

## **BIOGRAPHY FOR Dr. J. W. Wiley**

Dr. J.W. Wiley currently has a joint appointment as the Director for the Center for Diversity, Pluralism, and Inclusion at State University of New York - Plattsburgh and a Lecturer in Philosophy and Interdisciplinary Studies. Dr. Wiley completed his doctorate in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies from the University of Vermont in Burlington. His dissertation topic is titled: *An Evaluation of Films for Use in Developing "Leadership Moments" Within a Context of Diversity & Social Justice* and is currently seeking a publisher.

Previously Dr. Wiley also served as Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs, founder and director of the Claremont Graduate University (CGU) Diversity Office, Director of, the CGU Ronald E. McNair Post-baccalaureate Scholars Program (an undergraduate research program); founder and director of the CGU Minority Mentor Program; CGU's Special Assistant for Diversity (a position created for him); Chair of the CGU Diversity Task Force, and Director of Recruitment. Under his direction, CGU's McNair Scholars Program was awarded a one million dollar continuation grant. In 1996 Dr. Wiley was co-author and co-coordinator of the 8th Annual National Black Graduate Student Conference hosted by Claremont Graduate University which brought over 500 Black students to CGU's campus.

Dr. Wiley has designed many courses including *"The Philosophy of W.E.B. DuBois," "Philosophies on Romance, Sex, Love, & Marriage,"* and *"Examining Dimensions of Cool: A Study of Social Class."* Dr. Wiley also teaches *"Moral Problems-Societal Dilemmas"* and *"African American Culture from 1865-Present."* However, it is *"Examining Diversity through Film,"* (EDTF) a general education course he co-developed, and co-teaches every semester that is the true game changer. EDTF serves at SUNY Plattsburgh as both a professional development opportunity for faculty and a leadership development opportunity for students.

Dr. Wiley lectures, and keynotes at many colleges and universities. He has tremendous success with his interactive presentation titled Diversity Enlightenment, and is enjoying success as a consultant with his company, **X**amining **D**iversity. Dr. Wiley's client list includes Vermont National Guard; Los Angeles County Fire Department; University of California San Francisco Medical Center; Pfizer Pharmaceuticals; Wyeth Pharmaceuticals; Princeton's Jr. Scholars Institute; Norwich University in Vermont; New York State Nursing Association; Excelsior College; both PACE University of New York City and Westchester; University of Vermont; Champlain Valley Physicians Hospital; Paul Smith's College; Clinton Community College; SUNY Adirondack; various school districts, high schools and middle schools throughout the North Country of New York and Vermont; Homeland Security; Bombardier Corp; Girl Scouts of the North Country; Joint Council for Economic Opportunity (JCEO); North Country Legal Services; and the Plattsburgh New York Mayor's Office, City Council, and Police Department.

Dr. Wiley is an accomplished writer, lecturer, and poet. His book *"The NIGGER in You: Challenging Dysfunctional Language – Engaging Leadership Moments"* published in May 2013, is having quite a bit of success for its unique approach to developing and engaging leadership. He was prominently featured in the book, *Brothers of the Academy* with his chapter titled, *"Institutional Ethics, Forty Acres of So-Called Morality and Still No Mule."* He was a contributing author to the book *Retaining African American Administrators in Higher Education* with his chapter titled, *"African-American Administrators' Retention: "A Subconscious Deluge of Neglect, or Conscious Subterfuge to Reject?"* He also was a contributing author to the book *When Minorities Are Strongly Encouraged To Apply* with his chapter titled, *"Affirmative Actions at PWIs: "Explicating the Glass as Half Full by Pouring Something They're More Apt to Taste."*

In December 2009 Dr. Wiley received the inaugural John Brown Coming Home Award for “raising consciousness and promoting civility in the North Country of New York,” and was honored in 2011 by NY State Archives Trust by being the prominent academic selected to address the impact of the “I Have a Dream” speech for the “Power of Words” show on NPR. Dr. Wiley--in conjunction with Mountain Lake PBS--consulted, co-wrote and co-directed a widely viewed bullying documentary titled: “*Dissed-Respect: The Impact of Bullying.*” Dr. Wiley was also prominently featured in the film “Bro Code,” and the DVD “*Don’t Hate, Appreciate: Diversity*” which was a study of the implementation of a diversity initiative at Vermont’s Winooski school. Dr. Wiley has a blog on the largest newspaper in the North Country of New York State, the Press Republican’s website titled: *Wiley Wandering*, where he creates conversations about diversity & social justice.

Prior to his academic career, Dr. Wiley worked for three Fortune 100 companies, Hughes Aircraft Co., Rockwell International, and McDonnell Douglas Corp. where he attained the level of Sr. Specialist for the Long Beach, Ca Company. Dr. Wiley is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. and has had the poem he wrote immediately after joining the fraternity, “*Dare to Be and Alpha Man*” repeatedly published in the fraternity’s national magazine, The Sphinx, The poem was also published in the Centennial Edition of Sphinx Magazine in 2006, recited by the general president at the March 2011 Eastern Regional Conference in Bermuda, and recited by Dr. Wiley at the June 2011 National Convention in Chicago, Illinois. Recently the poem was included in a book titled: Alpha Phi Alpha: A Legacy of Greatness, where it was cited as one of the four “Alpha specific-poems, ” and Dr. Wiley was cited in a recently published book “Leadership and Service: The Making and Remaking of Alpha Phi Alpha, Volume 1 (2013) as one of the men who significantly contributed to shaping the first Black Greek letter organization, Alpha Phi Alpha.