

BROTHER OF THE YEAR

EPSILON GAMMA LAMBDA CHAPTER



BROTHER DR. JERRY MICHAEL WHITMORE, JR.

Brother Dr. Jerry M. Whitmore, Jr. is a distinguished Clinical Assistant Professor within the Educational Leadership and Policy Studies department at Boston University Wheelock College of Education & Human Development. With over a decade of dedicated service in higher education, Dr. Whitmore is a passionate advocate for interrogating access and equity. His scholarly pursuits seamlessly integrate the realms of higher education, educational history, leadership, and sociology. Dr. Whitmore's research delves into the intricate dynamics of resource investments in recruiting students of color and their profound impact on retention. Notably, he has developed and implemented innovative frameworks for comprehensive services, specifically tailored for the transition and retention of STEM students, with a keen focus on underrepresented populations. Dr. Whitmore's collaborative efforts extend to educators, scientists, administrators, and community organizations, providing valuable research and resources that enhance teaching and learning, thereby broadening access to quality STEM experiences, both formal and informal. Dr. Whitmore earned his graduate credentials at Louisiana State University and furthered his academic journey as a Howard Hughes Medical Institute Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Brother Jerry M. Whitmore, Jr., Ph.D. is a Spring 2004 initiate of the Kappa Xi Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. at Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN. Brother Whitmore has dedicated considerable effort to bring together the Brothers of the Epsilon Gamma Lambda Chapter. He has inspired and motivated Brothers, urging each one to reinforce the strong bonds of Brotherhood within our cherished fraternity. Brother Whitmore took the lead in organizing our most recent chapter retreat and various social events. Additionally, he assumed the role of Dean of Membership, demonstrating a genuine commitment to the values and spirit of our Brotherhood. He communicates thoroughly, challenges fervently, and motivates each Brother to hold the Light of Alpha high.

Brother Whitmore is a kindhearted and compassionate family man, and he exemplifies *Espirit de Fraternite*, as did Brothers before him who were bestowed this honor. Brother Whitmore exhibits sound judgment, tenacity, personal resolve and dedication, in serving the fraternity and the community wherein our beloved chapter, Epsilon Gamma Lambda, is chartered.