

Dr. Marcellus Davis has spent over 15 years working towards racial educational equity in education (K-12 & Higher Education). He has held numerous positions through his educational career ranging from Urban Education Professor, Cultural Liaison, Transitions Advisor, Summer Program Director, Educational Program Designer, Diversity and Multiculturalism Director, Director of Achievement and Integration and American Indian Education, and Interim Director of Sankofa Underground North African Centered high school. He is a student of Critical Race Theory (CRT), in particular CRT in education, he specializes in student development, in particularly, racial identity development formations. He is a past President Elect of Minnesota National Association of Multicultural Education (MN-NAME). Most recently, Dr. Davis has taught as an Associate Professor in the Human Relations Department at the St. Cloud State University. Currently, he works for the organization Equity Alliance Minnesota, and he provides executive coaching around race equity to school administrators, provides professional development, and employs innovation towards radically transforming educational systems with racial equity at the core. He is a co-founder of Community Minded Educators LLC... This consulting company is designed to help organizations create equitable learning, working experiences or environments within their organization.

Dr. Davis has designed numerous college preparatory and transitional programs for higher education (Camp Building my Future Anoka Technical College, Cornerstones Jr. North Hennepin Community College, and Success Stepping into College Anoka-Ramsey Community College). Most recently, Mr. Davis helped design and implement the Robbinsdale Area Schools Civil Rights Research Experience. This experience provided students the opportunity to travel like Freedom Bus Riders and visit leaders in the Civil Rights movement and historical cities in the movement. This experienced culminated in learning exhibitions where students demonstrated their learning to the greater community. With this experience cultivating student activism at the core, students work with school districts to develop and implement Ethnic Studies around the state of Minnesota.

In an effort to add to the scholarvist contributions to academia and for everyday communities scholarship, Dr. Davis has recently co-authored a book chapter in the book titled *Going Deeper: Conversations About Race and Racism*, and has co-authored an article published in the International Journal of Critical Pedagogy titled *African American male teachers and African American students: Working subversively through hip-hop in three urban schools*. The Miseducation of Nigger in American Public Schools, Chapter 20; Talking About Race, Alleviating the Fear (2013). Lastly, his latest body of work is titled in the book titled *Out from the Shadows of Minneapolis: Power, Pride, and Perseverance at a Northern Community College: The Plaintiff Charges the State of Minnesota Educational System for the Murder of Marcellus Davis*.

Dr. Davis is a father, husband, son, brother, community member and extension of his ancestors whom have paved the path for him to continue their/our work for future generations of Black children to benefit.