### **EDUCATION**

PhD English, African American Literature and Black Gender Studies (2024) Dissertation: "Black Men and White Masks: Investigating the Literary Transformation from Hegemonic Masculinity to Progressive Black Masculinities in 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> Century African American Literature"

MA English, Language, Literature, and Composition (2016) Thesis: "The Representation of Black Men in Black Literature and Film"

BA English, Secondary Certification (2011)

# ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

### Instructor, Howard University

Fall 2022- Current Courses: ENGW ENGW 102: Introduction to Expository Writing and Literacy Studies, ENGW 103: Persuasive Writing and Research, and ENGW 104: Writing, Literacy, & Discourse

### Professional Tutor, Harrisburg Area Community College

Summer 2018- Current Areas: Developmental Writing, ENGL 101, 102, and Teacher Education

## Instructor, Bowie State University

Fall 2020 to Spring 2021 Courses: ENGL 101 and ENGL 102

## Instructor, Baltimore City Community College

Fall 2019 Course: ENGL 102

## **Doctoral Teaching Assistant, Morgan State University of Pennsylvania**

Fall 2018 to Spring 2022 Courses: ENGL 101 and ENGL 102

#### Instructor, Millersville University of Pennsylvania

Spring 2017 Course: ENGL 334: African American Literature II

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Black Men and White Masks: Investigating the Literary Transformation of Hegemonic Masculinity to Progressive Black Masculinities in 20th-21st Century African American Literature. Morgan State University Doctoral Dissertation May 2024

"No Country for Men: The Functionality of Female Characters in Toni Morrison." *E-News for You: The Official Newsletter for the Office Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.* Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and Penn State College of Medicine March 2018

"The Representation of African American Men in Black Literature." Millersville University Research Thesis May 2016

## **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

**2024**- Morgan State University Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Graduate Symposium (WGST-GS) Baltimore, MD, Presenter

**2022**- Modern Language Association (MLA) Annual Convention, Washington, D.C, Volunteer

**2019** African Studies Association of Africa Third Biennial Conference, Unites States International University-Africa, Nairobi, Kenya, Presenter

2018- Ford-Turpin Symposium, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD, Presenter

2018- Wilson College Humanities Conference, Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pa, Presenter

**2017**- Celebrating African American Literature and Language Conference, Pennsylvania State University State College, Pa., Session Moderator

2017- UMOJA Conference, Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, PA, Presenter

2016- UMOJA Conference, Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, PA, Presenter

## ADMINISTRATION

## **Co-Advisor, Sigma Tau Delta International English Honors Society- Theta Theta Chapter** Howard University, Fall 2022

Responsibilities: Serve as a co-advisor, serve on the planning committee for the organization's inaugural "Composition, Rhetoric, and Research in AI" conference.

#### Advisor, Howard University Baltimore Club

Responsibilities: Help create the constitution and by-laws for the creation of the club. Howard University, Fall 2022

## Founder & CEO, Petty Professor Writing Services, LLC.

2021- Current

Description: Petty Professor Writing Services, LLC is an educational consulting firm geared towards helping secondary and post-secondary students master the writing process. We know

that writing can be a scary subject. We are here to provide tools and strategies to help students conquer their writing fears.

### **Director of Education, Harrisburg Abraxas Student Academy**

2016-2018

Responsibilities: Supervised schoolwide curriculum for a secondary level alternative education program. Supervised a team of teachers and support staff.

# Undergraduate Advisor, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.- Nu Sigma Zeta Chapter

Spring 2008- Current

Responsibilities: Advise collegiate members of the organization through the supervision of business meetings, on-campus events, community service, and academic support. The advisor ensures that collegiate members are abiding by the policies and procedures of the organization's governing body.