESAI**

*Sophomore*

*Biological Sciences (Pre-Med)*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Phi Theta Kappa; ACT Scholarship; Foundation Scholarship; Thomas H. Harris Science Scholarship; Bush Memorial Scholarship; President's List

**College Honors Held:** President, Phi Theta Kappa; Academic All-American/New Century Transfer Pathway Scholarship Nominee

**Career Goals:** Complete undergraduate degree in biological sciences at the University of Mississippi, attend medical school, and complete residency in cardiology or internal medicine.

**High School:** Oak Grove High school, Hattiesburg, MS

**Family Information:** Parents: Sanjay and Karuna Desai

**Hometown:** Hattiesburg, MS



**ERIC SHOWS**

*Chair, Science Division*

*Years of service at this institution: 9 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 9*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS, Biochemistry, MS State University, Summa Cum Laude, 2005

**Graduate:** MS, Vanderbilt University, 2009

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Research in Nucleocytoplasmic Transport, Vanderbilt University; Research in Pesticide Neurotoxicology, MS State University Science; Crossing the Nuclear Envelope: Hierarchical Regulation of Nucleocytoplasmic Transport; Barry M. Goldwater Scholar

**Professional Affiliations:** American Society for Cell Biology; American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology; Golden Key; Phi Kappa Phi

**Civic Activities:** First Baptist Church, Ellisville, MS

**Family Information:** Parents: Bobby and Sandra Shows

**Hometown:** Ellisville, MS



# MERIDIAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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MERIDIAN, MS

PRESIDENT: THOMAS M. HUEBNER, JR.



**DUNNAM ODIS SHIRLEY**

*Sophomore*

*Secondary Education, Biology*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Valedictorian; Charles & Jean Winwright Memorial Scholarship; Steve Nabors Memorial Scholarship; MCC Faculty & Staff Association Scholarship

**College Honors Held:** Chapter President, Phi Theta Kappa 5-Star Competitive Edge; All MS-Academic Team; Honors Council, Phil Hardin Foundation; Honors College; Ivy League Student Recruiters; Science Tutor, MCC's Student Success Center; Sports Announcer, MCC (Soccer, Basketball, & Baseball); MCC Mascot, "Victor the Eagle"

**Career Goals:** When I graduate from MCC, I plan to transfer to Mississippi State University and pursue my passion for education. My goal is to obtain my Biology Education degree and return to the public education system in Mississippi to teach Biology at the high school level. Just as many of my teachers positively impacted my life, I want to positively impact the lives of young people for many years to come.

**High School:** Southeast Lauderdale High School, Meridian, MS

**Family Information:** Parents: Terry and Cindy Shirley

**Hometown:** Meridian, MS



**VALERIE STIDAM BISHOP**

*Chair, Science, Fitness and Wellness Division*

*Years of service at this institution: 11 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 11*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS, Biology, Georgetown College, 1987

**Graduate:** MS, Science Education, University of KY, 1990

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Clarence Roberts Teaching Award, MCC; MCC'er of the Month; You Be The Chemist; MS Educator STAR Teacher

**Professional Affiliations:** MS Academy of Sciences

**Civic Activities:** Meridian Symphony Board; Boys and Girls Club of East MS; My College Cares

**Family Information:** Spouse: David Bishop; Son and daughter-in-law: Evan and Robyn Bishop

**Hometown:** Meridian, MS

# MILLSAPS COLLEGE

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JACKSON, MS  
PRESIDENT: ROBERT PEARIGEN



**CAIYING (CATHERINE) ZHANG**  
*Junior  
Biology*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.9 GPA; TriBeta; Secretary, Alpha Epsilon Delta Pre-Health; President, Phi Eta Sigma; Ford Fellow; Mellon Writing Fellow; Biology teaching assistant; Summer research assistant, University of PA

**College Honors Held:** President's Scholar; William H. Tribute award; Vice-President, Student Body Association; President, International Student Organization; VP Finance, Tri-Delta fraternity

**Career Goals:** To become a physician/scientist

**High School:** Raffles Institution, Singapore

**Family Information:** Father: Zhang Rong Wei; Mother: Bian Jin Hong

**Hometown:** Singapore



**BRENT E. HENDRIXSON**  
*Professor, Biology*

*Years of service at this institution: 10.5 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 12.5*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, Biology, University of Northern CO, 1999

**Graduate:** MS, Biology, West TX A&M University, 2002; PhD, Biology, EC University, 2006

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Distinguished Professor Award, Sabbatical Award, Richard A. Smith Award for Excellence in Scholarship or Creative Work, Excellence in Teaching Award and Outstanding Young Faculty Award, Millsaps College

**Professional Affiliations:** American Arachnological Society Association of Southeastern Biologists; International Society of Arachnology Society for the Study of Evolution

**Civic Activities:** K-12 outreach programs at local public and private schools; Volunteer, MS Museum of Natural Science

**Family Information:** Spouse: Dr. Kristina E. Rehm

**Hometown:** Thornton, CO

# MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

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CLINTON, MS  
PRESIDENT: BLAKE THOMPSON



**ANTHONY PIERRE' JACKSON**  
*Senior*  
*Political Science and History*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.1 GPA;  
Dean's List; Gulf South Conference All Academic Team

**College Honors Held:** Lettered in Football; Campus  
Activities Board; Orientation Leader; First African American  
President, Student Government Association

**Career Goals:** I would like to be able to help reshape the  
image of Mississippi. I would like for this to become the  
place where people are proud to be from, and proud to stay. I  
plan on getting involved in Mississippi politics and focusing  
on strengthening our public education system here in the  
state.

**High School:** John F. Kennedy Memorial High School,  
Mound Bayou, MS

**Family Information:** Mother: Oneida Causley

**Hometown:** Mound Bayou, MS



**JOHN TRAVIS**  
*Professor and Chair, Mathematics*

*Years of service at this institution: 30 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 30*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BBA, Mathematics, MS College, 1982

**Graduate:** MS, Mathematics, University of TN, 1985;  
PhD, Mathematical Sciences, MS State University, 1994

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Distinguished Teaching  
Award, LA/MS Section, Mathematical Association  
of America; Distinguished Alumnus, Department of  
Mathematics and Distinguished Professor of the Year,  
Mississippi College; Essentials of Mathematical Probability  
and Statistics, 2017; Mathematics of Finance, 2016

**Professional Affiliations:** Founding President, The  
WebWork Project; Board of Governors, Mathematical  
Association of America; Executive Committee and Chair,  
LA/MA Section, MAA; Editor, MAA Distinguished  
Lecturer Video Series; Association of Christians in the  
Mathematical Sciences

**Civic Activities:** Deacon and Instrumental Ensemble,  
Parkway Baptist Church; PTA, Clinton Public Schools

**Family Information:** Spouse: Ruth Travis; Daughters;  
Sarah Grace Travis Zetterholm, Anna Kate and Laura Joy  
Travis

**Hometown:** Clinton, MS

# MISSISSIPPI DELTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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MOORHEAD, MS  
PRESIDENT: LARRY NABORS



**JAYLAN LASHUN WOODS**

*Sophomore*

*Health, Physical Education, and Recreation*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.8 GPA;  
NJCAA All-Academic; Phi Theta Kappa; Dean's List

**College Honors Held:** Captain, Football Team; Health,  
Physical Education, Recreation Departmental Award

**Career Goals:** I aspire to become a Physical Therapist and  
open my own clinic.

**High School:** Greenville High School, Greenville, MS

**Family Information:** Mother: Melody Coleman; Father:  
Carl Mack

**Hometown:** Greenville, MS



**ELIZABETH MCCOOL SCRIVNER**

*Instructor, Biology, Math and Science Department*

*Years of service at this institution: 6 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 6*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** AA, MS Delta Community College, 1998;  
BSE, Biology Science Education, Delta State University,  
2000

**Graduate:** MSNS, Biology/Natural Sciences, Delta State  
University, 2004

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Star Teacher; Lead teacher,  
MSCEI (Apple- iPods/iPads) grant, and 21st Century  
Classroom grant

**Professional Affiliations:** MS Professional Educators

**Family Information:** Spouse: Dale Scrivner; Children:  
Detra Scrivner Coleman, Jason and Ashlee Scrivner

**Hometown:** Lake Village, AR

# MS GULF COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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PERKINSTON, MS  
PRESIDENT: MARY S. GRAHAM



**RILEY HOPE BROWN**

*Sophomore*

*Biomedical Engineering with a Pre-Med Focus*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; President's List; Academic Excellence Scholarship; Leadership Scholarship; Honors College Scholarship; Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholar

**College Honors Held:** President, Pi Epsilon Chapter, Phi Theta Kappa; Reflections Team; Student Government Association; President, Sophomore Class; Treasurer, Circle K International

**Career Goals:** After obtaining my Associate of Science degree from MGCCC, I plan to transfer to the University of Mississippi to obtain a Bachelor's degree in Biomedical Engineering and furthering my education at the University of Mississippi Medical Center. Due to the great need for primary care physicians in Mississippi, upon completion of my residency, I plan to return to my hometown to practice.

**High School:** Gautier High School, Gautier, MS

**Family Information:** Parents: O.W. and Kimberly Brown, III

**Hometown:** Gautier, MS



**JENNIFER BARNES MOFFETT**

*Instructor, Language Arts Department*

*Years of service at this institution: 9 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 15*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BBA, Marketing, Harding University, 1995

**Graduate:** MA, English/Creative Writing, The University of MS, 2001

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Simon & Schuster/Atheneum, author, forthcoming novel, fall 2020; descant, TX Christian University Literary Journal, associate fiction editor; Gary Wilson Short Story Award; Faulkner-Wisdom Creative Competition, finalist (poetry category); New Orleans Review, published short story (issue 38.1)

**Professional Affiliations:** Friends of American Library Association; The Pirate's Alley Faulkner Society; Past Board of Directors, The Mary C. O'Keefe Cultural Center; Young Adult Library Services Association; Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators

**Civic Activities:** Volunteer Creative Writing Instructor, Gautier Public Library, Girl Scouts of America, and The Mary C.; Contest Judge, Gautier Public Library Teen Writing Contest and Ocean Springs High School Book Fair Competition

**Family Information:** Spouse: Jeff Moffett; Children: Noah and Ella Moffett

**Hometown:** Ocean Springs, MS

# MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

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MISSISSIPPI STATE, MS  
PRESIDENT: MARK E. KEENUM



**MAYAH EMERSON**

*Senior  
Educational Psychology*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.5 GPA;  
Lambda Sigma

**College Honors Held:** South Eastern Conference Student  
Leader of the Year

**Career Goals:** I plan to further my education by pursuing a  
Masters Degree in Education Policy.

**High School:** Meridian High School, Meridian, MS

**Family Information:** Parents; Albert and Katricia Emerson

**Hometown:** Meridian, MS



**JAMES ANDREW DUNNE**

*Interim Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs;  
Professor, Physics & Astronomy;  
Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President*

*Years of service at this institution: 21 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 21*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS, Physics, The American University,  
1987

**Graduate:** MS, Physics, The American University, 1991;  
PhD, Nuclear Physics, The American University, 1995

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** "Precision Measurement of  
the Weak Charge of the Proton," Nature 557 no.7704, 207-  
211, 2018, Qweak Collaboration; Nominee, U.S. Professors  
of the Year Awards Program; The John Grisham Master  
Teacher Award; MS State University Alumni Association;  
Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award; The Hunter  
Henry Dean's Eminent Scholar Award

**Professional Affiliations:** American Physical Society; MS  
Section Representative; American Association of Physics  
Teachers; Phi Kappa Phi; Sigma Xi

**Family Information:** Spouse: Demetra Dunne; Children:  
Connor, Marika, Reese, Christian, and Veronica Dunne

**Hometown:** Silver Spring, MD



# MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY FOR WOMEN

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COLUMBUS, MS  
PRESIDENT: NORA R. MILLER



**DEMYIA ROSEANA GRAHAM**

*Senior  
Biology*



**DEE ANNE LARSON**

*Interim Chair, Department of Business;  
Coordinator, Graduate Studies in Business;  
Professor of Marketing and Management*

*Years of service at this institution: 20 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 20*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.7 GPA; Valedictorian; President's List; Dean's list; Ina E. Gordy Honors College

**College Honors Held:** 3rd Place, Common Reading Initiative Contest, MS University for Women; The Price We Paid: An Anthology of the Desegregation of Mississippi State College for Women.

**Career Goals:** I plan to become a clinical psychiatrist focusing on how social and physical environments affect the development of women and children. My hope is to start a research program that focuses on women and children's mental and physical health in rural areas as they relate to a lack of resources.

**High School:** Port Gibson High School, Port Gibson, MS

**Family Information:** Mother: Shantee Brown; Father: Dlvyn Graham

**Hometown:** Port Gibson, MS

## **Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BBA, Marketing, MS State University, 1990

**Graduate:** MBA, MS State University, 1994; PhD, Marketing, MS State University, 2001

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Kossen Faculty Excellence Award; Business and Legal Studies Faculty Member of the Year Award; Women's Center for Entrepreneurship; Entrepreneurial Educator of the Year; MBAA McGraw-Hill/Irwin Distinguished Paper Award

**Professional Affiliations:** Former Proceedings Editor; Marketing Management Association

**Civic Activities:** Sunday School teacher and Handbell Choir, First United Methodist Church; Starkville High School PTO; SHS Cheer and Archery Booster Clubs; Starkville's Casserole Kitchen Volunteer; Provide marketing expertise to a diversified set of regional businesses and non-profit organizations

**Family Information:** Spouse: Erick Larson; Children: Drake and Johannah Larson

**Hometown:** Amory, MS

# MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

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ITTA BENA, MS  
PRESIDENT: JERRYL BRIGGS



**DONOVAN DEANDRE BROWNLEE**  
*Junior*  
*Pre-Law Legal Studies/Government and Politics*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.3 GPA;  
National Society of Leadership and Success; Top Student in  
American Literature II, Coahoma Community College

**College Honors Held:** Mr. Choir and Men's Ensemble,  
Coahoma Community College; Singer, Black Caucus for  
Congressman Bennie Thompson, Washington D.C.; Captain,  
Mock Trial Team, MS Valley State University; Vice President,  
Pre-Law Club

**Career Goals:** Become a lawyer, own my own law firm, and  
open affordable after school program for youth.

**High School:** Westerville North High School, Westerville,  
OH

**Family Information:** Mother; Freda Sykes: Father; Dan  
Brownlee

**Hometown:** : Columbus, OH



**MICAH RUEBER**  
*Associate Professor, History;*  
*Coordinator, General Studies*

*Years of service at this institution: 7 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 9*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA in Music, Carleton College, 1994; BS  
in Mathematics, University of OR, 2000

**Graduate:** MA in History, IA State University, 2005; PhD  
in History, MS State University, 2010

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** "Milk the Measure  
of All Things" in Science as Service: Establishing and  
Reformulation American Land-Grant Universities, 1865-  
1930, edited by Alan I, Marcus, University of AL Press,  
2015; "The Man in the Grey Metal Suit" in Comics as  
History, Comics as Literature: Roles of the Comic Book in  
Scholarship, Society, and Entertainment, edited by Anessa  
Babic, Fairleigh Dickinson, 2013

**Professional Affiliations:** Chair, Kranzberg Prize  
Committee; Society for the History of Technology

**Family Information:** Spouse: Holly Haimes

**Hometown:** Sturgis, MS

# NORTHEAST MS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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BOONEVILLE, MS  
PRESIDENT: RICKY G. FORD



**TREVIN HALL MOORE**  
*Sophomore*  
*Civil Engineering*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.7 GPA

**College Honors Held:** Tiger Band Drum Major; Officer, Phi Theta Kappa; Vice President's List; FCA; Symphonic Band; Chorus; Jazz Band

**Career Goals:** I want to be a civil engineer and eventually own my own business.

**High School:** Booneville High School, Booneville, MS

**Family Information:** Parents: T.J. & Myra Moore

**Hometown:** Booneville, MS



**ROBBIE ROGERS COLEMAN**

*Instructor, Accounting, Social, Behavioral, and Applied Sciences Division*  
*Years of service at this institution: 17.5 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 17.5*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** Associate of Arts, Northeast MS Junior College, 1986; BAcc, University of MS, 1988

**Graduate:** MAcc, University of MS, 1989

**Professional Affiliations:** American Institute of Certified Public Accountants; MS Society of Certified Public Accountants; Northeast Chapter of MSCPA

**Civic Activities:** Board Member, Aiming for Healthy Families, Inc.; Volunteer, Lighthouse Basketball; Classic Treasurer, Tuscumbia Baptist Church

**Family Information:** Daughters: Annaleigh and Darbie Coleman

**Hometown:** Corinth, MS

# NORTHWEST MS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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SENATOBIA, MS  
PRESIDENT: MICHAEL HEINDL



**WILLIAM JOSHUA WOOD**  
*Sophomore*  
*Accounting and Finance*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA;  
President, Phi Theta Kappa; Gamma Beta Phi

**College Honors Held:** Foundations Scholarship; Presidential  
Scholarship

**Career Goals:** I plan to major in Accounting and Finance  
and also earn a Master's degree in Business Administration.  
After graduating from college, I want to work as an  
investment banker and own real estate in the city in which I  
live at the time. I also plan on investing in stocks and bonds.

**High School:** Brandon High School, Brandon, MS

**Family Information:** Parents: Will and Wendy Wood

**Hometown:** Brandon, MS



**ELIZABETH SWAYZE HARVEY**  
*Instructor, Mathematics*

*Years of service at this institution: 23 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 27*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, Mathematics, University of MS, 1991

**Graduate:** MS, Mathematics, University of MS, 1993

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Lamplighter, Northwest MS  
Community College; The Journey Award for Excellence in  
Phi Theta Kappa Membership Recruitment

**Professional Affiliations:** Sponsor, Phi Theta Kappa

**Civic Activities:** First Baptist Church, Oxford, MS

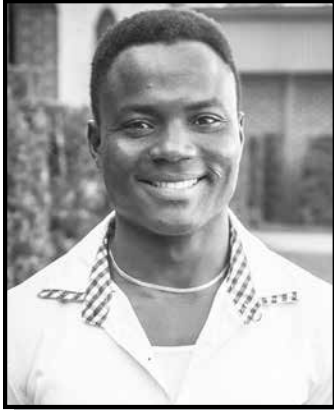
**Family Information:** Spouse: Brian Harvey; Sons: Will,  
John, and Michael Harvey

**Hometown:** Benton, MS

# PEARL RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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POPLARVILLE, MS  
PRESIDENT: ADAM BREERWOOD



**ALPHONSO WRIGHT**  
*Sophomore*  
*Agricultural Business*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.0 GPA

**Career Goals:** I grew up in an orphanage in Africa. I came to the United States in 2011. I want to go back to Africa to open an agricultural business that will allow the children in the orphanage to make a living for themselves. This business will allow these youth to not only learn a trade but will also provide a place of employment for when they age out of the orphanage system.

**High School:** East Marion High School, Columbia, MS

**Family Information:** Foster Mother: Mandy Baney Cooley; Sister: Patience Diggs

**Hometown:** Grand Bassa County Number 2 District, West Africa, Morovia, Liberia



**AARYN WARD PURVIS**  
*Instructor, Sociology*

*Years of service at this institution: 8 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 12*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, History, TX A&M University, 2004

**Graduate:** MA, Sociology, LA State University, 2006; PhD, Sociology, LA State University, 2011

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** American Education Research Association Dissertation Grant (\$20,000)

**Professional Affiliations:** President, Faculty Association; Faculty Advisor, Social Science Club

**Civic Activities:** Cosmopolitan Club of Petal MS; Yearly volunteer, Homeless Connect with Volunteer Southeast MS

**Family Information:** Spouse: Adam Purvis; Children: Beau and Lucy Purvis

**Hometown:** Houston, TX

# REFORMED THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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JACKSON, MS

CHANCELLOR: J. LIGON DUNCAN, III • PRESIDENT: GUY RICHARDSON



**STEP MORGAN**

*Senior  
Master of Divinity*



**JENNINGS LIGON DUNCAN**

*Chancellor and CEO, John E. Richards Professor of Systematic  
and Historical Theology*

*Years of service at this institution: 28 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 28*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.5 GPA

**Career Goals:** I hope to serve as an ordained minister of the gospel in the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

**High School:** Homeschool

**Family Information:** Spouse: Jessica Morgan; Children: Rachel Katharine, Samuel, Sophie, Noah, and Elijah Morgan

**Hometown:** Bruce, MS

## **Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, History, Furman University, 1983.

**Graduate:** MDiv, cum laude, Covenant Theological Seminary, 1986; MA, Historical Theology, cum laude, Covenant Theological Seminary, 1987; PhD, Ecclesiastical History/Systematic Theology, University of Edinburgh New College, 1995

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Author/Editor/Co-author of more than 35 books, including: "Fear Not!" and "Does Grace Grow Best in Winter?" Also in Christianity Today, Banner of Truth Moderator, (32nd) General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), 2004-2005; Who's Who in America; Who's Who in America: South and Southwest

**Professional Affiliations:** Evangelical Theological Society; The North American Patristic Society National Association of Scholars; Peer Review Advisory Board, The Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; Presbytery of the MS Valley

**Civic Activities:** First Presbyterian Church, Jackson, MS

**Family Information:** Spouse: Anne Harley Duncan; Children: Sarah Kennedy and Jennings Duncan IV

**Hometown:** Jackson, MS



# RUST COLLEGE

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HOLLY SPRINGS, MS  
PRESIDENT: DAVID L. BECKLEY



**AUNDRE FLETCHER**  
*Sophomore  
Biology*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.2 GPA;  
President's List; Dean's List

**College Honors Held:** E.A. Smith Honors Program;  
Academic Dean Scholarship

**Career Goals:** I aspire to be a healthcare professional. As  
a healthcare professional, I will be in a position to promote  
healthier lifestyles.

**High School:** GRAD Academy Memphis, Memphis, TN

**Family Information:** Parents: Aundre and Darlene  
Fletcher Sr.

**Hometown:** Memphis, TN



**WONSO WHITE HAYES**  
*Associate Professor, Education*

*Years of service at this institution: 41 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 3*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** AB. Business Education, Coahoma Community  
College, 1961-63; BS. Business Education, Alcorn State  
University, 1963-65

**Graduate:** MBE, Business Education, The University of MS,  
1971; ME, Education-Reading, The University of MS; PhD,  
Higher Education and Student Personnel, The University of MS

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Research Associate/Consultant,  
"In-Service Training Programs for Supervisory Personnel," R.  
Frank Hardwood, University of MS, School of Business Adm,  
1978; HBCU Nissan Fellow, 1995; 2-week Literacy Program for  
Grades 1-4; Annual "Read Around Christmas Tree" Literacy  
Program; Leading Lady of Holly Springs

**Professional Affiliations:** International Reading Association;  
National Education Association; Association for Supervision and  
Curriculum Development; MS Education Association

**Civic Activities:** NAACP; Holly Springs Planning Commission;  
Marshall County Competitive Community Program; Holly  
Springs Public Housing Authority; Leadership Marshall

**Family Information:** Spouse: Naylond Hayes; Daughter:  
Charleye Hayes-Tate; Son: Raphael Hayes

**Hometown:** : Water Valley, MS

# SOUTHEASTERN BAPTIST COLLEGE

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LAUREL, MS  
INTERIM PRESIDENT: SCOTT CARSON



**ZECHARIAH ROGERS**  
*Senior*  
*Church Ministries*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.5 GPA

**Hometown:** Wiggins, MS



**ROSEMARY FINNEY DAVIS**  
*Instructor, English*

*Years of service at this institution: 15 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 16*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS. English, Music Minor (piano),  
William Carey University, 1997

**Graduate:** MEd, William Carey University, 1998

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Sigma Tau Delta; Who's  
Who Among Teachers in American Universities & Colleges;  
HEADWAE Outstanding Faculty; Teacher of the Month,  
Laurel Exchange Club and Laurel Sertoma Club

**Family Information:** Spouse: Charles T. Davis; Children:  
Luke, Sydney, Hunter, and Levi Davis

**Hometown:** Hattiesburg, MS

# SOUTHWEST MS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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SUMMIT, MS  
PRESIDENT: J. STEVEN BISHOP



**WILLIAM CRAIG BATTLE**  
*Sophomore*  
*Associate Degree Nursing*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.6 GPA;  
Valedictorian; ACT Scholarship

**College Honors Held:** President's List; Dean's List; Omicron  
Delta Chapter, Phi Theta Kappa

**Career Goals:** Upon completion of my Associate Degree  
in Nursing, I would like to pursue a Bachelor's Degree  
in Nursing. I would also like to go on to get a Doctorate  
of Nursing Practice in Anesthesia, to help manage  
perioperative pain in the healthcare setting.

**High School:** New Bethel Christian School, Jayess, MS

**Family Information:** Parents: Scott and Regina Battle

**Hometown:** Jayess, MS



**JOYCE JONES MABRY**  
*Instructor, English and Journalism, Humanities Department;*  
*Head Tennis Coach*

*Years of service at this institution: 11 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 11*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** AA, English, Southwest MS Community  
College, 1969; BS, English, University of Southern MS,  
1972

**Graduate:** MEd, English, William Carey University,  
2007; Graduate study, LA State University and MS State  
University

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Humanities Award,  
Southwest MS Community College; MS Community and  
Junior College Press Association yearbook competition;  
Whispering Pines yearbook won overall state for five years

**Professional Affiliations:** Delta Kappa Gamma; MS Press  
Association

**Civic Activities:** Amite County DAR Chapter; College  
and Career Sunday School teacher, First Baptist Church,  
Liberty, MS

**Family Information:** Spouse: Bill Mabry; Son and  
daughter-in-law: Will and Deana Mabry; Daughter:  
Melissa Mabry Anderson

**Hometown:** Liberty, MS

# TOUGALOO COLLEGE

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TOUGALOO, MS  
PRESIDENT: BEVERLY W. HOGAN



**MIKAYLA OLIVIA JOHNSON**  
*Senior  
English*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.5 GPA; Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellow; Rutgers English Diversity Institute; Mentoring Underrepresented Scholars in English

**College Honors Held:** Dean's List

**Career Goals:** After earning my B.A. in English at Tougaloo College, I desire to further my education and earn my Ph.D. I hope to then obtain a career in academia where I will teach future scholars.

**High School:** Canton Public High School, Canton, MS

**Family Information:** Mother: Penelope Johnson

**Hometown:** Canton, MS



**KEDRA LAVERNE JAMES**  
*Assistant Professor, English Department*

*Years of service at this institution: 2.5 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 13*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, English, Tougaloo College, 2005

**Graduate:** MA, English, KS State University, 2007; PhD, English, The University of AL, 2013

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** The American Association of University Women Achievement Award; Teaching and Learning Center Award; Joffre and Zadio B. Whisenton Award; The Compact for Faculty Diversity/Southern Regional Education Board Scholars Award; The Longman/Expository Writing Program Exemplar Award

**Professional Affiliations:** College Language Association; Sigma Tau Delta

**Civic Activities:** Jackson, MS, Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

**Family Information:** Mother: Mary James; Father: Darrell James

**Hometown:** Itta Bena, MS

# UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

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## UNIVERSITY, MS INTERIM CHANCELLOR: LARRY SPARKS



**EDWARD ELAM MILLER**

*Senior*

*Public Policy Leadership, International Studies,  
and Spanish*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.5 GPA; Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College; Omicron Delta Kappa; Lambda Sigma; Mortar Board; Order of Omega; Provost Scholar; Dean's Honor Roll; Chancellor's Honor Roll

**College Honors Held:** President and Vice President, Associated Student Body; ODK Freshman Leader of the Year; Trailblazer Award, Fraternity and Sorority Life

**Career Goals:** Throughout my time in college, my career aspirations have changed a time or two. However, one thing has always remained, a passion for education. As of now, I hope to pursue a career centered around education policy in order to bolster public education and reduce inequalities among schools across the United States.

**High School:** Oakland High School, Murfreesboro, TN

**Family Information:** Parents: Eddie and Renee Duke Miller

**Hometown:** Murfreesboro, TN



**ANN ELIZABETH MONROE**

*Assistant Dean, Director of Assessment;  
Associate Professor of Teacher Education*

*Years of service at this institution: 16 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 16*

### **Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS, Elementary Education, University of TN at Chattanooga, 1996

**Graduate:** MEd, Elementary Education, University of MS, 2002; EdD, Elementary Education, University of MS, 2007

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Elsie M. Hood Outstanding Teacher Award, University of MS; Exemplary Service Award and Teacher of the Year, School of Education, University of MS

**Professional Affiliations:** Phi Kappa Phi Mid-South Educational Research Association; Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development; Phi Delta Kappa; Kappa Delta Pi

**Civic Activities:** Board Member, 21 United MS; Research Task Force, Excel by Five

**Family Information:** Spouse: Dr. Stephen Monroe; Son: George Monroe

**Hometown:** Chattanooga, TN

# UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER

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JACKSON, MS  
VICE CHANCELLOR: LOUANN WOODWARD



**MEGAN POIRRIER LADNER**  
*Third Year*  
*Health Administration*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Phi Kappa Phi; Alpha Eta; Phi Theta Kappa; President's List

**College Honors Held:** Occupational Therapy Student of the Year

**Career Goals:** To continue teaching in the Doctor of Occupational Therapy program at the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

**High School:** Hillcrest Christian School, Jackson, MS

**Family Information:** Spouse: Jeff Ladner; Stepsons: Thomas and Ashton Ladner

**Hometown:** Terry, MS



**SHAMSI DANESHVARI BERRY**  
*Assistant Professor, Department of Health Informatics*  
*and Information Management*

*Years of service at this institution: 2 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 7*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS, Anthropology, University of CA Davis, 1998

**Graduate:** MS, Anthropology, University of NM, 2003; MS, Biomedical Science, University of NM, 2014; PhD, Anthropology, University of NM, 2011; Graduate certificate, Biomedical Informatics, Oregon Health & Science University, 2013

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Daneshvari, Berry S, Edgar HJH Development of a large-scale, whole body CT image database. AMIA Annual Symposium Proceedings. 2017: 1951. O'Donnell A, Daneshvari Berry S, Edgar HJH, Can Cephalometrics Discriminate Between the Sexes in a Diverse Juvenile Sample? Journal of Forensic Sciences, 2017 May;62(3):735-740. Norman C. Nelson Order of Teaching Excellence

**Professional Affiliations:** Secretary, Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining Working Group, AMIA; Member at large, MS HIMSS; AMIA; American Association of Physical Anthropologists

**Civic Activities:** Making Strides of Central Mississippi

**Family Information:** Spouse: Phillip Berry; Son: Everett Berry

**Hometown:** Topanga, CA



# UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

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HATTIESBURG, MS  
PRESIDENT: RODNEY BENNETT



**CORAI E. JACKSON**  
*Senior*  
*Psychology/Management*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.7 GPA; National Residence Hall Honorary Society; President's List; Dean's List; Psi Chi; Order of Omega Greek; Beta Chapter, Lambda Sigma

**College Honors Held:** Ronald E. McNair Post-baccalaureate Achievement Scholar; Luckyday Scholar; Clyde Kennard Scholar; Jump Scholar; Psychology Scholar; Eagle Scholar; Peggy Jean Heart of Hattiesburg Finalist; Most Outstanding Freshman Female

**Career Goals:** I aspire to obtain a career as an industrial-organizational psychologist for a government agency, specifically the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I hope to couple my personal and educational experiences in the area of human resource management as a director of leadership and development. Ultimately it is my desire to train executive directors to develop their communication and leadership styles.

**High School:** Center Hill High School, Olive Branch, MS

**Family Information:** Mother: Yolanda Jackson

**Hometown:** Jackson, MS



**DAVIN J. WALLACE**  
*Assistant Professor, Marine Science*

*Years of service at this institution: 5.5 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 8.5*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BS, Cum Laude, Geology and German, Tulane University, 2006

**Graduate:** PhD, Earth Science, Rice University, 2010

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Published over 20 peer reviewed papers; Raised over \$1 million dollars in extramural funding throughout career; National Science Foundation EAR Postdoctoral Fellow; National Academy of Sciences Gulf Research Program Early-Career Research Fellow; University of Southern MS Faculty Senate; Junior Faculty Research Award

**Professional Affiliations:** Geological Society of America; American Geophysical Union

**Civic Activities:** Krewe de Paws; Basketball Mentor

**Family Information:** Spouse: Maria Wallace

**Hometown:** Slidell, LA

# WESLEY BIBLICAL SEMINARY

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JACKSON, MS  
PRESIDENT: JOHN E. NEIHOF, JR.



**PRESTON WHITE**  
*Masters of Divinity (General)*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.4 GPA

**Career Goals:** Upon completion of my Masters, I hope to pursue a career in Family/Youth related ministry. Ultimately, I am open to wherever it is the Lord leads.

**High School:** Union Academy Georgetown, MS

**Family Information:** Spouse: Rhonie White; Children: Harlow and Oliver White

**Hometown:** Hazlehurst, MS



**CHRIS LOHRSTORFER**  
*Associate Professor, Wesleyan Theology*

*Years of service at this institution: 8 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 25*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** BA, Pastoral Ministry, Wesley College, 1990

**Graduate:** MA, Theology, Wesley Biblical Seminary, 1995; PhD, Historical Theology, University of Manchester, 2006

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Learning to Breathe: Mastering the Art of Spiritual Respiration, 2018, Telos Press; There's No Place Like Home, 2016, Telos Press

**Professional Affiliations:** Vice President Academic Affairs, Wesley Biblical Seminary

**Civic Activities:** Pastor, Hinds Church, Raymond, MS

**Family Information:** Spouse; Mary Lohrstorfer; Children: Diana and Nicolas Lohrstorfer

**Hometown:** Raymond, MS

# WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY

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HATTIESBURG, MS  
PRESIDENT: TOMMY KING



**PRISCILA JAY RENARD**

*Senior*

*Mathematics/Secondary Education*

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Alpha Chi; Alpha Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma scholarship; President's List

**College Honors Held:** President, KME; Translator, research concerning Autism

**Career Goals:** I aspire to become a High School Math Teacher and continue my education to obtain my Master's Degree.

**High School:** Brasilia International School, Brasilia, DF, Brazil

**Family Information:** Parents: Jeff and Sharon Renard

**Hometown:** Niteri, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil



**JANIE PITTMAN BOWER**

*Instructor, Mathematics*

*Years of service at this institution: 19 • Years of Service in Higher Education: 19*

**Academic Credentials:**

**Undergraduate:** AA, Mathematics, Jones County Junior College, 1975; BS, Mathematics, William Carey University, 1977

**Graduate:** MEd, Mathematics, William Carey University, 1980; National Board Certified Teacher, Mathematics, 1999

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Nominee, Presidential Award; Who's Who Among America's Teachers; National Honor Roll's Outstanding American Teachers; Who's Who in American Education; William Carey University Shoe Leather Award

**Professional Affiliations:** MS Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators; National Council of Teachers of Mathematics; MS Council of Teachers of Mathematics; MS Professional Educators; President, Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary, Alpha Delta Kappa

**Civic Activities:** Sanctuary Choir, Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, MS; Pine Belt United Worship Choir; Supporter, Hub City Humane Society

**Family Information:** Spouse: Ted Bower

**Hometown:** Ellisville, MS

# STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

THE HONORABLE PHIL BRYANT, GOVERNOR

## THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE 2016-19 SENATE

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Senator	District	Counties Represented	Senator	District	Counties Represented
Chris Massey	1	DeSoto	Chris Caughman	35	Copiah, Rankin, Simpson
David L. Parker	2	DeSoto	Albert Butler	36	Claiborne, Copiah, Hinds, Jefferson
Nickey Browning	3	Benton, Pontotoc, Union	Bob M. Dearing	37	Adams, Amite, Franklin, Pike
Rita Potts Parks	4	Alcorn, Tippah	Tammie Witherspoon	38	Adams, Amite, Pike, Walthall, Wilkinson
JP Wilemon, Jr.	5	Itawamba, Prentiss, Tishomingo	Sally Doty	39	Copiah, Lawrence, Lincoln, Walthall
Chad McMahan	6	Itawamba, Lee	Angela Burks Hill	40	Marion, Pearl River
Hob Bryan	7	Itawamba, Lee, Monroe	Joey Fillingane	41	Covington, Forrest, Jefferson Davis, Lamar, Smith
Russell Jolly	8	Calhoun, Chickasaw, Lee, Pontotoc, Yalobusha	Chris McDaniel	42	Forrest, Jones
Gray Tollison	9	Lafayette, Panola	Dennis DeBar Jr	43	George, Greene, Wayne
Neil S. Whaley	10	Marshall, Tate	John A. Polk	44	Lamar, Pearl River
Robert L. Jackson	11	Coahoma, Panola, Quitman, Tunica	Billy Hudson	45	Forrest, Perry
Derrick T. Simmons	12	Bolivar, Coahoma, Washington	Philip Moran	46	Hancock, Harrison
Willie Simmons	13	Bolivar, Sunflower, Tallahatchie	Joseph M. Seymour	47	Jackson, Pearl River, Stone
Lydia Graves Chassaniol	14	Attala, Carroll, Grenada, Leflore, Montgomery, Panola, Tallahatchie, Yalobusha	Deborah Dawkins	48	Harrison
Gary Jackson	15	Choctaw, Montgomery, Oktibbeha, Webster	Sean J. Tindell	49	Harrison
Angela Turner Ford	16	Clay, Lowndes, Noxubee, Oktibbeha	Tommy Gollott	50	Harrison
Charles A. Younger	17	Lowndes, Monroe	Michael Watson	51	Jackson
Jenifer B. Branning	18	Leake, Neshoba, Winston	Bruce Wiggins	52	Jackson
Kevin Blackwell	19	DeSoto, Marshall			
Josh Harkins	20	Rankin			
Barbara Blackmon	21	Attala, Holmes, Madison, Yazoo			
Eugene Clarke	22	Bolivar, Humphreys, Madison, Sharkey, Washington, Yazoo			
Briggs W. Hopson, III	23	Issaquena, Warren, Yazoo			
David Jordan	24	Grenada, Holmes, Humphreys, Leflore, Tallahatchie			
J. Walter Michel	25	Hinds, Madison			
John Horhn	26	Hinds, Madison			
Hillman Frazier	27	Hinds			
Sollie Norwood	28	Hinds			
David Blount	29	Hinds			
Dean Kirby	30	Rankin			
Terry Burton	31	Lauderdale, Newton, Scott			
Sampson Jackson, II	32	Kemper, Lauderdale, Noxubee, Winston			
Videt Carmichael	33	Clarke, Lauderdale			
Juan Barnett	34	Forrest, Jasper, Jones			

# STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

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## THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE 2016-19 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPRESENTATIVE PHILIP GUNN, SPEAKER

REPRESENTATIVE GREG SNOWDEN, SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

Representative	District	Counties Represented	Representative	District	Counties Represented
Lester Carpenter	1	Alcorn, Tishomingo	Gary Chism	37	Clay, Lowndes, Oktibbeha
Nick Bain	2	Alcorn	Chaikh Taylor	38	Clay, Lowndes, Oktibbeha
William T. Arnold	3	Alcorn, Prentiss	Jeffrey C. Smith	39	Lowndes, Monroe
Jody Stevenson	4	Alcorn, Tippah	Ashley Henley	40	DeSoto
John Faulkner	5	Benton, Lafayette, Marshall, Tate	Kabir Karriem	41	Lowndes
Dana Criswell	6	DeSoto	Carl L. Mickens	42	Lowndes, Noxubee, Winston
Steve Hopkins	7	DeSoto	Rob Robertson	43	Oktibbeha, Winston
John Thomas			C. Scott Bounds	44	Leake, Neshoba
"Trey" Lamar, III	8	Lafayette, Tate	Michael T. Evans	45	Kemper, Lauderdale, Neshoba, Winston
Cedric Burnett	9	Coahoma, Quitman, Tate, Tunica	Karl Oliver	46	Carroll, Grenada, Leflore, Montgomery, Webster
Nolan Mettetal	10	Lafayette, Panola, Tallahatchie	Bryant W. Clark	47	Attala, Holmes, Yazoo
Lataisha Jackson	11	Panola, Tate	Jason White	48	Attala, Carroll, Holmes, Leake
Jay Hughes	12	Lafayette	Willie L. Bailey	49	Washington
Steve Massengill	13	Benton, Lafayette, Marshall, Union	John W. Hines	50	Bolivar, Issaquena, Washington
Margaret Ellis Rogers	14	Union	Rufus Straughter	51	Humphreys, Sharkey, Yazoo
Mac Huddleston	15	Pontotoc	Bill Kinkade	52	DeSoto, Marshall
Steve Holland	16	Lee, Monroe	Vince Mangold	53	Franklin, Jefferson Davis, Lawrence, Lincoln, Pike
Shane Aguirre	17	Lee	Kevin Ford	54	Issaquena, Warren, Yazoo
Jerry R. Turner	18	Lee, Prentiss, Union	Oscar Denton	55	Warren
Randy P. Boyd	19	Itawamba, Lee	Philip Gunn	56	Hinds, Madison
Chris Brown	20	Itawamba, Lee, Monroe	Edward Blackmon, Jr.	57	Madison
Donnie Bell	21	Itawamba, Tishomingo	Joel Bomgar	58	Madison
Preston E. Sullivan	22	Chickasaw, Pontotoc	Brent Powell	59	Rankin
Jim Beckett	23	Calhoun, Grenada, Lafayette, Webster	Fred Shanks	60	Rankin
Jeff Hale	24	Desoto	Ray Rogers	61	Rankin
Dan Eubanks	25	DeSoto	Tom Weathersby	62	Copiah, Rankin, Simpson
Orlando Paden	26	Bolivar, Coahoma	Deborah Butler Dixon	63	Hinds, Warren, Yazoo
Kenneth Walker	27	Attala, Leake, Madison, Yazoo	Bill Denny, Jr.	64	Hinds, Madison
Robert Foster	28	DeSoto	Christopher M. Bell	65	Hinds
Abe M. Hudson, Jr.	29	Bolivar, Sunflower	Jarvis Dortch	66	Hinds
Tracey T. Rosebud	30	Bolivar, Quitman, Sunflower, Tallahatchie	Earle S. Banks	67	Hinds
Otis Anthony	31	Bolivar, Humphreys, Sunflower, Washington	Credell Calhoun	68	Hinds, Rankin
Vacant	32	Leflore	Alyce Griffin Clarke	69	Hinds
Tommy Reynolds	33	Grenada, Tallahatchie, Yalobusha	Kathy Sykes	70	Hinds
Kevin Horan	34	Carroll, Grenada, Holmes, Leflore, Tallahatchie	Vacant	71	Hinds
Joey Hood	35	Attala, Choctaw, Webster, Winston	Debra Hendricks Gibbs	72	Hinds, Madison
Karl Gibbs	36	Clay, Monroe	Cory Wilson	73	Madison
			Mark Baker	74	Rankin
			Tom Miles	75	Rankin, Scott
			Greg Holloway, Sr.	76	Claiborne, Copiah, Hinds

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THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE  
2016-19 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, CONT

Representative	District	Counties Represented	Representative	District	Counties Represented
Price Wallace	77	Rankin, Simpson	Richard Bennett	120	Harrison
Randy Rushing	78	Leake, Newton, Scott	Carolyn Crawford	121	Harrison
Mark K. Tullos	79	Jasper, Smith	David Baria	122	Hancock
Omeria Scott	80	Clarke, Jasper, Jones			
Steve Horne	81	Clarke, Lauderdale			
Charles Young, Jr.	82	Lauderdale			
Greg Snowden	83	Lauderdale			
William Shirley	84	Clarke, Jasper, Newton			
Jeffery Harness	85	Claiborne, Franklin, Jefferson, Warren			
Shane Barnett	86	Greene, Perry, Wayne			
Chris Johnson	87	Forrest, Lamar			
Gary V. Staples	88	Jasper, Jones			
Donnie Scoggin	89	Jones			
Noah Sanford	90	Covington, Jefferson Davis, Simpson			
Bob Evans	91	Copiah, Covington, Jefferson Davis, Lawrence, Simpson			
Becky Currie	92	Copiah, Lawrence, Lincoln			
Timmy Ladner	93	Hancock, Pearl River, Stone			
Robert L. Johnson, III	94	Adams, Franklin, Jefferson			
Patricia Willis	95	Hancock, Harrison			
Angela Cockerham	96	Adams, Amite, Pike, Wilkinson			
Sam C. Mims, V	97	Adams, Amite, Franklin, Pike			
David W. Myers	98	Pike, Walthall			
Bill Pigott	99	Lamar, Marion, Walthall			
Ken Morgan	100	Lamar, Marion			
Vacant	101	Lamar			
Missy McGee	102	Forrest, Lamar			
Percy W. Watson	103	Forrest			
Larry Byrd	104	Forrest			
Roun S. McNeal	105	George, Greene, Perry			
John Glen Corley	106	Lamar, Pearl River			
Doug McLeod	107	George, Stone			
Stacey Wilkes	108	Pearl River			
Manly Barton	109	George, Jackson			
Jeramey Anderson	110	Jackson			
Charles Busby	111	Jackson			
John Read	112	Jackson			
Henry Zuber, III	113	Jackson			
Jeffrey S. Guice	114	Harrison, Jackson			
Randall Patterson	115	Harrison			
Casey Eure	116	Harrison			
Scott DeLano	117	Harrison			
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Sonya Williams-Barnes	119	Harrison			



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