

## **Curriculum Vita**

**CAROLYN M. CROSS**

### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

Ph.D. Candidate, Regent University, Virginia Beach, VA, 2018-  
Present Expected graduation: Fall 2024

Primary area of study: Culture and Communication and Intercultural  
Communication

Committee Chair: Terilyn Goins, Ph.D.

Certificate of Completion, Diversity and Inclusion Institute, Eastern Washington  
University, Cheney, WA, 2019.

Professor: Mark Orbe, Western Michigan University, Michigan

M.A. in Speech Communication, Texas Southern  
University, Houston, TX, 2013.

Primary area of study: Interpersonal Communication

M.Ed. in Education, Prairie View A&M University,  
Prairie View, TX, 2009.

Primary area of study: Education Administration

B.S., Lamar University, Beaumont, TX, 2006.

Major: Mass Communication

### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Director, Honors College, Houston Community College, 2021-present.

Professor of Speech Communication, Houston Community College, 2015-present.

Adjunct Instructor of Speech Communication, Texas Southern University, 2018-2022.

Adjunct Professor of Communication, Lone Star College, 2012-2020.

Associate Professor of Communication, The University of Arizona-Global  
Campus, 2015-2021

Adjunct Professor of Communication, North American University, 2017-2019

Speech Communication Teacher, Aldine Independent School District, 2007-2015

### **HIGER EDUCATION TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Houston Community College (2015-Present)**

Undergraduate Level

Interpersonal Communication  
Introduction to Communication  
Business and Professional Communication  
Public Speaking  
Introduction to Mass Communication

**Texas Southern University (2018-Present)**

Undergraduate Level

Business and Professional Communication  
Public Address  
Urban Rhetoric  
Introduction to Media Research  
Introduction to Communication Studies  
Intercultural Communication

**Lone Star College (2012-Present)**

Undergraduate Level

Business and Professional Communication  
Interpersonal Communication  
Introduction to Communication

**The University of Arizona  
Global Campus (2015-2024)**

Undergraduate Level

Oral Communication  
Introduction to Communication  
Persuasion and Communication

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATION & PUBLICATIONS**

Cross, C. M. (2021). Intergroup dialogue: A pedagogical tool for continuous allyship for Black women. *Women's Studies in Communication*, 44(2), 151-155.

November 2020. Paper Presentation. *He Said He Wasn't Gonna Tell Nobody: The Rhetoric of James Cone*. National Communication Association 106<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention.

November 2019. Panel Presenter. *But we both Black....Black Professors Surviving a Predominantly White Institution with Black Students, Communication Strategies for Student Engagement, Check Yo' Stuff: A Roundtable on the Contemporary Challenges to Coalition-building in Precarious Times*. National Communication Association 105<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention.

April 2019. Poster Presentation. *You've Officially Been Chopped and Screwed: A Cultural Analysis of DJ Screw's Societal Impact on Media and America's, Moment to Come to Jesus: Common's Letter to the Free – A Rhetorical Analysis*. Broadcasting Education Association: Grand Plans and Great Expectations Graduate Research Showcase. Las Vegas, NV.

March 2019. Conference Presenter. *Cultural Competency and Diversity in the Classroom*.

Houston Community College Faculty Conference. Houston, TX.

February 2019. Symposium Presenter. *Words Matter in the Classroom*. Diversity and Inclusion Institute. Houston, TX.

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PEDAGOGY TRAINING**

November 2019. National Communication Association. Baltimore, MD. *Short Courses: Theorizing and Thriving Teaching Communication Online, Teaching Public Speaking Online*.

May 2019. Diversity and Inclusion Institute. Eastern Washington University. Cheney, WA.

March 2019. Houston Community College Faculty Conference. Houston, TX.

November 2018. National Communication Association. Salt Lake City, UT.

July 2018. Institute for Faculty Development-National Communication Association. Denison University. Granville, Ohio. *Seminar: Communicating about Taboo Topics-Mark Orbe*

April 2017. Faculty Women of Color Conference. Virginia Tech University. Blacksburg, VA.

February 2017. Houston Community College Faculty Conference. Houston, TX.

November 2016. National Communication Association. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

### **SERVICE/INVOLVEMENT**

#### **Discipline**

2019- Book Reviewer. Business and Professional Communication-Putting People First. McGraw-Hill Education.

2019. Competitive Paper/Panel Reviewer. African American Communication and Culture Group. National Communication Association.

#### **Departmental**

##### **Communication Program Coordinator**

Speech Communication Department-Houston Community College (Fall 2019-Present)

- Serve at the pleasure of the department to head and coordinate all program assessment activities for the department.
  - Ensure assessment occurs in degree granting program for the speech communication department.
  - Map courses in each program to student learning outcomes for program and college.
  - Create and review assessment reports.
  - Lead faculty through assessment discussions and implement faculty

- plans for student assessment.
- Other duties related to assessment as needed.

#### Hiring Committee

Speech Communication Department-Houston Community College (Spring 2018)

- Participated in search and hiring activities for speech communication department.

#### Communication Colloquium Committee Chair

Speech Community College Department-Houston Community College (Fall 2015)

- Plan and implement HCC's first technology and communication colloquium.
- Manage and secure guest speakers regarding implementing technology and effective communication skills in the classroom.

### **AWARDS**

Houston Community College Faculty Teaching Excellence Award Nomination (May 2019).

Lone Star College Academic Service Award (2013).

Aldine Independent School District Teacher of the Year Finalist (2012).

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

National Communication Association

Western States Communication Association

Southern States Communication Association

Texas Association of Community Colleges

Texas Speech Communication Association

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.