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Harris-Stowe Welcomes New Employees

ST. LOUIS, MO (October 14, 2014) – Harris-Stowe State University is pleased to announce the appointment of Reynolda Brown as the new director of admissions, advisement and retention; Emmanuel Lalande as the new dean of student success; Tammy Kimbrough as the new director of human resources; and James Green as the new director of financial assistance.

“I am pleased to welcome Mr. Brown, Mr. Lalande, Mrs. Kimbrough and Mr. Green as the newest team members of Harris-Stowe State University,” stated President Dr. Dwaun Warmack. “I am confident the skills, experience and professionalism they bring to their positions will effectively serve Harris-Stowe and play an integral part in making my vision to transform the landscape of higher education a reality.”

Prior to joining HSSU, Reynolda Brown served as the director of admissions for Bethune-Cookman University, where he provided guidance and direction to a staff of 14 admissions professionals. Additionally, he served as advisor for the Mid-West Club.

“It is an honor to be here in the “Gateway to the West” and have the opportunity to represent such a beautiful and inspiring university,” said Brown. “I look forward to speaking with students about our phenomenal institution. The best kept secret in St. Louis is about become exposed to the world!”

Brown has been immersed in the field of higher education for more than 19 years. His wealth of experience also includes the role of assistant director of admissions for both Michigan State University and the University of Michigan-Dearborn. At Michigan State University he acted as the voice and face of the largest university in the state for the entire Detroit metropolitan area. At the University of Michigan-Dearborn, he was the lead person for student of color and international student recruitment. He has also held the position of assistant director of admissions at Florida Memorial University, where he earned his bachelor of arts degree in criminal justice.

Born in Detroit, Mich., Brown has always had a special interest in assisting young people – in particular first-generation college students who dream and aspire to obtain a post-secondary education. After completing his undergraduate degree he worked as a juvenile justice counselor for Pinellas County, Fla. He has also worked as a juvenile counselor, assisting “at-risk” students within the city Opa-Locka, Fla.

Brown is a member of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admission Officers; the National Association of College Admissions Counselors; and the College Board. He

is a proud member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated. Brown comes to Harris-Stowe with his wife Shawuana and three daughters; Erika, Shavonne and Shavae.

Emmanuel Lalande, a native of Brooklyn, New York, comes to HSSU with ten years of higher education experience. He holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Delaware State University in Dover, Del., as well as a master's degree in educational leadership also from Delaware State University. Currently, Lalande is pursuing a doctorate of education degree with a concentration in organizational leadership at Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

"I am excited to serve as dean of student success with our President Dr. Dwaun Warmack in working to make Harris-Stowe State University one of the best universities in the region," stated Lalande.

Prior to joining HSSU, Lalande served as assistant dean/director of student involvement at Bethune-Cookman University where he provided vision, leadership and overall administration to the Department of Student Involvement. In this role he had oversight for the Office of Student Leadership & Activities, Office of Intramurals and Recreation Program, Office of Greek Life and the Office of Multicultural and International Services.

Additionally, he has also served as the director of student activities at Washington College in Chestertown, Md., and held the role of director of student leadership & activities and assistant to the vice president of student affairs at Delaware State University in Dover, Del. As assistant to the vice president, he supported student life, strategic planning and worked collaboratively with an array of senior administrators, directors, students and educators to create programs and policies for student success. Lalande comes to HSSU with his wife Tamara and their four year old daughter Emani.

Tammy Kimbrough brings more than ten years of senior human resources experience to HSSU. She has worked in a variety of industries including international manufacturing, long-term health care and social service. Prior to joining Harris-Stowe, Kimbrough served as the compliance officer for a local not-for-profit.

"I'm excited to join Harris Stowe's rich history of higher education," stated Kimbrough. "I'm equally excited to be a strategic part of Harris Stowe's new vision and operating direction."

She holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Wayland Baptist University in Anchorage, AK, and a master of business administration from Missouri Baptist University, in St. Louis, Mo. She is married to Wendell Kimbrough and together they are the parents of eight children.

James Green brings several years of student financial aid experience to his position as director of financial assistance. Originally from southern Missouri, Green joined the United States Air Force at the age of 18 where he served for four years. He used the GI bill to attend Central Missouri University (CMU) where he completed his undergraduate and graduate degrees. While attending CMU, Green worked in the Office of Financial Assistance as a federal work-study and then as a graduate assistant. Upon graduation he took a position at Moberly Area Community College in student financial assistance and eventually Missouri Western State College. Over the years he gained a wealth of knowledge about student financial aid, and eventually was given the opportunity to relocate to the east coast to work at the University of Maryland (UM). Following

his eight year tenure at UM, Green relocated back to Missouri to work at Everest College in Earth City, Mo.

“It was a unique experience to work on the for-profit side of higher education while at Everest, but I am very happy to now serve at Harris-Stowe as the director of financial assistance and to be back at a public institution where academics and student growth are the guiding principles” stated Green.

Harris-Stowe State University, located in midtown St. Louis, is a fully accredited four-year institution that offers 14 degree programs in the areas of teacher education, business and arts & sciences. In 2013, HSSU ranked No. 1 in the state in degree production of African-Americans in mathematics (Missouri Department of Higher Education). The university, which has been in existence for more than 150 years, offers the most affordable bachelor’s degree in the state of Missouri.

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