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Curriculum Vitae

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Professional Profile:

A first-generation college graduate who desires to provide institutional leadership, enhance faculty development, and cultivate student engagement and learning in higher education. For faculty members, I am dedicated to helping to support scholarship and research, encouraging interdisciplinary engagement, and expanding academic opportunities for all. I am a student-centric leader who believes that student success is the core of all we do and gained from enriched faculty-student relationships. As we approach a new era of education, I am committed to identifying best practices for online-hybrid-F2F instructional delivery and re-engineering the in-person experience. Enthusiastic about elevating the university's mission and helping to cultivate an academic culture that is influential in training the next generation of leaders.

Formal Education:

- Ph.D., 2007 Political Science, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana.
Dissertation Title: *African-American Legislators Post-Katrina: Race, Representation, and Voting Rights Issues in the Louisiana House.*
Committee: Richard L. Engstrom (Chair), Christine L. Day, and Edward E. Chervenak
- M.S., 1998 Criminology and Criminal Justice, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida.
Thesis Title: *Gangsta Rap and Its Effects on Black Youth.*
Advisor: Evelyn Zellerer; Outside Reader: Daniel Maier-Katkin and William R. Jones
- B.G.S., 1997 General Studies, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Leadership Training:

Harvard University: Professional Development

- 2023 *Leadership Coaching Strategies* – A leadership program that provides leadership coaching strategies to help navigate challenges and maximize performance.
- 2023 *Behavioral Decision Making* – A leadership program that uses the frameworks of choice architecture to examine the decision-making process; learn how this framing can influence decisions.
- 2022 *Managing Yourself and Leading Others* – A leadership program that focuses on the fundamentals of managing yourself, leading teams, and motivating others to accomplish your company's goals.
- 2021 *Building Organizational Cultures: A Framework for Leaders* – A leadership program that critically assesses how culture affects organizations; learn how to create an environment that promotes the advancement of people.

2021 *Becoming a Leader: Developing Your Style and Making Sound Decisions* – A leadership program that explores the symbiotic relationship between decision-making and leadership to maximize organizational performance.

Texas Academic Leadership Academy (TALA)

2020-2021 Sam Houston State University, in partnership with the Texas Council of Chief Academic Officers (TCCAO), designed this yearlong, interactive leadership experience. TALA enhances the leadership skills and capacities of new and mid-level academic leaders in higher education institutions.

Ruth J. Simmons Leadership Symposium

2019 A leadership symposium that offered career development for higher education, faculty, and staff. Designed to meet the management and leadership challenges in higher education.

Academic Experience:

2019 – Present Professor of Political Science (with tenure): Prairie View A&M University.

2013 – 2019 Associate Professor of Political Science (with tenure): University of Houston - Clear Lake.

2009 – 2013 Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Houston - Clear Lake.

2006 – 2009 Assistant Professor: Department of Political Science, Wichita State University.

Administrative Experience:

2020 – 2023 *Inaugural* Director of the Mellon Center for Faculty Excellence, Office of the Provost, Prairie View A&M University.

2019 – 2021 *Interim* Associate Dean in the Marvin D. and June Samuel Brailsford College of Arts and Sciences, Prairie View A&M University.

2013 – 2014 *Interim* Program Director (Chair and Undergraduate Advisor): Public Service Leadership program, University of Houston - Clear Lake.

2009 – 2013 Program Director (Chair and Undergraduate Advisor): Political Science program, University of Houston - Clear Lake.

General Research and Teaching Interests:

- American Political Institutions - American Government (Politics), State and Urban Politics, Public Administration, Legislative Process, American Presidency, and Executive-Congressional Relations.

- Urban and Minority Politics - Racial and Ethnic Politics, African-American Politics I & II, African-American History and Culture, Black Masculinity, Sexualities and Gender, and Theory & Dynamics of Racism and Oppression

Academic Publications:

Monograph Books

2025. Hoston, William T. *The Fight for Black Liberation: Breaking the Political Strings in the Trump Era*. Santa Barbara, CA: punctum books.

2018. Hoston, William T. *Toxic Silence: Race, Black Gender Identity, and Addressing the Violence against Black Transgender Women in Houston*. New York, NY: Peter Lang Publishing.

- 2019 Lambda Literary Award Winner in the *LGBTQ Studies* category
- 2019 Honorable Mention, Sylvia Rivera Award in Transgender Studies
- Reviewed in *OutSmart Magazine* and *CHOICE: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries*
- Featured on Fox 26 Houston, TransGriot.com, Advocate.com, Out.com, the H-Town Progressive podcast, the *Houston Chronicle*, the *Galveston County Daily News*, and in the 2019 Essence Music Festival Bookstore

2018. Hoston, William T. *Listen to Me Now, or Listen to Me Later: A Memoir of Academic Success for College Students* (3rd Ed.). Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt; (2019 reprint for Prairie View A&M University).

2016. Hoston, William T. *Race and the Black Male Subculture: The Lives of Toby Waller*. New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan.

- Reviewed in *Africology: The Journal of Pan African Studies* and *The Social Science Journal*

2014. Hoston, William T. *Black Masculinity in the Obama Era: Outliers of Society*. New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan.

- Reviewed in *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, *The Social Science Journal*, and *CHOICE: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries*

Edited Books (* denotes graduate student)

2022. **Hoston, William T.**, Laurette B. Foster, and Farrah G. Cambrice. (Eds.). *The Crucial Conversation: Educating Through an Anti-Racist Lens*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt. (1st Ed.)

2021. Cambrice, Farrah G., **William T. Hoston**, and Marco Robinson. (Eds.). *Contemporary Debates in Social Justice: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Exploring the Lives of Black and Brown Americans*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt. (1st Ed.)

2019. **Hoston, William T.**, and *Randon R. Taylor. (Eds.). *New Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity: Critical Readings about the Black Experience in Trump's America*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt. (2nd Ed.)

2018. Hoston, William T. (Ed.). *New Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity: Critical Readings about the Black Experience in Trump's America*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt. (1st Ed.)

Books in Preparation

'The Hill' We Climbed: Prairie View A&M University (w/ W. G., Eds.). In Production w/ Texas A&M University Press. [expected May 2026]

The Quest for Justice: Activism at Prairie View A & M University (w/ W. G., Eds.). In Production w/ Texas Tech University Press.

Black Profiles in Greatness: A Legacy of Prairie View A&M University (Vol. I, Ed.). In Progress. (Under Contract w/ Texas Tech University Press)

Black Profiles in Greatness: A Legacy of Prairie View A&M University (Vol. II, Ed.). In Progress.

From “The Hill” to “The Hall”: An Anthology on Prairie View Sports (Vol. I, Monograph). In Progress.
(Under Contract w/ Kendall/Hunt)

Billy’s Boys: The Golden Age of Prairie View Football (Monograph). In Progress.

Alvin I. Thomas: The Life of a Prairie View President (Monograph). In Progress.

We Must All Be Kunta Kinte’s: A Reader on Black Masculinity (Monograph). In Progress.

Special Journal Issue

2023. G., W., **William T. Hoston**, Malachi Crawford, and Marco Robinson. (Eds.). “The Social, Cultural, and Political Contours of the Black and Brown Experience in the Bayou City.” *Southern Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of the South*. Special Edition v. 30, n. 1 (Spring/Summer 2023).

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles (* denotes graduate student)

2024. Taylor, Randon, John W. Murphy, **William T. Hoston**, and Senthujan Senkaiahliyan. “Democratizing AI in Public Administration: Improving Equity through Maximum Feasible Participation.” *AI & Society*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00146-024-02120-w>.

2020. Yi, Se-Hyoung and **William T. Hoston**. “Demystifying Americanness: The Model Minority Myth and The Black-Korean Relationship.” *Journal of Ethnic and Cultural Studies*. (August 2020) 7(2): 68-89. <https://doi.org/10.29333/ejecs/350>.

2017. **Hoston, William T.**, Anna A. Thomas*, Randon R. Taylor*, Debra E. Menconi Clark, and Atoya Eaden*. “Wrongfully Convicted, Rightfully Exonerated: The Lives of Cornelius Dupree Jr. and Anthony Massingill.” *Africology: The Journal of Pan African Studies*. (July 2017) 10(5): 3-19.

2014. Cherry, Stephen M., Amy Lucas, Kim A. Case, and **William T. Hoston**. “Digital Storytelling: Who is White? Assessing Students’ Perceptions of Whiteness through Active Learning Effectiveness and the Construction of Racial Doubt.” *The Journal of Effective Teaching*. (December 2014) 14(3): 68-83.

2012. Hoston, William T. “Black Legislative Politics: Examining the Issue of Voting Rights in the Post-Hurricane Katrina Period.” *The Social Science Journal*. (December 2012) 49(4): 476-484. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.soscij.2012.09.003>.

2012. Hoston, William T. “Post-Katrina Politics: The Influence of Black Political Incorporation in the Louisiana State Legislature.” *Southern Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of the South*. (Spring/Summer 2012) 19(1): 65-84.

2010. **Hoston, William T.**, Shanna Graves & Marche Fleming-Randle. “Individual Practices to Increase the Graduation Rate of African-American Students at Predominantly White Colleges and Universities.” *The Journal of College Orientation and Transition*. (Fall 2010) 18(1): 69-77.

2009. Hoston, William T. “Black Solidarity and Racial Context: An Exploration of the Role of Black Solidarity in U.S. Cities.” *The Journal of Black Studies*. (May 2009) 39(5): 719-731.

2007. Hoston, William T. “The “New Breed” of Black Mayors in the South: An Exploratory Study.” *Southern Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of the South*. (Spring/Summer 2007) 14(1): 1-12.

Book Chapters (* denotes graduate student)

2021. **Hoston, William T.**, and Farrah G. Cambrice. "Wrongful Convictions: Race and Exoneration in the Criminal Justice System." In *Contemporary Debates in Social Justice: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Exploring the Lives of Black and Brown Americans*, 1st Ed., Farrah G. Cambrice, William T. Hoston, and Marco Robinson. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt: pp. 57-67. (Reprint)

2019. Hoston, William T. "Introduction: Dear Trump Supporters." In *New Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity: Critical Readings about the Black Experience in Trump's America*, 2nd Ed., William T. Hoston and Randon R. Taylor*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt: pp. 1-12.

2019. Yi, Se-Hyoung and **William T. Hoston**. "The Challenges and Promises of Black Candidates: Cory Booker, Kamala Harris, and the 2020 Presidential Election." In *New Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity: Critical Readings about the Black Experience in Trump's America*, 2nd Ed., William T. Hoston and Randon R. Taylor*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt: pp. 131-166.

2019. Hoston, William T. "My Son's White Uncles." In *New Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity: Critical Readings about the Black Experience in Trump's America*, 2nd Ed., William T. Hoston and Randon R. Taylor*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt: pp. 167-174.

2018. Hoston, William T. "Introduction: President Donald J. Trump and Black Americans." In *New Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity: Critical Readings about the Black Experience in Trump's America*, 1st Ed., William T. Hoston. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt: pp. 1-14.

2018. **Hoston, William T.**, Randon R. Taylor*, and Shaun M. Anderson. "The Cheat Code: How to Get Away with Murdering an Unarmed Black Male." In *New Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity: Critical Readings about the Black Experience in Trump's America*, 1st Ed., William T. Hoston. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt: pp. 57-70; (Reprinted in the 2nd Edition).

2018. Anderson, Shaun M., **William T. Hoston**, Debra E. Menconi Clark, and Randon R. Taylor*. "Colin Kaepernick: The Revitalization of Black Athlete Activism." In *New Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity: Critical Readings about the Black Experience in Trump's America*, 1st Ed., William T. Hoston. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt: pp. 127-146; (Reprinted in the 2nd Edition).

2016. **Hoston, William T.**, Randon R. Taylor*, Anna A. Thomas*, and Atoya Eaden*. "D.o N.ot. A.ccuse Black Males: The Life of Cornelius Dupree Jr." In *Race and the Black Male Subculture: The Lives of Toby Waller*, Ath., William T. Hoston, New York: Palgrave Macmillan: pp. 129-142.

2013. **Hoston, William T.**, Stephen M. Cherry and Debra E. Clark. "Historical Black Colleges and Universities and Their Draw for 'White' Minority Students: A Lesson from Alumni and History." In *The Plight of Students of Color at Predominantly White Institutions: A Critical Reader*, Ed., Ray Von Robertson. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt: pp. 167-183.

Other Publications:

Book Reviews (* denotes graduate student)

The Great New Orleans Kidnapping Case: Race, Law, and Justice in the Reconstruction Era. By Michael A. Ross. *The Social Science Journal*. (Forthcoming w/Jeslyn Huynh*).

A Different Shade of Justice: Asian American Civil Rights in the South. By Stephanie Hinnertshitz. *Southern Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of the South*. Fall/Winter 2021, 28(2): 67-69.

Visible Man: The Life of Henry Dumas. By Jeffrey B. Leak. *Southern Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of the South*. Fall/Winter 2019, 26(2): 97-100 (w/Carole Sylvers* and Randon R. Taylor*).

A People's War on Poverty: Urban Politics and Grassroots Activists in Houston. By Wesley G. Phelps. *The Social Science Journal*. March 2016, 53(1): 141-142 (w/Randon R. Taylor*).

The Challenge of Blackness: The Institute of the Black World and Political Activism in the 1970s. By White E. Derrick. *Southern Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of the South*. Spring and Summer 2015, 22(1): 120-122 (w/Randon R. Taylor*).

Agitations: Ideologies and Strategies in African-American Politics. By Kevin R. Anderson. *American Review of Politics*. Volume 32(Spring and Summer 2011): 175-177.

Devolution and Black State Legislators: Challenges and Choices in the Twenty-first Century. By Tyson King Meadows and Thomas F. Schaller. *American Review of Politics*. Volume 27(Fall and Winter 2006-2007): 381-383.

Newspaper/Editorials

"Dear Breonna Taylor." *PVAMU*, September 11, 2020 (Friday), Online.

"Revealing a Cultural Truth: Not All Black Lives Matter." *PVAMU*, June 24, 2020 (Wednesday), Online.

"Teaching Juneteenth to a New Generation." *PVAMU*, June 19, 2020 (Friday), Online.

"Post-Election Rant: Can 'We' Unite Now?" *The Signal*, November 14, 2016 (Monday), Online.

"President Obama is NOT a Battle Rapper." *The Signal*, October 29, 2012 (Monday): p. 2.

"Students Understand Importance of the Day." *The Wichita Eagle*, January 20, 2009 (Tuesday): p. 9A.

"Obama's Candidacy Is Fulfilling King's Dream." *The Wichita Eagle*, September 4, 2008 (Thursday): p. 7A.

"Jackson, Sharpton Need to Step Aside." *The Wichita Eagle*, July 22, 2008 (Tuesday): p. 5A.

"Clinton The One Playing Race Card." *The Wichita Eagle*, March 14, 2008 (Friday): p. 7A.

"Young Adults in Primaries, WSU Survey Back Obama." *The Wichita Eagle*, February 3, 2008 (Sunday): p. 11A. (w/ Zachary R. Brown and Christopher N. Hicks).

"Overt Racism Making A Comeback." *The Wichita Eagle*, September 28, 2007 (Friday): p. 7A. Editorial originally entitled, "An Open Letter to Racism." Also printed by *The Community Voice*, October 4, 2007 (Thursday): p. 4.

"Murders Provoking Fear in Community." *The Wichita Eagle*, July 8, 2007 (Sunday): p. 11A.

"Black Folks Are Tired of Racist Comments." *The Community Voice*, April 19, 2007 (Thursday): p. 4.

"Is Wichita an Empowerment Zone?" *The Wichita Eagle*, February 23, 2007 (Friday): p. 7A.

“The Year of the Minority Presidential Candidate.” *The Community Voice*, February 8, 2007 (Thursday): p. 4.

“Could Brewer be a “New Breed” Wichita Mayor?” *The Wichita Eagle*, December 20, 2006 (Wednesday): p. 13A.

“Blacks Shouldn’t Use the N-Word Either.” *The Wichita Eagle*, December 3, 2006 (Sunday): p. 15A.

“The “New” Direction of Kansas Politics.” *The Community Voice*, November 23, 2006 (Thursday): p. 4.

“Do More to Recruit, Retain Minority Faculty at WSU.” *The Wichita Eagle*, November 12, 2006 (Sunday): p. 11A.

“Voter Turnout Too Low for African-Americans.” *The Wichita Eagle*, October 17, 2006 (Tuesday): p. 7A.

“Do Black State Legislators Have the Correct Agenda?” *The Wichita Eagle*, September 28, 2006 (Thursday): p. 9A.

Non-Academic Books:

Poetry and Critical Opinion

Forthcoming. *Black Sh*t: A Reader on Blackatics*. Atlanta, GA: ZL Publishing House & Hoston Enterprises, LLC.

2024. *Someday We’ll All Be Free: Words for My Sons*. Atlanta, GA: ZL Publishing House & Hoston Enterprises, LLC.

2020. *Power to the People: The Time Is Now, Vol. III*. Atlanta, GA: ZL Publishing House & Hoston Enterprises, LLC.

2018. *Power to the People: We Wanted a Revolution, Vol. II*. Atlanta, GA: ZL Publishing House & Hoston Enterprises, LLC.

2018. *Power to the People: Ascending Beyond Racism, Vol. I*. Atlanta, GA: ZL Publishing House & Hoston Enterprises, LLC.

2017. *I Love You, Son: Words to His Soul*. Atlanta, GA: ZL Publishing House & Hoston Enterprises, LLC.

2016, 2015. *Real Niggas in Training (RNIT)*: Atlanta, GA: ZL Publishing House & Hoston Enterprises, LLC.

Children’s Books

2017. *The Magic Beard*. Atlanta, GA: ZL Publishing House & Hoston Enterprises, LLC. [English and Spanish versions]

2015. *No Bullies in the Huddle, Vol. I*. Co-written with NFL player, DeSean Jackson. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt; Washington Redskins edition. *Featured on ESPN

2014. *No Bullies in the Huddle, Vol. I*. Co-written with NFL player, DeSean Jackson. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt; Philadelphia Eagles edition. *Featured on The View, ESPN First Take, CNN, 106 and Park, the Arsenio Hall show, and in the 2014 Essence Music Festival Bookstore

Research and Administrative Grants:

- 2018 National Science Foundation Grant, “Deconstructing Black Masculinity in the 21st Century: Models of Expansion.” (Denied, \$184,000)
- 2015 Co-PI (w/Linda Contreras Bullock). “Minority Male Initiatives.” Fund for the academic advancement of minority males on university campuses, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) Minority Male Initiatives project (Denied, \$91,103)
- 2010 – 2011 Faculty Research Support Fund (FRSF), University of Houston-Clear Lake, Houston, Texas, \$4,380. For work on research project, *The Politics of State Government: The Role of Race, Gender and Party in State Legislatures*.
- 2009 New Faculty Research Grant, University of Houston-Clear Lake, Houston, Texas, \$3,500.
- 2007 Dissertation Research Funding, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana, \$1000. For work on dissertation, *African-American Legislators Post-Katrina: Race, Representation, and Voting Rights Issues in the Louisiana House*.

Documentary & Creative Works:

Black Dot in a White World: Critical Discourse among Black Males in the Obama Era, 2013

Available at: <http://vimeo.com/73945114>

Description: This documentary, “Black Dot in a White World,” accompanies the book, “Black Masculinity in the Obama Era: Outliers of Society” (2014). It expands the discussion of the economic, social, and political plight of Black males in the Obama Era. In the era of the first Black president, Barack H. Obama, this documentary explores the impact of the “Obama Effect” and whether the presence of a Black male president has helped to reduce the negative perceptions of Black males and increased Black male achievement. In the documentary, Black males were asked, “What does it mean to be a Black male in the 21st Century?” From their responses, a substantial and controversial contribution to American discourse shaped by their perspectives was born. The content is raw, uncut, eye opening, and takes a no-holds-barred approach to gain the attention of a wider audience and a greater majority of Black males that could benefit from the content in such a documentary.

Invited Film Presentations

- San Jacinto College, Central Campus: Houston, Texas; September 23, 2013
- A Closer Look, Radio Program, 90.9FM KTSU: Houston, Texas; September 28, 2013
- University of Houston – Clear Lake, Houston, Texas; October 12, 2013
- Rice University, Houston, Texas; November 7, 2013
- University of Houston – Clear Lake, Houston, Texas; February 19, 2014
- Jackson State University, *JSU International Film Festival*, Jackson, Mississippi; April 9, 2014
- Texas Southern University, Houston, Texas; May 1, 2014
- Reginald F. Lewis Museum, Baltimore, MD; June 5, 2016

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