

**CURRICULUM VITAE
SHERRY HARPER, MFA**

EDUCATION

PhD, Educational Leadership **Fall 2024 – Current Student**
Prairie View A&M University

Master of Fine Arts, Contemporary Dance **Fall 2008 – Spring 2011**
Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH

Bachelor of Arts, Dramatic Speech and Dance **Fall 2003 – Spring 2007**
Fisk University, Nashville, TN

Web-based Courses **June 2020**
Certified (ITO) Introduction to Teaching Online
Certified (GRQM) Getting Ready for Quality Matters

Certified – First Aid/CPR/AED **Valid until 04/25/25**

Association of College and University Educators (ACUE) **May 2024**
Certified

POSITIONS & APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of the Practice & Dance Director (2013 – Present)

Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, TX

- Responsibilities include instruction at the undergraduate level, student advisement, committee work, university dance productions each semester, assist with university committee programs, direct collegiate dance company (Classic Dance Ensemble), advise student dance organizations, oversee the Dance Minor Program, organize dance conferences and workshops, etc.

- Classes: Ballet I & II, Jazz I & II, Tap I & II, Modern Dance I & II, Folk and Ballroom I & II, Performance – Independent Study, Choreography – Independent Study, Fundamentals of Dance - History, Body Mechanics and Rhythmic Activities, Fundamentals of Basic Movement, and Aerobics (Mode of Instruction: Online and Face-to-Face)

Adjunct Professor National Youth Sports Program (2009 – 2022) *summer contract only*

Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH

- Teach all levels of Modern Dance, Jazz, Hip Hop, and Aerobics
- Production Manager for showcases and served as a counselor, advisor, and instructor.

Adjunct Professor (2015 – 2017)

Lone Star College CyFair, Cypress, Texas

- Responsibilities included instruction at the undergraduate level, choreography for the department of music/theatre/dance, assisted with dance productions each semester
- Classes: Jazz I & II and Dance Appreciation (History)

Dance Instructor/ Choreographer (2012 – 2013)

(T2I) Time to Inspire School of Arts, Snellville, GA and Atlanta, GA

- Choreographed and instructed Ballet, Tap, Jazz, and Contemporary Modern Dance for classes and public events. Provided a wide range of optional play and learning demonstrations to appeal to all children's interests and implemented dance curriculum.

Dance Instructor/ Administration (2011 – 2012)

Georgia Stars Academy of Dance and More, Stone Mountain, GA

- Instructed dance classes for ages 6 to adults in Jazz, Liturgical, Jazz/Hip Hop, and Theatre – "Showbiz Kidz". Taught one-on-one lessons for students, choreographer for public events

Demonstrator/Ballet Instructor (Summer 2007 – 2009)

Gospel Music Workshop of America, Inc. Cincinnati, OH and Orlando, Florida

- Choreographer, Dancer and Instructor for GMWA

Instructor/ Counselor (Summer 2008)

Andrew Jackson - Boys and Girls Club, Nashville, TN

- Provided education, choreography and demonstrations of Modern Dance, Ballet, Jazz, Hip Hop and Aerobics to 30 to 35 boys and girls of all levels during summer program.
- Served as counselor and mentor for ages 6 to 18 years of age.

Modern Dance Instructor (2007 – 2008)

Nashville School of the Arts, Nashville, TN

- Choreographed for school dance productions.
- Developed lesson plans and implemented syllabus for Modern Dance classes.
- Successfully utilized effective oral and written communication to effectively educate students. Assisted in various classrooms throughout Nashville School of the Arts as needed.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Graduation Ceremony Committee

President Lecture Series Board Committee, Black History Month

1 st Vice President, National Board of Directors, Black College Dance Exchange Inc.

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Curriculum Committee, Health and Kinesiology Department (Dance 2014 – 2023)

Grade Appeal Committee, Health and Kinesiology Department,

Women's Committee, Prairie View A&M University,

Judge (Miss PV Pageants), Judge (Auditions and Dance Competitions) Prairie View A&M University, Waller/Brenham/Houston ISD

Administrative Program Events (Committee) – Dance and Performance

Performing Arts "Research" – Dance Productions/Over 100 Choreographic Works (2008 – Present)

American Dance Festival (member)

Black College Dance Exchange, Inc. (member)

American College Dance Association (member)

Phi Epsilon Kappa, Inc. (member)

Chi Tau Epsilon, Inc. (member) – Pi Chapter was established at PVAMU, 2017

Chi Tau Epsilon - Established by the Dance Minor Program at Prairie View A&M University, spring 2020, including a total of ten charter members and one faculty member.

STUDENT ADVISEMENT & MENTORING

Performing Arts – Dance Outreach Programs with Waller/Hempstead/Houston ISD (2013 – Present)

Dance Minor Program Director/Advisor (2013 – Present)

Academic Advisor, Kinesiology Majors, 25 – 35 Undergraduate Students per semester (2014 – 2021)

Academic Advisor, Dance Minors, 15 – 25 Undergraduate Students per semester (2013 – Present)

Artistic/Executive Director – Classic Dance Ensemble, Collegiate Dance Company (2013 – Present)

Chi Tau Epsilon, Pi Chapter (XTE) National Dance Honor Society (2017 – Present)

Coach – Panther Dolls Dance Team (2020 – 2022)

Advisor – Iconic Living Legends (2016 – 2018)

The C.R.E.W. Hip-Hop Dance Organization (2023 – Present)