

# Derrick DeWayne Lathan

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## EDUCATION

- 2019 Ph.D. **Sociology** - Louisiana State University  
Foci: Race, Race and Education, Black Identity
- 2014 B.F.A. **Graphic Design** - Louisiana State University

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### *Work Experience*

- 2018 **Youth Development Coordinator**, STAR, Baton Rouge
- 2017 – Present **Guest Contributor**, Sunkissed Fame
- 2017 - Present **Bridge Coordinator**, Upward Bound, Louisiana State University
- 2016 - 2017 **Research Associate**, MetroMorphosis
- 2014 - Present **Graduate Assistant, Louisiana State University**, Ronald McNair Scholars Program
- 2014 - 2015 **Intern**, Upward Bound, Louisiana State University
- 2013 – Present **Tutor/Mentor, Louisiana State University**, Upward Bound – Algebra I and II, Geometry
- 2013 - 2014 **Tutor, Louisiana State University**, Student Support Services - Math, Biology, and Design
- 2010 - 2011 **Tutor/Mentor**, Conceive It Achieve It – Middle School Math

### *Teaching Experience*

- Summer 2017 **Geometry Instructor**, Upward Bound, Louisiana State University
- Fall 2016 **Guest Lecturer**, Louisiana State University, Sociology 2000 (Poverty lecture)
- Summer 2016 **Algebra Instructor**, Upward Bound, Louisiana State University
- Spring 2016 **Co-Instructor**, Louisiana State University, African and African American Studies 2000

## RESEARCH PROJECTS AND GRANTS

- Givens, Joseph, **Derrick D. Lathan**. 2017. Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program, US Department of Education, \$1.35 Million.
- Thomas, Danielle J., **Derrick D. Lathan**, and Ashley N. Maryland. 2016. "The Educational Plight of Black Men and Boys in Baton Rouge: A Critical Demography Perspective." In Horton, H.D., Martin, L., & Fasching-Varner, K.J. (Eds.), *Race, Population Studies, and America's Public Schools: A Critical Demography Perspective*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books.
- Harris, Vincent, **Derrick D. Lathan**, and Chaunda Allen. 2015. "Bruh... You Gay?: Examining the Peer Interactions of Gay and Straight Black Male College Students Attending a Predominantly White Institution in the South." [Publication Pending]
- Lathan, Derrick D.** In Progress. "Digitizing Blackness: An Exploration of Racial Implications of Emoji Usage." Principal Investigator. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** In Progress. "Hard Work Pays Off: High School Seniors Balancing Employment and Education." Principal Investigator. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** *African Americans and the Influences of Media Representations at a Predominantly White Institution in Southern Louisiana*. Louisiana State University. Principal Investigator.

## PRESENTATIONS AND PANELS

- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2017. Cultural Appropriation. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2017. Black Lives Matter: Black Greek Life and Media References. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2017. National Pan-Hellenic Council: Colorblind – Lightskin vs. Darkskin Forum. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2016. Black Artist Initiative: Don't Touch My Hair. Louisiana State University.
- Givens, Joseph, **Derrick D. Lathan**. 2015. "Thought Leadership." Multicultural Student Leadership Conference. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2015. Justice Together: Microaggression. Louisiana State University.

- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2015. Theta Kappa Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc.: Sexual Assault on College Campuses. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2013. Springfest: Student Diversity. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2013. Real Talk- You're Coming to College. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2013. Black Masculinity in America: A Sideline Story Pt. II. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2013. "Effects of Representation and Images: Success at a PWI." Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference. Texas A&M University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2012. "Effects of Representation and Images: Success at a PWI." Multicultural Student Leadership Conference. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2012. "Experiences of LSU African American Male Undergrads." National Summit on African American Male Educational Success. Louisiana State University.
- Lathan, Derrick D.** 2012 & 2011. BMLI Preview Day. Black Male Leadership Initiative. Louisiana State University.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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| 2018        | Warner Scholars Program  |
| 2017        | NAACP Image Award: upGRADed Nominee                            |
| 2016        | Shine Your Light Talent Showcase Winner                        |
| 2015        | Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Humanitarian Award              |
| 2015        | LSU BMLI Pourciau & Bennett Leadership Award                   |
| 2015 - 2016 | Upward Bound Outstanding Service Award                         |
| 2013        | SBSLC Poetry Slam  |
| 2012 -2013  | Ronald E. McNair Research Scholars Summer Research Internship  |
| 2012        | Mr. and Miss Imani Pageant scholarship                         |
| 2011- 2014  | Black Faculty & Staff Caucus at LSU Academic Achievement Award |
| 2011        | Showtime at the Cotillion Open Mic Talent Show                 |

## LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AFFILIATIONS

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| 2018 - Present | <b>Vice President</b> , Black Graduate and Professional Student Association  |
| 2017 - Present | <b>Advisor</b> , Black Artist Initiative   |
| 2017 – Present | <b>Associate Editor</b> , DuBois Courier   |
| 2017 – Present | <b>Member</b> , BGPSA - Community Engagement Committee   |
| 2014 - Present | <b>Member</b> , Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc.  |
| 2013 - 2014    | <b>Committee Member</b> , NSF/Innovation through Institutional Integration (I <sup>3</sup> ) Student Governing Council |
| 2013 - 2014    | <b>Participant</b> , Campus Conversations  |
| 2011- 2014     | <b>Scholar</b> , Ronald E. McNair Research Scholars Program  |
| 2011 -2012     | <b>Member</b> , Graphic Design Student Association   |
| 2010 -2013     | <b>Alumnus</b> , Black Male Leadership Initiative  |

## SERVICE

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| 2018        | <b>Committee Co-Chair</b> , MLK Commemorative Celebration Committee         |
| 2017        | <b>Co-coordinator</b> , Black Girls Rock                                    |
| 2017        | <b>Volunteer</b> , MLK Commemorative Celebration                            |
| 2016        | <b>Delegate</b> , Urban Congress  |
| 2016        | <b>Data Collection</b> , Urban Congress Press Conference                    |
| 2016        | <b>Co-organizer</b> , #AsAMatterOfFact Forum – SUBR and LSU collaboration   |
| 2015        | <b>Co-organizer</b> , #Mizzou – A Discussion on Where We Belong             |
| 2015        | <b>Volunteer</b> , Youth Oasis Group Home                                   |
| 2015        | <b>Judge</b> , Multicultural Student Leadership Conference                  |
| 2014-2015   | <b>Committee Member</b> , Omega Lamplighters                                |
| 2014 – 2017 | <b>Co-coordinator</b> , New Horizon Head Start Thanksgiving Dinner Giveaway |
| 2014        | <b>Volunteer</b> , Theta Kappa Chapter Preview Day                          |
| 2014        | <b>Volunteer</b> , LSU Geaux Big  |
| 2013 – 2016 | <b>Volunteer</b> , LSU BMLI Preview Day                                     |
| 2011 - 2017 | <b>Volunteer</b> , MLK Day of Service Volunteer                             |

## **PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES**

**Dr. Lori Latrice Martin** – Louisiana State University  
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