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U.S. Citizen

I am a Seasoned Professional, a Captivating Orator, and a Passionate Educator
with over a Decade of Teaching Experience and Civil Rights Research.

Education

American University School of Education

Washington, D.C.

Ed.D.- Educational Doctorate of Education Policy and Leadership

Graduated May 2025

Coursework Included: Systems Thinking Leadership, Place Based Education, and Culturally Responsive Interpretive Development

*9.0 Credit Hours Completed including an independent research project on David Gruenewald's theory of place based education and Lee Sentell's U.S. Civil Rights Trail

American University School of Education

Washington, D.C.

M.Ed.- Master of Education Policy and Leadership

Graduated May 2022

Coursework Included: Nonprofit Development, Funding and Budgeting, Place Based Education, Leadership, and Culturally Responsive Interpretive Development

*Research connections to Birmingham Civil Rights National Monument and the Freedom Riders National Monument and The Morgan Project

Smith College

Northampton, MA

B.A. - Bachelor of Arts in Government

Graduated May 2012

Coursework Included: Political Systems, Africana Studies, and Civil Rights in the American South

Summer Abroad: University of Oxford, Oxford, England, Summer 2011

Relevance: Participated in a six-week program, studied Shakespeare and short story writing

Awards

James C. Barton Faculty/Staff Leadership Award: \$1,500 2022

World Affairs Council of Houston Teaching Scholarship to Vietnam and Cambodia: \$4,000 2016

Americorps Member: \$10,000 2012-2014

Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship: \$10,000 2010-2012

Urban Education Fellowship: \$500 2011

LeAnna Brown Fellowship: \$500 2010

Smith College Praxis for Freedom Sisters Docent Services: \$3,000 2009

Gates Millennium Scholarship (*UNCF): \$320,000 2008-2025

Additional Skills and Certificates

U.S. Institute of Diplomacy & Human Rights 10/17/ 2022

Certified Human Rights Consultant ID: 60268513

Texas Education Agency 2015-2027

Certified Social Studies/History Teacher

Alabama Department of Education 2023-2028

Certified Social Studies/History Teacher

National Federation of State High School Associations
Alabama Department of Human Resources
2022 Certified Child Abuse Mandated Reporter Training

3/9/2019-Present

08/04/2022- Present

Professional Technical Competence

- Compiling Data through student and teacher demographics
- Calculating Data through integrated programs and online gradebook development
- Quantitative research across grade levels and interdisciplinary content
- Database design to support students to college and career pathways
- Use of the arts social sciences to support data contextualization
- Website Design, creative digital design, and attention to detail
- Networking through website and social media analytics
- Video Editing Support through Streamyard, Facebook, Youtube, and WeVideo
- Zoom, Teams, and Google Meets Moderator
- Project Management
- Increasing scores and student engagement through technology
- K-12 Teacher and Community Support
- Digital Organizational Skills via DropBox, Microsoft Sharepoint, and Google Drive
- Presentation Skills through Microsoft Powerpoint, Google Slides, and Canva
- Quantitative Data Analysis and Evaluation through STATA, Qualtrics, Microsoft Excel, and Google Sheets

Experience

Administrative Assistant, UNCF Birmingham Office for Alabama and Mississippi

Employer: UNCF

8/2023-Present

950 22nd Street North, Suite 674, Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Notable Moments

- 117% Unrestricted Goal Achievement for FY2024
- Developed Volunteer Preparation Guide/ code of conduct for the Mayor's Masked Ball and lead over 30 volunteers to support the staple fundraising event
- Assist in managing strategic partnerships, urgent response support, finance/budget for Alabama and Mississippi
- Reignited the Young Professionals Advisory Council (YPAC) to support mission aligned events

Program Director/ Contractor

Employer: Brown's Educational Consulting

8/2023- Present

<https://www.brownscollective.com>

Notable Moments

- 20% Increase in Bessemer City High School student scores
- Develop programming for students, parents, and teachers to build strong relationships towards college and career success
- Develop the High School Pre-Alumni Program for Bessemer Area students

Credentialed Course Instructor

Employer: University of Alabama at Birmingham 12/2023-5/2024
African American Studies Program, UAB College of Arts and Sciences, Heritage Hall, #322
Course: Introduction to African American Studies

History Teacher

Employer: Alabama Aerospace and Aviation High School (AAHS) 8/2022-8/2023
1414 2nd Avenue North, Bessemer, Alabama 35243

Civics Teacher

Employer: The Altamont School 10/2018-7/2022
4801 Altamont Road South, Birmingham, Alabama 35222

Awards

- 2022 James C. Barton, Jr. Faculty/Staff Leadership Award
- 2022 Black Student Union Appreciation Award

Teacher Ranger Teacher

6/2021-8/2022

Employer: National Parks Service - Birmingham Civil Rights National Monument
Address: 520 16th Street North, Birmingham, Alabama 35203

U.S. History Teacher

Employer: KIPP Houston High School 7/2017-7/2018
Address: 10711 Kipp Way Drive, Houston, Texas 77099
Awards: Monthly Staff Value Award for Honor

U.S. History, English and Choir Teacher

7/2014-7/2017

Employer: YES Prep Public School
Address: 9000 West Bellfort Street, Houston, Texas 77031

American and British Literature Teacher

Employer: The Calhoun School 7/2012-7/2014
Address: 8213 County Road 33, Letohatchee, Alabama 36047
Awards: Teacher of the Quarter: January-March 2013

Corps Member

Teach for America (TFA)Alabama 6/2012-5/2014
Address: 1320 1st Avenue South, Birmingham, Alabama 35233

Congressional Intern

US-AL7 Congressman Artur Davis
Congressional Black Caucus Foundation 5/2010-7/2010

Leadership

Alumnae Association of Smith College Board of Directors	2025-Present
Alabama Holocaust Education Center Board Member	2025-Present
Association for the Study of African American Life and History Charles A. Brown Branch Member	2024-Present
National Council of Negro Women Birmingham Section Charter Member	9/2024 - Present
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Birmingham Alumnae Chapter Social Action Committee Member	1/2024- Present
Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc. Chapter President & Membership Chair	06/2021-07/2025
Top Teens of America (TTA) Advisor	06/2019-12/12/2021

Publications

PROQUEST	May 2025
Daniels LL. <i>Learning in 3D and (re)membering Blackness in civic education: A photovoice project investigating democratic connections with black women in Alabama's 7th U.S. congressional district.</i> [Order No. 31994075]. American University; 2025.	
SMITH ALUMNAE QUARTERLY	June 2021
Daniels, L. L. (2021, June 25). We need more Civic-Minded people to step up. Retrieved from http://saqonline.smith.edu/publication/?m=45764&i=712711&p=40&ver=html5	
FOX NEWS WBRC	November 2020
Hildreth, R. (n.d.). Classroom conversations about the Presidential Election. Retrieved From https://www.wbrc.com/2020/11/04/classroom-conversations-about-presidential-election/?fbclid=IwAR1KviU6yYBuQ4HdYSwKmnsWuf7WRhVgAEquCIN-7rFjs1V9UOKIV0bF8B4	
SMITH COLLEGE GREYCOURT GATE ALUMNAE NEWS	January 2018
Life After Harvey. (2018, January 19). Retrieved from https://www.smith.edu/about-smith/news/life-after-harvey	
THE NEW YORK TIMES	August 2017
Daniels, L. L. (2017, August 29). I Teach in Houston. I'm Worried for My Students. Retrieved from	

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/08/29/opinion/harvey-houston-schools-teachers.html>

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