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Mission

The mission of the Minority Achievement, Creativity, and High-Ability Center (MACH-III) is to produce cutting-edge best-practices and scholarship that will speak to the contemporary issues impacting critical populations: administration, faculty, and students across the P-20 spectrum and beyond into workplace contexts.

About MACH-III

The MACH-III Center serves as a galvanizing space on the Prairie View Agricultural and Mechanical University (PVAMU) campus to advance the status of minority populations across P-20 education and workplace contexts. We expand and redefine the term “minority” in an effort to set the stage for engaged scholarship that speaks to the assets and potential inherent among populations of color and other marginalized groups. Unique to the MACH-III Center is its positionality within a Minority Serving Institution (MSI) setting. We are committed to advancing the importance of marginalized populations using their own “voices” to speak to the conditions of their own cultural communities.

Strategic Focus

The contributions of the MACH-III Center will be operationalized primarily through six strategic foci that are referred to as vectors.

Vector 1:

Minority Academic Giftedness/High Achievement

Highlights the on-going empirical scholarship that addresses the needs of academically gifted and high-achieving underserved populations

Vector 2:

Black Male Achievement/Success

Contributes to the discourse that highlights best-practices and strategies that support the resilience and success of Black males

Vector 3:

Minority Success in STEM Disciplines/Fields

Develops key solutions to the looming national problem of producing and retaining a STEM workforce

Vector 4:

College and University Faculty Development

Focuses on making theory-to-practice connections for higher education faculty to enhance student learning

Vector 5: Higher Education and Student Affairs

Centers on the critical issues impacting the fields of higher education and student affairs

Vector 6:

Business and Corporate Partnerships

Establishes relationships with business and corporate entities that support minority-serving initiatives, institutions, and interests

Programs & Services

Diversity Training
Educational Summits
Faculty Development (College Teaching)
Lecture Series
Professional Development
Program Evaluations
Research Consulting (Qualitative & Quantitative)
Research Partnerships
Research & Writing Boot Camp

About the Executive Director

Fred A. Bonner II, Ed.D., is Professor, Endowed Chair in Educational Leadership and Counseling and Founding Executive Director of the MACH-III Center at Prairie View A&M University. Dr. Bonner has published articles and book chapters on academically gifted African American male college students, teaching in the multicultural college classroom, diversity issues in student affairs, and success factors influencing the retention of students of color in higher education. His work has been featured nationally and internationally. Bonner was a 2015 Commissioned Lecturer for the U.S. Department of Education and My Brother's Keeper White House National Initiative. He is editor of *Building on Resilience: Models and Frameworks of Black Male Success Across the P-20 Pipeline*, a text noted as being “a much needed and important resource on how to advance the success of Black males in education.”

