

Curriculum Vitae

Darius Ajai Frasure

Education

National University, La Jolla, CA

M.F.A. in Creative Writing with specialization in Poetry (Terminal Degree)

English Literature (additional 18 Hours)

Concentration: Poetry

Thesis: stained glass medusa

Advisor: Professor Frank Montesonti

National University, La Jolla, CA

Completed coursework towards M.A. in English Literature with Specialization in Gothic Studies

Luther Rice Seminary and University, Lithonia, GA

M.A. in Apologetics

Paul Quinn College, Dallas, TX

B.S. in Secondary Education

Concentration: English, Language Arts and Reading

Certified by the Texas State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) to teach English Language Arts and Reading grades (8-12).

Teaching Experience

University of North Texas at Dallas (UNTD)

–August 2016 – Present

Adjunct Professor

-Developmental Writing TECM 1200

Tarrant County College, Fort Worth, TX

--August 2015 – Present

Adjunct Professor

- Introduction to English Literature: ENGL 1302

Mountain View College, Dallas, TX

--August 2012 - Present

Professor (Faculty)

- Forms of Literature I - Contemporary African American Poetry: ENGL 2342

-Developmental Writing: DWRI 090, 091, 093

-Integrated Reading and Writing: DIRW 0310

- English/Composition and Introduction to English Literature: ENGL 1301, 1302

-Creative Writing I and II: ENGL 2307, 2308

- American Literature I: ENGL 2327

-Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) and Writing Intensive Courses, which are based on the International Writing Across the Curriculum (IWAC) and Consequential Writing Pedagogies

-“Hybrid” or “blended” Courses

-“Flipped” Courses

-Online or “eLearning,” or “Distance Learning” Courses

-Honors Courses

A. W. Brown Fellowship Leadership Academy, Dallas, TX --July 2010 - July 2012

Teacher

- 6th Grade Language Arts,
- Social Studies,
- Chess

Mountain View College, Dallas, TX --August 2008 - July 2012

Adjunct Professor

- Developmental Writing 090, 091, 093

Carter High School, Dallas, TX --January 2005 - July 2010

Teacher-

- AP English Literature
- AP English Language
- Pre-AP English I and II
- Creative Writing
- English I, II, IV
- Reading I,
- Chess

Honors and Awards

Minnie Stevens Piper/Miles Production Company Award for Outstanding Full-Time Faculty
Mountain View College
August 2016

The DCCCD Full-time Excellence in Teaching Award recognizes outstanding college professors for academic, scientific and scholarly achievement, and their dedication to DCCCD students.

Advisor of the Year

Mountain View College Office of Student Life
April 2016

Recognized for work as faculty advisor of the student organization, Phi Theta Kappa, Omega Omega chapter.

Paragon Award for New Advisors

Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society
April 2016

A one-time award that recognizes advisors with less than four years of service as of the Annual Convention who have made significant contributions to the growth of the individual members, served as the chapter's advocate on campus, and encouraged the chapter to be involved on the local, regional and/or international level of the organization.

*Selected by a panel of judges from 51 nominees internationally.

Advisor Hall of Honors

Texas Region of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
March 2015

Recognized for work with the Omega Omega Chapter at Mountain View College 2014-2015

Advisor of the Year

Mountain View College Office of Student Life
April 2014

Recognized for work as faculty advisor of the student organization, Phi Theta Kappa, Omega Omega chapter.

Horizon Award

Texas Region of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
March 2014

Recognized for work with the Omega Omega Chapter at Mountain View College 2013-2014.
--The Horizon Award recognizes new advisors who participate in regional and international programs, and also recognizes more experienced advisors who have attained new levels of achievement in Phi Theta Kappa programs. The awards are presented based on recommendation from an advisor's District and/or Regional Coordinator.

Advisor Hall of Honors

Texas Region of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
March 2013

Recognized for work with the Omega Omega Chapter at Mountain View College 2012-2013

Innovation of the Year

League for Innovation at the Community College
May 2013

Recognized for work on the Mountain View College Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) 2012-2013

Outstanding Teacher for Principal Scholars

Dallas Education Foundation and Dallas ISD
May 2010

Recognized for mentoring influence in the lives of High School Students during the school year.

Outstanding Teacher for Principal Scholars

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May 2009

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Dallas Education Foundation and Dallas ISD
May 2008

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Publications and Papers

Books

stained glass medusa (poems) Dallas: UrbanArtLit Press, 2015

Poems

“Maturation,” “Echoes and Halos,” “Vapors” *The Manila Envelope*, Summer 2013.

“one too many from the looking glass” *Red River Review*, February 2016

“Venus” *Illyas Honey*, March 2016

“shadowbox” *Cattlemen & Cadillacs*, August 2016

Performances and Presentations

“Partner in Crime” Reading Performance during season 5 of *Oral Fixation An Obsession with True Life Tales*, at the Dallas City Performance Hall, Dallas, TX, February 2, 2016

Professional Memberships

-National Council Teachers of English (NCTE)

- National Association for Developmental Education (NADE)
- International Reading Association (IRA)
- Texas Community College Teachers Association (TCCTA)
- Texas Association of Black Personnel in Higher Education (TABPHE)
- Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society
- Dallas Poets Community
- The Academy of American Poets