



AACTE Holmes Program
2023 Research and Dissertation Retreat

Sponsored by: AACTE, PNC Foundation, and Florida Atlantic University

Retreat Location: Florida Atlantic University | 777 Glades Road | Building 31 (Student Union)
Boca Raton, FL 33431 | Room: Live Oak A

Three tracks:

1. Prospective and First Year Doctoral Students
2. Doctoral Students Approaching or Starting Candidacy
3. Doctoral Candidates

Monday, April 3

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Welcome

- Weadé James, Vice President, American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education
- Stephen Silverman, Dean, Florida Atlantic University's College of Education
- Rangasamy Ramasamy, Professor, Chair and Holmes Program Coordinator, Florida Atlantic University

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Break

10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions

- Developing a Research Agenda (*Track 1 & 2*)
 - Amanda Wilkerson, Assistant Professor, University of Central Florida
 - Room: Live Oak A
- Writing a Literature Review (*Track 2 and 3*)
 - Sabrina Sembiente, Associate Professor, Florida Atlantic University

- Room: Live Oak B
- Understanding and Using Conceptual and Theoretical Frameworks (*Track 3*)
 - Erica McCray, Associate Dean, University of Florida
 - Room: Live Oak C

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Lunch

12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions

- Preparing for a Successful PhD Journey (Track 1)
 - Bianca Nightengale-Lee, Assistant Professor, Florida Atlantic University
 - Room: Live Oak A
- Developing an Effective and Fundable Research Proposal (Track 2)
 - Cynthia Wilson, Professor (retired), Florida Atlantic University
 - Room: Live Oak B
- Understanding the Peer Review Publication Process, Part II (Track 3)
 - Valerie Hill-Jackson, Professor and Journal of Teacher Education Co-Editor, Texas A&M University
 - Room: Live Oak C

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Break

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Plenary Session: Quantitative Research Designs and Policy Research Methods

- Evandra Catherine, Assistant Professor, Arizona State University
 - Room: Live Oak A

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Scholar Panel: Overcoming Writer's Block

Moderator: Paul Massy, FAU Doctoral Candidate and Holmes Scholar
Panelists:

- Dr. Bianca Nightengale-Lee, FAU
- Dr. Dax Boatwright, FAU
- Juan Izaguirre Pena, FAU

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Closing

Tuesday, April 4

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Plenary: Establishing and Working with Your Dissertation Committee

- Rangasamy Ramasamy, Professor and Chair, Florida Atlantic University

10:00 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.

Break

10:10 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.

Plenary: Navigating Microaggressions in the Academy

- Katherine Norris, Associate Professor and Chair, Howard University

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Writing Workshop

Facilitated by Dr. Ramon Goings, Associate Professor at University of Maryland Baltimore County, and Author of "[14 Secrets to a Done Dissertation](#)"

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Book Signing

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Closing