

**iBELONG Student Conference**

Friday, March 31 - Saturday, April 1, 2023

Livingstone College Hospitality Management & Culinary Arts Institute (HMCAI)

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***AGENDA***

**Friday, March 31**

**5:45 PM**

**Check-In Begins**

**6:00 PM**

**Reception and Career Workshop**

**7:00 PM**

**Dinner**

**Greetings from NCICU**

President A. Hope Williams

*NCICU*

**Welcome from Livingstone College**

President Anthony Davis

*Livingstone College*

**Blessing of the Meal**

Robert E. Bedford, Dean of Students/Dean of Housing and Residence Life

*Livingstone College*

**Recognition of Special Guests**

President A. Hope Williams

*NCICU*

**Conference Overview and Remarks**

Marcel Anderson, iBELONG Program Director

*NCICU*

**8:30 PM**

**Masterful Networking Session**

Ashley C. Bodie, Assistant Director for Exploration & Experiential Learning

Raquel Dailey, Associate Director for Inclusion and International Career Development

*Davidson College*

**9:30 PM**

**Program Concludes for the day, open networking for students.**

**Saturday, April 1**

**7:30 AM**                      **Breakfast**

**8:00 AM**                      **Keynote Speaker**  
Ervin V. Griffin, President Emeritus  
*Halifax Community College*

**BREAK-OUT SESSIONS:**

**9:00– 10:45 AM**            **Student Sessions:**

**Professional Etiquette & Soft Skills**  
Sharon Hill, Life Coach  
*It's All About You Life Coaching*

*BREAK (9:45 – 10:00)*

**Mental Health & Mindfulness**  
Warren Gene Hoskins II, Psychotherapist and Owner  
*Peace of Mind Psychological Services*

**9:00- 10:45 AM**            **Campus Coordinator Sessions:**

**Safe Space & Advocacy**  
Roderick T. Heath, Assistant Vice Chancellor and Dean of Students  
*Fayetteville State University*

*BREAK (9:45-10:00)*

**Fundraising & Community Outreach**  
Roderick T. Heath, Assistant Vice Chancellor, and Dean of Students  
*Fayetteville State University*

**11:00 – 11:45 AM**        **Student Lead Panel Discussion (All Welcome)**  
Felip Dominquez Cornejo, *Davidson College*  
Nicholas Rugbart, *Elon University*  
Jakai Belton, *Greensboro College*  
Christopher Robinson II, *High Point University*  
Matthew Clinton, *Livingstone College*

**12:00 PM**                      **Closing Remarks & Adjourn**

*If you do not need your nametag, please drop it off with an NCICU Staff Member. Thank you*

*NCICU extends gratitude to Livingstone College for its generous hospitality  
and*

*Ashley Bodie, Davidson College;  
Warche Downing, Greensboro College;  
Brandon Floyd, High Point University;  
Travella Free, Elon University; and  
Orlando Lewis, Livingstone College*

*for their time and energy devoted to the planning of this meeting.*

**SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING iBELONG STUDENT CONFERENCE SPONSORS:**



**Survey**

**Please take a moment to fill out the appropriate post-conference survey:**



<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/W2ZQ7GZ>

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WJRSTBJ>

**Speaker Bios for NCICU iBELONG Student Conference**  
**March 31<sup>st</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023**  
**Livingstone College**

**Mr. Marcel Anderson, iBELONG MALE MENTORING PROGRAM<sup>SM</sup> DIRECTOR, NCICU**

A native of Spartanburg, South Carolina, Marcel graduated from Dorman High School in 2003. He went on to receive his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology from Saint Augustine's University in Raleigh, North Carolina, and obtained his ministerial license from St. Luke Ministerial Training.

Marcel received his professional Special Education License from North Carolina Central University. He taught in the field of High School Special Education for six years. Marcel has also received his Master of Science in Human Behavior from Capella University, and constantly makes use of his education and training to benefit the community. In 2011, Marcel became the founder and CEO of Accelerating Men, Inc., a nonprofit community faith-based organization that mentors African American young men ages 10-18 throughout Wake County.

Through workshops, mentoring, and conference calls within North Carolina and South Carolina, Accelerating Men works hard to educate, train, and cultivate young men to become all that God has called them to be. Marcel is the best-selling author of "Still Living: A Victimized Man's Journey." A book that talks about his Male Sexual Assault survivor's story.

Marcel has served as Program Director for the iBELONG MALE MENTORING PROGRAM<sup>SM</sup> for two years. Marcel is also a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.

**Ms. Ashley Bodie, Assistant Director for Exploration and Experiential Learning, Davidson College**

Ashley Bodie was a first-generation college student and grew up in High Point, NC. As Assistant Director for Exploration and Experiential Learning, Ashley works with students navigating career exploration. She has a focus on underrepresented populations. Ashley joined Davidson College in 2020.

Ashley earned her bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and master's degree in Public Administration from Strayer University. Before joining Davidson College, Ashley worked at NASCAR Technical Institute as a Senior Employment Specialist. Ashley strives to create community and inclusive spaces for all students. When not working, Ashley Bodie enjoys attending concerts and reading.

**Dr. Raquel Daily, Associate Director for Inclusion and International Career Development**

Connecticut native Dr. Raquel Dailey came to Davidson after seven years of living abroad in Germany and Belgium. Dr. Dailey earned her Doctoral degree from Johns Hopkins University, a Masters in Higher Education and Student Affairs from Virginia Tech, a Masters in Teaching English to non-native Speakers from Shenandoah University, and a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Spanish from Hampton University.

Dr. Dailey has over a decade of experience working in higher education. In her role here at Davidson, she serves as the Associate Director for Inclusion and International Career Development for the Matthews Center for Career Development. She believes that “helping students discover and apply their passion to a profession where they can positively impact society is vital to the student experience”. Dr. Raquel Dailey has a passion for equity, and advocacy, and loves to learn new languages and travel the globe.

**Dr. Anthony J. Davis, President, Livingstone College**

Dr. Anthony J. Davis is the 13<sup>th</sup> president of Livingstone College. A 2001 magna cum laude graduate of Livingstone, he is the first alumnus in 25 years to serve as president.

Prior to becoming president effective Oct. 1, 2022, Dr. Davis served as the senior vice president/chief operating officer for Livingstone. In that role, he was responsible for supervising and providing leadership for the entire fundraising enterprise. He also managed day-to-day operations with the responsibility of providing strategic oversight in key areas on campus to create synergy that promotes economic growth, revenue generation and sustainability.

Dr. Davis is a foster care survivor who emancipated himself from the foster care system at age 17 and joined the United States Air Force. He is a philanthropic practitioner, who began his career more than 27 years ago. His passion for education, community and social justice has positioned him to provide visionary strategic leadership in support of a number of colleges, universities and non-profit organizations. His work has resulted in the procurement of more than \$400 million in gifts and grants, with a special emphasis on major gifts and planned giving, successfully securing donor contributions at the \$10,000 through \$5 million levels.

Dr. Davis attended The Fundraising School of Indiana University – Bloomington’s Center of Philanthropy (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis); earned his master’s degree in philanthropy and development from St. Mary’s University in Minnesota; and completed his doctoral work at The United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio, where he earned a Doctor of Ministry degree.

**Dr. Roderick T. Heath, Assistant Vice Chancellor and Dean of Students, Fayetteville State University**

Dr. Roderick T. Heath is the Assistant Vice Chancellor and Dean of Students at Fayetteville State University, focusing on building sustainable programming and a student retention-based campus. Before working with Fayetteville State University, Dr. Heath was the Director of the Men's Achievement Center and African American Male Initiative in the Division of Student Affairs at North Carolina Central University. He was responsible for assisting students with academic, social, emotional, professional, and cultural development in this capacity. Before joining North Carolina Central University in 2015, Dr. Heath worked as a Fatherhood Coordinator for the State of North Carolina, Gang Outreach Coordinator for the Durham Police Department, Education Supervisor for Durham Housing Authority, High School Graduation Counselor, and Dean of Students for a K-8th Charter school. Dr. Heath is a first-generation 2006 graduate of North Carolina Central University, where he majored in Mass Communications. Dr. Heath received his Master of Education from Wingate University in 2010 and his Doctorate of Higher Education Leadership from Fayetteville State University. Dr. Heath has a passion and dream of helping at-risk youth gain control of their future.

Dr. Heath's Objective is to utilize his dedication to assisting students in developing social and emotional skills to help their educational journey. Dr. Heath strives to be an articulate communicator while effectively interacting with diverse populations of students at various academic levels. Outside his Fayetteville State University duties, Dr. Heath's company, The Higher Education: Black Male Collective, provides consultation services to low-income and at-risk youth. In his personal life, Dr. Heath is a father, husband, and an active member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc.

**Ms. Sharon Hill, Life Coach, It's All About You Life Coaching.**

Sharon is a graduate of High Point University where she received her bachelor's in business administration. While attending High Point, she was an athlete, ranking All-American in Basketball and Volleyball. She is married and is the proud mother of ten children (4 girls and 6 boys). Today she works at Winston-Salem State University as a North Carolina Certified Training Specialist in the department of Human Resources. Sharon brings 15 years of training, management and sales experience. She has her own Life Coaching practice called "It's All About You."

Sharon received her MBA from WSSU in August of 2019. Sharon has received 4 WSSU Chancellor Achievement Awards. As Training Specialist, Sharon was the first to bring face-to-face Emotional Intelligence classes to WSSU. She was the first to develop a 3-Level Manager Certification Program for WSSU Managers. In addition to her current job duties, she volunteers to be the Building Coordinator of her building Eller Hall, she was elected to be the Staff Senate Chair of the Orientation Committee, she is a Notary Public, and she has just recently been selected to be one of the first WSSU Champions for Winston-Salem State University.

**Mr. Warren "Gene" Hoskins, II, Psychotherapist and Owner, Peace of Mind Psychological Services**

Mr. Hoskins is a psychotherapist, author, motivational speaker and the owner of his practice Peace of Mind Psychological Services, PLLC located in Durham, North Carolina. He attended UNC Chapel Hill for undergrad, NCCU for graduate school, and Duke for his internship. He has been in mental health for over 13 years. His roles have ranged from Clinical Director, Supervisor, Educator, Trainer, and Assessor. He is currently in private practice and serves as a psychologist in the Central Prison.

Gene Hoskins has provided tailored trainings for WeWork, Novant Healthcare System, Durham Public Schools, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools, North Carolina Central University, Shaw University, Barber Schools, and a host of other churches and businesses. He has been able to do a self-funded book tour for his #1 Amazon Self-Help Book "Nuggets for Your Journey: Not the Ones You Eat".

His life's mantra is "Whole Thoughts. Whole Mind. Whole Person." Assisting others on their life's quest is part of his purpose in life. You can connect with Gene at [www.pompsdurham.com](http://www.pompsdurham.com).

**Dr. Ervin V. Griffin, Sr., President Emeritus, Halifax Community College**

Dr. Ervin V. Griffin, Sr., is President Emeritus of the Halifax Community College (Weldon, NC) and was the first African American to serve in this capacity. He was the founding President of West Virginia State Community and Technical College, Institute, West Virginia. President Emeritus Griffin was also the first African American professor and administrator at Southwest Virginia Community College in Richlands, Virginia. His career in higher education spans over 40 years.

Griffin earned his B.S. Degree in Teacher Education from Bluefield State College; M.S. Degree in College Student Personnel Services from Western Illinois University; Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies in Higher Education Administration from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (VPI); and the Doctorate of Education in Community College Education from VPI. He is also a graduate of Leadership Roanoke Valley sponsored by the Roanoke Valley Chamber of Commerce and Leadership West Virginia.

Griffin was exceptionally effective in resource development and earning HCC national recognition. HCC has received over 15 million dollars in local, state, and federal grant funding during his tenure. Other notable accomplishments included Griffin establishing the Annual American Indian Heritage Month, Prostate Awareness Day, Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Day, Presidential Forums, International Day, and Black History Month programs.

Griffin was inducted into the North Carolina Community Action Association Hall of Fame for his exemplary leadership and dedication for the advancement of the quality of life for low-income North Carolinians in May 2015. Halifax County Business Horizons awarded Dr. Griffin with the “Making a Difference Award” for his work in establishing the Roanoke Valley Early College on the Halifax Community College Campus. He received the Governors Living the Dream Award from the W.Va. Martin Luther King Holiday Commission and Governor Cecil Underwood. Griffin also received the Distinguished West Virginian Award from Governor Joe Manchin.

North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper awarded Dr. Griffin the Order of the Long Leaf Pine in 2017 for his exemplary service to the state of North Carolina. The Daily Herald named him the Roanoke Valley Community Champion for providing outstanding community service, caring for others, creating a positive environment, and in general making our communities a better place to live and work. He is a life member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. His fraternity selected him as the Outstanding National Alumni Brother of the Year at the Millennium Conference in Atlanta Georgia.

Griffin holds and has held membership in numerous local, state and national organizations including Roanoke Rapids Rotary International (Paul Harris Fellow), Mainstreet Roanoke Rapids, Halifax County Business Horizons, Halifax County Economic Development Commission, (ex officio), Choanoke Area Development Association Board of Directors (CADA), and the Roanoke Valley Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. He is a Life member of the NAACP and a member of the Trustee Board at the First Baptist Church in Weldon, NC.

Dr. Griffin attributes his success to his parents, his faith, and his community. Even though his father (a coal miner) never graduated high school and his mother was a high school graduate, they both had a deep respect for the power of knowledge and education. Dr. Griffin is the father of an adult son Ervin V. Griffin, Jr., a 1998 communications graduate of Concord University, Athens, West Virginia.

#### **Dr. A. Hope Williams, President, NCICU**

A. Hope Williams is in her 30th year as president of North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities (NCICU), the statewide office of the 36 private, nonprofit colleges and universities in North Carolina. She works closely with the State of North Carolina and the federal government, and with the North Carolina public K-12 and higher education sectors to address education and related public policy and funding issues. In addition, she oversees fundraising for student scholarships and grants as well as the



development of collaborative programs for the benefit of NCICU campuses. She joined NCICU in 1986 and has served as president since 1992.

Dr. Williams received her undergraduate degree from Duke University, an MPA from North Carolina State University and a Ph.D. in Education from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is a member of the Governor's Cabinet and was named a 2017 CEO of the Year by the Triangle Business Journal. She chairs the boards of MCNC, Dupont Circle Investments, and the North Carolina Aquarium Society, serves on the Governor's Education Cabinet and on the boards of the National Student Clearinghouse Research Center and the National Student Clearinghouse, College Foundation, Inc., the National Advisory Board of the Institute for Emerging Issues, the NCWorks Commission, the myFutureNC Commission, and Communities in Schools of North Carolina.