Adam Edward Smith | Curriculum Vitae

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CURRENT APPOINTMENT

Designing for Equity Manager, EF+Math Program (<u>www.efmathprogram.org</u>)

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

- Adult Education
- Mathematics Education
- Math Content Knowledge of Teachers
- Self-Efficacy
- Self-Efficacy in Mathematics

- Leadership in Education
- Teacher Preparation in Mathematics
- Critical Pedagogy
- Critical Race Theory
- Equity and Education

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Sciences Education (Mathematics emphasis) Minor, Educational Research

University of Southern Mississippi (Hattiesburg, MS)

Expected Graduation: December 2020

Dissertation Title (in progress): Examining the Validity and Reliability of a Math Self-Efficacy Scale for African American Students

M.Ed., Secondary Education (Mathematics Emphasis)

2010-2012

2013-present

Vanderbilt University (Nashville, TN)

B.S., Mathematics 2005-2010

B.A., Music (Vocal Performance)

Tougaloo College (Tougaloo, MS)

Magna Cum Laude

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Designing for Equity Manager

2021-present

EF+Math Program

- Advance organization-wide equity initiatives
- Systematically evaluate equity commitments within and across all organizational dimensions
- Support stakeholder groups in equity knowledge and practice
- Manage Equity Research Advisory Board

Mathematics Curriculum Coordinator

2017-2021

Ferguson-Florissant School District

- Led distinct-wide implementation of Eureka Math curriculum (grades K-5)
- Developed district curricular materials and updated as needed.
- Delivered professional development to teachers and administrators regarding teaching and learning of math.
- Designed and oversaw frameworks for planning and delivering high quality math instruction.
- Developed and oversaw systems and protocols that center equity and opportunity for all students to access rigorous teaching and learning opportunities.
- Modeled high quality and standards aligned lessons.
- Observed and offered feedback for teachers and leaders of math learning.
- Assisted in deepening of teachers' math content knowledge.

Visiting Scholar Summer 2019

Brown University Summer @ Brown Program

- Designed and taught a 2-week course entitled "Million Dollar Mathematics" for high school students in pursuit of careers and studies in mathematics and mathematics related disciplines.
- Maintained an engaging and rigorous learning environment for international students.

Visiting Scholar Summer 2018

Brown University Summer @ Brown Program

- Designed and taught a 2-week course entitled "The Mathematical Proof: Origins, Importance, and Construction" for high school students in pursuit of careers and studies in mathematics and mathematics related disciplines.
- Maintained an engaging and rigorous learning environment for international students.

Adjunct Instructor of Mathematics

2018-present

Harris-Stowe State University

- Developed learning goals, establish learning sequence, and select resources for "Introduction to Statistics".
- Developed instructional activities and assessments, and facilitate opportunities for learning and mastery of content.

Assistant Professor of Mathematics

2015-2017

Tougaloo College

- Taught courses in first-year and second-year mathematics and mathematics education.
- Developed curriculum and assessment materials. Prepared students for careers in K-12 education.

Instructor of Mathematics

2013-2015

Tougaloo College

- Taught courses in first-year and second-year mathematics and mathematics education.
- Developed curriculum and assessment materials. Prepared students for careers in K-12 education.

Math Teacher 2012-2013

Jackson Public School District

- Taught courses in Algebra I and Geometry.
- Prepared students for state-wide Algebra I exam, as part of the Subject Area Testing Program (SATP).
- Earned highest test scores in Algebra I at Lanier High School, AY 2012-2013.

Adjunct Instructor of Mathematics

2012-2013

Tougaloo College

- Taught courses in first-year and second-year mathematics and mathematics education.
- Developed curriculum and assessment materials. Prepared students for careers in K-12 education.

Math Specialist Spring 2012

Meharry Medical College

- Tutored post-baccalaureate students in preparation for the Dental Admissions Test (DAT).
- Provided sample questions and model strategies for approaching test items commonly seen in the Quantitative Reasoning portion of the Test.

Math Student Teacher Spring 2012

Metro Nashville Public Schools

- Taught Precalculus at MLK Academic Magnet School and 7th Grade Math at Oliver Middle School.
- Prepared 7th grade students for the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP)

Math Specialist 2009-2014

Summer Science Program, Tougaloo College

- Developed course curricula and assessments for students (of high school senior and first-year collegiate age) of varying mathematical aptitude.
- Developed interdisciplinary instructional activities to connect mathematics to biology, chemistry, and physics.

PRESENTATIONS

- Smith, A. E. (2021, April 21 May 1). *Mathematical Knowledge for Teaching (MKT): Implications for Practice, Beliefs, and Success* [Speaker Roundtable]. NCTM Virtual 2021 Annual Meeting.
- Smith, A. E. (2021, April 8 -12). *Toward a Redefining of Self-Efficacy in Mathematics That Attends to the Needs of African American Students* [Roundtable Session]. AERA Virtual Annual Meeting https://tinyurl.com/y3goqny7.

- Smith, A. E. (2020, Apr 17 21). Examining the Influence of an Emporium Model Approach on African American Students' Math Self-Efficacy Beliefs [Paper Session]. AERA Annual Meeting San Francisco, CA http://tinyurl.com/qqfcvxw (Conference Canceled).
- Lembke, E. S., Powell, S. R., Ketterlin-Geller, L. R. & **Smith, A. E.** (2020, Apr 17 21). *Improving Teachers' Mathematics Instruction for Middle School Students at Risk/With Disabilities: Collaboration to Support Algebraic Readiness* [Roundtable Session]. AERA Annual Meeting San Francisco, CA http://tinyurl.com/vqtp780 (Conference Canceled).
- Smith, A. E. (2020, Apr 17 21). Examining the Influence of an Emporium Model Approach on African American Students' Math Self-Efficacy Beliefs [Paper Session]. AERA Annual Meeting San Francisco, CA http://tinyurl.com/qqfcvxw (Conference Canceled)
- Smith, A. (2020, February). Connecting Critical Race Theory to Empowering Practice for Math Learners of Color. Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) 2020 Interface Conference, Osage Beach, MO.
- **Smith, A.**, Besse, T. (2020, February). *The Power of Understanding the Impact of Equity and Math Education*. DESE 2020 Interface Conference, Osage Beach, MO.
- **Smith, A.** (2019, February). *Mathematical Self-Efficacy: What It Means for Teaching, Learning, and Success.* DESE 2019 Interface Conference, Osage Beach, MO.
- **Smith, A.** (2019, February). *Mathematical Knowledge for Teaching: Implications for Practice, Beliefs, and Success.* DESE 2019 Interface Conference, Osage Beach, MO.
- Smith, A. (2016, November). Examining African-American Students' Experience in a Computer-Assisted Instructional Learning Environment and Its Effect on Their Mathematical Self-Efficacy Beliefs. National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) Annual Conference, Tampa, FL.
- Smith, A. (2016, October). *Mathematical Self-Efficacy: What It Means for Teaching, Learning, and Success.* Mississippi Council of Teachers of Mathematics (MCTM) Annual Conference, Ellisville, MS.
- Smith, A. (2016, June). Usage of the Emporium Model and Its Effects on Mathematical Self-Efficacy for African American Students Enrolled in Post-Secondary, Developmental Mathematics Courses: A Phenomenological Approach. 2016 STEAM/STEM International Education Conference, Honolulu, HI.
- **Smith, A.** (2015, October). Fostering Thinkers of Calculus through Questioning. MCTM Annual Conference, Oxford, MS.

Smith, A. (2015, May). *Investigating Mathematical Self-Efficacy in African American College Students Enrolled in Developmental Mathematics Courses*. Learning and the Brain Annual Conference, New York, NY.

PUBLICATIONS

- Lembke, E. S., Powell, S. R., Ketterlin-Geller, L. R. & **Smith, A. E.** (2020, Apr 17 21) *Improving Teachers' Mathematics Instruction for Middle School Students at Risk/With Disabilities: Collaboration to Support Algebraic Readiness* [Roundtable Session]. AERA Annual Meeting San Francisco, CA http://tinyurl.com/vqtp780 (Conference Canceled)
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- Hickson, D.A., Diez-Roux, A.V., Smith, A.E., Tucker, K.L., Gore, L.D., Zhang, L., and Wyatt, S.B. (2011). Associations of Fast Food Restaurant Availability With Dietary Intake and Weight Among African Americans in the Jackson Heart Study, 2000–2004. *American Journal of Public Health* 101(S1), S301-S309.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Reviewer

American Educational Research Association (AERA) 2021 Annual Meeting SIG-Critical Examination of Race, Ethnicity, Class, and Gender in Education Committee on Scholars of Color in Education

- Review submissions for acceptance to AERA 2021 Annual Meeting
- Evaluate based on content, appropriateness, and strength of scholarly contribution

Facilitator 2020-present

Standards Institute

- Employed expertise in intersection of equity and math education to equip school and district leaders across the country to adopt and refine a lens of equity and access to advance their practice and maintain systems that ensure learning and success for all students.
- Advanced the tenets of UnboundEd, a national organization that promotes high-quality learning for all students by offering tools to disrupt inequity and be change agents at all levels of education.

Board of Directors 2018-present

LaSalle Middle School

• Oversee operations and recommend actions in accordance with professional experience, mission, vision, and by-laws of the charter school.

Board of Directors 2016-present

Mississippi First

• Oversee operations and recommend actions in accordance with professional experience, mission, vision, and by-laws of the non-profit organization.

Expert, Independent Alignment Study

Winter 2019

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)

Analyzed state test assessment items to align to state standards

Proposal Review Panelist

Summer 2018

National Science Teachers Association

- 2019 National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) 2019 National Conference
- "Confluence of Equity and Education" Strand

Expert, MAP Grade Level Standard Setting and Cut Point Articulation Summer 2018

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)

- Worked in conjunction with DESE to determine achievement level cut points based on student performance data.
- Utilized multiple norming measures to ascertain fair and consistent achievement cut points of student performance.

Expert, MAP Grade-Level Item Writing Workshop

Spring 2018

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)

- Worked in conjunction with DESE to evaluate the fairness of potential items on state assessments.
- Analyzed items for standard alignment, appropriate rigor, and absence of contexts that potentially favor one group over another

Expert, Content Bias Review

Fall 2017

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)

Worked in conjunction with DESE to review potential Missouri state assessment items to
ensure balanced treatment; accessible, unbiased items; and control of potential bias,
stereotyping, and insensitivity in the items or in the test-related materials.

Math Specialist/Expert

Fall 2016

Precious Martin & Associates, PLLC

- Developed Excel Spreadsheet database to organize figures for estate heirship
- Testified as Expert Witness to justify figures and methods by which they were determined.

Project Coordinator and Faculty Mentor

2013-2016

Robert Noyce Scholarship Program, Tougaloo College

- Managed NSF grant budget that supported student and faculty travel, student stipends, scholarships, and instructional materials
- Submitted annual reports to the National Science Foundation to communicate progress and action steps for continued development
- Designed and facilitated monthly business meetings for Scholarship Fellows

 Advised, supported, and prepared Scholarship Fellows for qualification to teach mathematics and science in Mississippi

Guest Lecturer Spring 2016

Jackson State University, School of Public Health

- PHS 503: Introduction to Biostatistics and Computer Applications
- Topic: "Binomial and Normal Distribution"

Volunteer Judge Spring 2016

Emerging Researchers National Conference in STEM

- Judged Undergraduate and Graduate Posters and Oral Presentations
- <u>Category 1:</u> Science and Mathematics Education
- <u>Category 2:</u> Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences

Expert Panelist Spring 2016

Tougaloo College, Spring 2016 Faculty Institute

- "Professional Learning to Promote Motivation and Academic Performance among Diverse Students"
- Theme: "Promoting Diversity and Motivation with Teaching and Learning"

Proposal Review Panelist

2015-2016

National Science Foundation

- Graduate Research Fellowship Program
- STEM Education and Learning Research

Undergraduate Scholars Selection Panel

2015-2016

The Jackson Heart Study Undergraduate Training and Education Center Tougaloo College

- Reviewed and evaluated applications for academic and holistic merit
- Led the panel interviews for applicants

COURSES TAUGHT

Harris Stowe State University, Department of Behavioral and Social Sciences

• RM 0150 Introduction to Statistics

Tougaloo College, Department of Mathematics and Computer Science

- MAT 091 Elementary Algebra
- MAT 102 College Algebra I
- MAT 103 College Algebra II
- MAT 104 Trigonometry
- MAT 106 Contemporary Mathematics
- MAT 201 Number Systems
- MAT 202 Geometry and Measurement
- MAT 221 Calculus I
- MAT 222 Calculus I

CERTIFICATIONS

- Teacher Certification, State of Missouri
 - License #635499
 - Endorsements: Mathematics 5-9, Mathematics 9-12, Vocal Music K-12
- National Advanced Placement (AP) Certification, Calculus AB
- Class AA Teacher Certification, State of Mississippi
 - License #243846
 - Endorsement Codes: 154 (Mathematics, 7-12), 166 (Music Education Vocal, K-12), and 609 (AP Calculus AB)
- Teacher Certification, State of Tennessee
 - License #000583744
 - Endorsement Code: 413 (Mathematics, 7-12)

HONORS/AWARDS

Certificate of Merit, Jackson Public School District (Spring 2013)

SERVICE

Institution

Disciplinary Committee, Chair

2015-2016

Tougaloo College

- Oversaw appeals to rulings made by the Judiciary Council
- Moderated discussions among other members (faculty/staff and students)
- Reviewed the decisions of Judiciary Council

Task Force: Re-Imagining the General Education Curriculum

2014-2016

Tougaloo College

 Conceptualized current issues with the general education curriculum in an effort to offer recommendations for improvement and cultural/global relevance, using a lens of equity, opportunity, and access.

"Red and Blue" Paper Committee, Chair

2014-2015

Tougaloo College

- Composed and published an essay outlining recommendations for research-based teaching and learning best practices that respond to the unique needs of Tougaloo College.
- Highlighted tenets of critical pedagogy and equity in an approach to reimagining students' learning experiences.

Community

Director of Educational Activities

2014-2016

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Rho Xi Lambda Chapter

UNCF Leadership Committee

2014-2015

Tougaloo College

- Coordinated efforts in raising \$125,000 for Tougaloo College.
- Worked in conjunction with the Office of Institutional Advancement.
- Spearheaded fundraising projects and appeal to donors.

Coach, Nashville Dolphins

Spring 2011

Nashville, TN

 Assisted children and young adults with special needs in learning how to swim and preparing for competitions

ADVISING AND MENTORING

Undergraduate Students

- Course selection
- Major selection and degree completion
- Senior research projects

Noyce Scholars

- Course selection
- Degree completion
- Math/Science education research projects and presentations
- Summer internship opportunities
- Career placement

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Educational Research Association
- National Alliance of Black School Educators
- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics

LANGUAGES

- Spanish (Speak, Read, Write: Functionally)
- Italian (Speak, Read, Write: Functionally)
- French (Speak, Read, Write: Minimally)