The countdown to the end of the semester has officially begun. Spring 2018 Commencement is May 12, at Panther Stadium. This year’s speaker is historian, author, curator, and educator, Lonnie G. Bunch III, who is also the founding director of Smithsonian’s National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, DC. More details about Commencement can be found at pvamu.edu/academicaffairs/commencement.

Next week is the Inauguration of Ruth J. Simmons, the eighth president of PVAMU. There will be a host of events taking place on April 20, beginning at 8 a.m. Each College and School at the University will host a showcase for visitors featuring creative endeavors, new research and facilities, learning platforms, scholarship, and demonstrations. You can find additional information about Inauguration and its events at pvamu.edu/inauguration.

As mentioned in the February issue of Academic Insights, we continue to solicit feedback for the University’s Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP). The QEP is a carefully designed course of action that addresses a focused topic or issue related to improving the quality of student learning or success.

PVAMU moves forward with plans for inclusion in the Texas A&M University System’s new RELLIS Campus this fall in Bryan, Texas. PVAMU intends to offer its RN to BSN Program, and beginning the following year, its BS in Criminal Justice with a focus on Criminalistics. The RN-BSN Program partners with RELLIS to produce even more Bachelor of Science in Nursing-prepared registered nurses to decrease the nursing shortage in the future. The Criminal Justice program was chosen to be at RELLIS because it is multidisciplinary and intends a very hands-on approach to learning through lab simulations, case studies, and internships with experienced professionals in the field. Information about RELLIS is at pvamu.edu/academics/rellis and rellis.tamus.edu.

During Spring Break, students traveled the world. A group led by two of our College of Agriculture and Human Sciences faculty went to Costa Rica. The U.S. Embassy there welcomed them and featured the group in a social media post. In the School of Architecture, one group traveled to Dubai, and another group went to Nepal to present their work to UNESCO. Current students can visit the University’s study abroad site, studyabroad.pvamu.edu, to find out how to participate in future exciting global outreach opportunities.

In closing, much is happening on “The Hill,” and we hope to highlight our faculty, staff, and students’ numerous and varied academic endeavors. We hope you enjoy this April edition of Academic Insights.
Prairie View A&M University Assistant Professor of Practice Ann Johnson is a practicing visual artist who continually has her work featured in art exhibitions across the country. She also curates numerous art exhibitions and is an annual national fine arts judge for NAACP Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics or ACT-So.

“Most recently, I chaired the University’s 3rd Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition,” said Johnson. “We had dozens of students submit paintings, drawings, printmaking, sculptures, mixed media, and photography which encompassed this year’s theme, ‘The Awakening: Know Who You Are Before They Have to Tell You.’”

Johnson, an instructor of 22-plus years, teaches *African American Art and Introduction to Visual Art* at PVAMU, as well as the Fine Art courses - painting, drawing, sculpture, printmaking, craft design, and book arts.

“I like to explore various topics in my lecture courses. For instance, I created a project entitled *Slavery in Five Words or Less*. With this project, students place themselves digitally in a text-based image and, within the text, they have to describe slavery in five words or less,” said Johnson.

“I have another project where I charge students with writing a letter from the slavery auction block. The students can write to whomever as they sit on an auction block, whether it be a member of their family or the slave master himself.

These types of projects really encourage students to think outside the box.”

Johnson is constantly evolving to keep up with each generation of students who come through her classroom doors.

“Each year, it’s a new breed of students,” she said. “If my students don’t learn anything else from me, my hope is they learn to not just *look* at a work of art, but to look *into* it. Each piece of work tells you something about an artist, and if you see that, you begin to appreciate the passion that went into it.”

▼Johnson (right) helps a student during class.
Sociology Professor Working to Improve Prairie View Residents’ Quality of Life

By Marchita Shilo

The National Science Foundation (NSF) recently invited Dr. Farrah Gafford Cambrice, an assistant professor of Sociology at Prairie View A&M University, to participate on a panel during the 2018 U.S. Ignite Application Summit in Kansas City, Missouri. Her job was to talk about her role in PVAMU’s Smart and Connected Rural Communities Planning Grant.

“The NSF invited the mayor of Prairie View, David Allen, and myself to the summit to talk about the importance of community-based research and partnerships. It was great to be a part of, especially with PVAMU being the only HBCU represented on the panel,” said Cambrice.

Cambrice serves as a co-principal investigator on the project, which originated with Dr. Cajetan Akujuobi, principal investigator and vice president of Research, Innovation, and Sponsored Programs at PVAMU. Other members of the multi-disciplinary team include Dr. Pamela Obiomon, Dr. Noel Estwick, Dr. Jerrel Moore, and Sociology students Chastity Fields, Khirah Wallace Gayle, and Nakia Wilson, who have been attending meetings to assist the researchers.

“The goal of this NSF-funded planning grant is to develop a framework to enable the initiation of targeted technologies to make the City of Prairie View a smart and connected community,” said Cambrice.

“Prairie View suffers from limited access to medical services, limited internet services, aging infrastructure, and the city is subject to flooding, via extreme weather events. Smart technologies could significantly improve the lives of these rural residents.”

And, as a sociologist, Cambrice’s primary focus is the residents.

“Through community meetings, focus groups, and surveys, we are letting residents tell us what their needs and desires are, because, in this project, community engagement is critical. We have to hear the voices of the residents and understand their needs before we introduce smart technologies. I cannot express how important it is for social scientists to be a part of this technology-based and STEM-focused research. We bring the human factor into focus because it really is all about improving the quality of life for Prairie View residents.”

Before joining the Smart and Connected Rural Communities Planning Grant effort, Cambrice collaborated with a team of scholars from Tulane University and the University of New Orleans who were interested in the recovery of New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. The research group was awarded one of 18 National Science Foundation Urban Long-Term Area Exploratory (ULTRA-Ex) grants to study the impact of trauma on urban biophysical, ecological, and social diversity using the study area of post-Katrina New Orleans.
Strawberries are proven to improve cardiovascular and brain health, as well as prevent some types of cancer. It’s no wonder Prairie View A&M University is trying to get ahead of the curve by finding ways to help limited-resource farmers successfully grow organic strawberries. According to the USDA, California produces 91-percent of strawberries in the U.S., with Florida providing most of the winter crop. Unfortunately, as it stands, Texas isn’t a top producer.

“Strawberry production in Texas only occurs on about 150 acres, mainly in the Poteet area,” said Dr. Peter Ampim, a research scientist with the Cooperative Agricultural Research Center at PVAMU. “We want to figure out if we can grow the crop statewide, especially with an increase in consumer interest and demand.”

The name of the three-year, Southern Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SSARE)-funded, collaborative, multidisciplinary, and multi-state project is Evaluating Organic Pest Control Products for Strawberries in Combination with High and Low Tunnels for Limited Resource Farmers in the Mid-South. Other organizations involved include Texas A&M AgriLife Extension (Lubbock), the University of Arkansas (Fayetteville), and the Texas Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association.

“We’ve narrowed suitable strawberry varieties for Texas down to four, from previous research funded by the Walmart Foundation,” said Ampim. “We are now looking at different organic insecticide and fungicide combinations in this SSARE-funded project to see which works best at protecting the crop.”

Ampim shared his results at the 2018 Strawberry Workshop on March 26, with producers from Waller County and the surrounding areas.

“The project started with research at the front and center, but ultimately this workshop, and others that will be conducted in the future, is a service to the citizens of Texas. Through these activities, farmers will learn the best ways to sustainably grow strawberries, organically, to benefit their farms and families,” said Ampim.

“My overall impression was this year’s workshop was successful. I look forward to sharing more of our results next year.”

Ampim leads a Strawberry Workshop on March 26.
Bonner Leads University-wide Forum at LSU

Dr. Fred A. Bonner, professor and endowed chair in the Whittowe R. Green College of Education, led a Qualitative Research Forum at LSU on March 21. During the lecture for students, faculty, and administrators, Bonner discussed how to design and develop an impactful qualitative dissertation more effectively.

Quddus Featured as Special Guest on Synergy Radio Network

On March 28, College of Business (COB) Dean Munir Quddus was a featured guest on Synergy Radio Network’s “Basketball Legends Show.” He joined Host and Executive Producer C. Mel Hughlett, who is a member of the COB Dean’s Advisory Board and a former professional basketball player, as well as Co-host Selwyn Wilkinson. Quddus discussed COB programs, students, and faculty, as well as trends in business school that can affect future student-athletes. He also talked about the special role of HBCUs in American higher education, challenges and opportunities in student success, accreditation, and building partnerships with companies and corporations.

Quddus is no stranger to radio. National Public Radio's Zoe Chace interviewed him for a podcast piece on the global apparel industry. Quddus’ research on the entrepreneurs in Bangladesh's multi-billion dollar garment export industry also led to an interview for an article in The New York Times by Adam Davidson. Quddus also writes columns frequently and blogs on current economic issues.
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The Honors Program is proud to announce that our student was accepted into the 2018 Summer Institute in Biomedical Informatics at Harvard Medical School. In this research program, Ms. Ede will engage in didactic lectures, clinical case studies, and learn more on translational advances in biomedical at Harvard University's dynamic research environment.

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Student Placements and Achievements
This year, more than one million people descended upon the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo February 26 through March 17, and Prairie View A&M University was there.

“This year’s exhibit activity for the College of Agriculture and Human Sciences was all about 4-H Agribotics and how they provide solutions for agriculture needs,” said LaRachelle Smith, Director of CAHS Marketing, Communications, and IT. “Young people, and their parents, were magnetized to this display where they got to observe how programmed robots can move through fields, pick up crops, and people as well.”

Dozens of PVAMU faculty, staff, students, and alumni took shifts during the exhibit, making sure to promote the University’s many programs.

“I can guarantee you that most people who visited our table now know that PV is watching and addressing what’s needed in the world today. We are the wave of the future,” said Smith.

PVAMU has been a part of the HLSR for more than 30 years.
Nearly 100 Students Attend Scholarship Reception

Ninety-three students from 40 school districts across Texas attended PVAMU’s annual University Merit Scholarship Reception on March 2. The students received one of the University’s three most prestigious scholarships: the Regents’ Student Merit Scholarship, Presidential Academic Scholarship, and Distinguished Achievement Academic Scholarship.

“These types of programs are designed to showcase our academically gifted students, academic colleges, and University leadership to our entering scholarship class,” said Mark Pearson, director of Enrollment Management.

“The students who were invited to this program worked hard, they didn’t give up, and they applied themselves to the fullest extent during their K-12 careers. We expect them to continue to excel, and we look forward to them joining PVAMU’s Class of 2022,” said Michelle Hill, associate vice president for Enrollment Management.

Interim Provost James M. Palmer (left) and AVP Michelle Hill (right) with a scholarship recipient.
Prairie View A&M University’s Undergraduate Medical Academy (UMA) held a Mini Grand Round on March 29. The speaker was Tamare’al N. Ross, M.D. According to Dr. Dennis Daniels, director of UMA, Mini Grand Rounds, held monthly, are an exchange of medical information, clinical practice delivery, research challenges and discoveries, and ideas that enhance the relevance of academic study.

“The importance of the Mini Grand Rounds is to expose students to physicians and other select healthcare providers such as dentists, veterinarians and medical researchers, and their respective areas of medical specialty and research focus. Students also learn about the requirements for the areas of practice along with an illustration of the routes to a similar goal. They receive a connected view of our healthcare delivery system and physicians, dentists, veterinarians and researchers, and their contributions to the health of a patient. Lastly, the Mini Grand Round identifies mentors and opportunities for clinical shadowing and research opportunities,” said Daniels.

In addition to serving patients at Houston CareNow Urgent Care Clinic, Ross provides free physicals for the local chapter of Boy Scouts of America and local pediatric patients in the Free Pediatric Clinic sponsored by the Department of Family and Community Medicine. She is a member of the American Academy of Family Physicians, as well as the American Medical Association.
COLLEGE NEWS

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Students Attend Two Finance-Related Events

Prairie View A&M University hosted two finance events on March 26 and March 28: Athletes in Finance and Women in Finance. Speakers ranged from financial planners and private wealth advisors to an Olympic champion and Super Bowl champion.

“The events were geared around creating awareness for the Financial Planning minor offered in the College of Business,” said COB Instructor Danny Harvey. “The minor was recently revamped to be Certified Financial Planning Board-approved. Becoming a Certified Financial Planner is a designation that is highly respected and set apart professionally, similar to a CPA in Accounting. Many think this minor is all about math and finance, but it involves connecting with people, wanting to help, as well as sales. These skills can be found in various majors and people such as athletes, behavioral science majors, education majors, and others. COB Instructor Audria Ford, the College of Business, and I aren’t trying to convert every student into a financial planner; we just don’t want students leaving without knowing about the opportunity.

The profession gives students the opportunity to have a huge impact on their communities and families, a great quality of life, the opportunity to have their own business, and great financial success.”

To find out more about the Financial Planning minor, email Danny Harvey at djharvey@pvamu.edu.

ROY G. PERRY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

NSBE Chapter Attends National Convention

On March 21-25, Prairie View A&M University’s chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) joined over 10,000 future engineers in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania for the NSBE’s 44th Annual Convention. The conference took place at the David Lawrence Convention Center where professional and leadership development, technical training, networking and job opportunities were made available. More than 400 companies gave students a chance to learn about the workforce while supporting the development of black employees.

“Many of our 40-plus students who went were interviewed and are now anxiously awaiting the possibility of employment,” said Shield B. Lin, interim dean of PVAMU’s Roy G. Perry College of Engineering. “The Annual Convention was the perfect place to recruit top talent from NSBE’s membership, and it also offered the unique opportunity to engage directly with our national leaders.”
The HBCU-National Band Directors’ Consortium met in Atlanta, Georgia March 21-March 24. Students from more than 20 HBCU institutions from around the country auditioned to perform in various groups and ensembles.

Students that auditioned from Prairie View A&M University are listed below with their results:

- Hector Navarrete, trumpet, lead, Jazz Band
- Merrande Johnson, trumpet, 1st chair, Wind Ensemble
- Kandaka Polk, clarinet, 3rd chair, Wind Ensemble
- Shawn Smith, alto saxophone, lead, Jazz Band
- Jarrod Henry, lead, tenor saxophone, Jazz Band
- Colangelo Tolbert II, baritone saxophone, Jazz Band
- Allan Theodore, flute, 1st chair, Concert Band

Dr. Mark Phillips, professor and head of PVAMU’s Department of Music and Theatre, performed with the Master’s Ensemble, along with PVAMU graduate student Ghandi Sherman.
By Marchita Shilo

A group of students enrolled in the Spring 2018 course AGEC 4233: Land Resource Economics traveled to Costa Rica during Spring Break.

“We had a total of ten students come along, nine seniors and one junior. Nine of them are Agriculture majors, and one student is a Health major,” said Dr. Noel M. Estwick, a research scientist and adjunct instructor at PVAMU.

Estwick and Dr. Kwaku Addo, associate director and department head in the College of Agriculture and Human Sciences, led the trip March 11-17.

“The purpose of the visit was to help our students learn more about agribusiness in Costa Rica and apply the theories they are learning here at PVAMU in an international setting,” said Estwick.

The group began their excursion in Santa Clara. They had a chance to meet with professors from Escuela Técnica Agrícola e Industrial, or ETAI, and an official from the USDA Foreign Agricultural Service.

“Anita Katial from the USDA Foreign Agricultural Service and U.S. Embassy in Costa Rica hosted an informational session where she talked about agriculture in Costa Rica as well as the country’s relationship with the U.S,” said Addo.

Ing. Juan Carlos Corrales Arce, a technical coordinator at ETAI, conducted another lecture.

“Since 1998, I have never had the opportunity to meet such an incredible and analytical group of students. I hope, in the future, we have the opportunity to receive more students from PVAMU,” said Corrales.

On day four, the students traveled to La Fortuna where they explored the town’s waterfall, the Arenal Volcano, Hanging Bridges, and Baldi Hot Springs. From there, the group went to San Rafael de Naranjo where they toured Coffex Internacional Coffee Plantation.

“A fourth-generation family of coffee farmers own and operate Coffex Internacional, and they do business with Chick-fil-A and Starbucks,” said Addo. “The students learned everything from how coffee is planted and transplanted all the way to how it is processed and packaged.”

Estwick said, “The coffee plantation visit was a hands-on experience. The students collected soil samples, examined pH levels, and looked at the different types of crops grown at multiple elevation levels.”

The students spent two days at the plantation before traveling to Sarchi and San Jose to shop. They returned to Texas the following day.

“For all of our students, it was their first time visiting Costa Rica. Some of them told us afterward that they are considering pursuing graduate studies in Costa Rica,” said Estwick.

PVAMU Senior Dezarae Johnson wrote, “Going to Costa Rica was a humbling and eye-opening learning experience, one that I will never forget and will always take with me. The Study Abroad experience is definitely something I encourage all Prairie View students to take full advantage of.”

The group with their tour guide, Francisco Miranda.
SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

Students Travel to United Arab Emirates for Spring 2018 Study Abroad Trip

By Barry H. Norwood, Associate Professor/Director, Student Services/Service Learning

As we traveled through Dubai and Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE) March 12-21, our students focused on a number of topics in Architecture, including construction and preservation techniques. Students researched and documented the materials and procedures used to build the following buildings in Dubai:

- **Burj Khalifa**: The world’s tallest building, at 828 meters high. Its cladding provides an interesting contrast with the traditional Dubai architecture around it. Well worth seeing as the sun rises and strikes the reflective surface.

- **Emirates Towers**: A favorite with Dubai architecture enthusiasts; observe the way the towers’ relationship constantly changes according to the angle from which you look at them.

- **World Trade Centre**: Very forward thinking for its time, both in terms of its ground-breaking scale and its structural and environmental sensitivity. It now stands as a reminder of Dubai’s growth, a contrast to the flashier buildings around it.

- **National Bank of Dubai**: While practically speaking, this design perhaps doesn’t make the most efficient use of space, yet, as a project designed to make a statement, this building is a roaring success. Its convex glass front captures and reflects the comings and goings of life along Dubai Creek, and it has become one of the most recognizable structures in Dubai.

- **Dubai Marina**: Especially beautiful at night, but well worth a visit on Friday afternoons, with the Marina Market selling all manner of clothes, gifts, and jewelry. There is an impressive array of waterfront restaurants, too.

- **Mall of the Emirates**: An overnight success, popular with residents and visitors alike. Home to an enormous variety of high street and designer shops, cinemas, and many fine restaurants. It also contains the incredible Ski Dubai.

- **Burj Al-Arab**: The world’s only ‘seven-star’ hotel, standing 320 meters tall on its own artificial island just off Dubai’s coastline. An extraordinary sail-shaped exterior, with dancing fountains, vast aquaria and a startling blue atrium on the inside.

In Abu Dhabi, we visited two major buildings - Louvre Abu Dhabi, an art and civilization museum. The museum was established November 8, 2017, as part of a 30-year agreement between the city of Abu Dhabi and the French government. We also visited the Sheikh Zayed Mosque, named after the UAE’s first president. It’s home to the world’s largest chandelier, and 7,000 worshippers can fit inside the main prayer hall.

In conclusion, we toured 41 buildings, collaborated with the American University of Sharjah – College of Architecture, Art & Design, and met with the vice presidents of two Architectural Firms, HKS and HOK. Each student was able to submit their portfolio and resume.

In the future, we are planning a collaboration with American University of Sharjah and Project Locus, a nonprofit corporation, to design and build community structures in areas of need.

![Norwood and SoA students pictured with faculty, students from American University of Sharjah - Architecture College of Architecture, Art & Design](image-url)
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Middle School Partnering Day
March 21, 2018

Twelve-hundred students from nine school districts across Texas attended Middle School Partnering Day, “It’s Hollywood Style at PV.”

Dr. Talitha Lewis, director of PVAMU’s Office for Strategic Partnerships and K-12 Outreach said, “This year’s Middle School Day was exciting. It was truly like we were in HOLLYWOOD with lots of talent and big personalities! The students were PVAMU stars for the day, and we rolled the red carpet out for them. During their day-long stay, they toured campus and were able to see where our students ate, worshipped, attended games and class. They also saw our state-of-the-art laboratories. In addition, they were able to interact with our students, who shared their journeys to PVAMU. They even discussed career goals. It was a great day.”

Mark Anderson, M.Ed., a Male Mentor sponsor at Garcia Middle School in Fort Bend ISD wrote: “Thank you for a great presentation of Prairie View A&M University! My boys are still talking about it today. Many teachers say that the boys they spoke with loved the school and left with a very positive impression of Prairie View. We look forward to returning next year.”
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Founders’ Day and Honors Recognition Convocation
March 28, 2018

Prairie View A&M University hosted its annual Founders’ Day and Honors Recognition Convocation on March 28, in the William “Billy” J. Nicks, Sr. Building. PVAMU’s College of Nursing, which is celebrating 100 years of service this year, hosted the event with the theme, “A Tradition of Excellence: Honoring Our Past and Navigating Our Future.”

“It was a privilege to gather with the University’s community, family and friends to celebrate our top academic achievers,” said Interim Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs James Palmer. “Our honorees’ creative and intellectual prowess truly honors our past and will help navigate not only their futures but also the futures of generations to come.”

During the program, PVAMU student Jonathon D. Randle and community member Dr. Bettye Davis Lewis received the 2018 Humanitarian Award. This year’s keynote speaker was Dr. Romeatrius Moss, an active duty Air Force Nurse who is also the founder, president, and CEO of Black Nurses Rock.
April 4  Last Day to Withdraw from Course(s) without Academic Record (Spring 2018)

April 17  Priority Registration Begins for Summer 2018 Semester; Priority Registration Period Begins for Fall 2018 Semester

April 30-May 1  Course Review Days

May 1  Last Day of Class; Last Day to Withdraw from University (from all courses); Last Day to Apply for Spring 2018 Degree Conferral; Late Deadline for Graduating Undergraduates to Submit Application for Tuition Rebate for Spring 2018

May 2-8  Final Examination Period

May 10  Grades Due (for graduation candidates)

May 12  Commencement

May 14  Final Grades Due (for all other students)

May 28  Memorial Day (University Closed)

May 29  Regular Registration Begins for Summer 2018

June 4  First Day of Class, Late Registration and Drop/Add (Summer 2018)

June 7  Last Day to Withdraw from Course(s) without Academic Record (Summer 2018 1st 5-week Session)

June 19  Last Day to Withdraw from Course(s) without Academic Record (Summer 2018)

June 27  Late Deadline to Apply for Summer 2018 Graduation (ceremony participation)

June 28  Application Period Begins for Summer 2018 Degree Conferral (no ceremony participation or listing in the program)

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