

Biography

Dr. Morris Thomas is an Associate Professor at the University for the District of Columbia. In this role he serves in a training capacity, providing professional development for faculty & staff. He has previously held positions in administration at several public, private, for-profit and nonprofit institutions and organizations. He also served

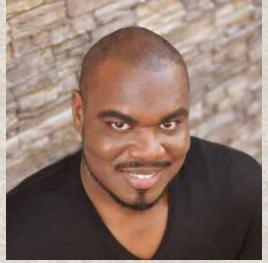
research associate, instructor and presenter. He has taught at all educational levels, including elementary, secondary and higher education. In addition to teaching he has an active research agenda and has been published in several refereed journals and other scholarly publications. He is the author of the book Focus: The Missing Factor: A Practical Guide to Accomplishing Your Goals.

In addition to publishing scholarship, Dr. Thomas has presented his research at academic conferences both nationally & internationally. Dr. Thomas is an accomplished speaker; his list of speaking venues include universities and colleges, corporations, seminars, churches, youth events, retreats and workshops involving a number of topics in the United States and abroad.

Dr. Thomas holds a Ph.D. in Higher Education (Administration) from Morgan State University, a M.A. in Educational Policy and Leadership from The Ohio State University, a M.S. in Instructional Technology Management from LaSalle University. He also has completed several professional certifications.

In addition to Dr. Thomas' academic background, he is a performing artist. He holds a M.M. in Classical Vocal Performance from New Jersey City University & a B.A. in Music (Vocal Performance) from Fisk University. He has sung with several leading opera companies in the United States. Dr. Thomas has also been able to combine

speaking, education and his performing into a dynamic lecture/recital where he provides interactive educational an experience for the audience, performing various genres of music. Dr. Thomas believes in giving back and currently serves on the Board of Directors for several organizations. Dr. Thomas is a multifaceted individual with a sincere passion to see people be empowered to excel!



Dr. Thomas has memberships/aliations with the following organizations:

- Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society in Education
- Pi Lambda Theta International Honor Society and Professional Association in Education
- Golden Key International Honour Society
- Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.
- Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity of America, Inc.
- American College Personnel Association
- American Guild of Musical Artists
- Association for the Study of Higher Education
- MVP SEMINARS (Speakers Bureau)
- The International Society for the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning

Endorsements Arreviews

Dr. Morris Thomas inspired our student leaders to 'Focus' on their goals and understand the purpose and missions of their organizations. The student leaders loved that they were able to outline their goals for the year and come up with plans to make the year a success. The goals and skills that Dr. Thomas shares with students are needed today more than ever as students are pulled in many directions with various things competing for their attention and time. Dr. Thomas' skilled presentation assists students in prioritizing what's most important and helps them keep track of their ultimate goal, successful matriculation through graduation. We are looking forward to bringing Dr. Thomas back to campus.

Dr. Shakeer A. Abdullah

"Dr. Thomas' presentation echoed the sentiments of his book. He spoke with the students, not to them. His practical guide to accomplishing goals was relatable to the students, and as such, the students were engaged. My students have internalized many of the words Dr. Thomas shared, and I am appreciative of the time he provided us."

Mr. Donray J. Bennett

Dr. Thomas brought insightful, practical, and applicable life enhancing skills to our "Empowerment Seminar". Participants left feeling engaged and determined to be more focused on their goals.

Mr. V. Ricardo Thomas, Sr.

"This book is thought provoking and holds your attention from the opening paragraph to the end."

Dr. Brenda Brown

"Dr. Thomas enlightens and challenges us... His candid transparency and forthright approach in this book will, without question, push all of us to a new level of focus and ultimately, success."

Mr Kristian A. Smith, MBA, M.Div.

"We all came to this plane of existence with our own set of natural talents that, when properly nurtured and applied, contribute to the excellence of all humanity. This is the case at any age, but especially with our youth, who sometimes just need a little push in the right direction. This book gives them that push."

L'Shauntee J. Robertson, Esq.

Dr. Thomas visited our institution and gave a motivating speech & performance to our student body. He was able to make an expeditious connection with a difficult audience and hold their attention for over an hour with operatic solos in between speaking; furthermore, he provided opportunities for students to participate in the performance. What a dynamic speaker and singer! Thank you Dr. Thomas,

Dr. Rachelle Harris

"This book is rich with proactive examples that can be used by clinicians of youth and adults to transition them from unfocused lifestyles to identifying how "Focus is The Missing Factor to Accomplishing Your Goals!"

Mr. Taron D. Williams, MSW, MS.Ed.

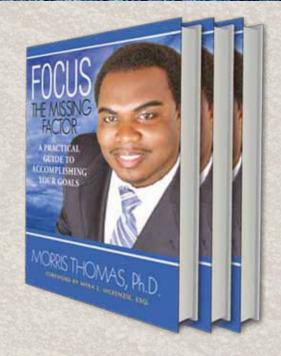
Selected list of speaking locations:

- Auburn University, Auburn, AL
- Montgomery Community College, Bluebell, PA
- LaSalle University, Philadelphia, PA
- Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA
- The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
- The Art Institute of Atlanta, Atlanta, GA
- Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD
- Faith Tabernacle Church, Highland Park, MI
- Bridges Academy Middle School, San Jose, CA
- NACURH, Inc. Conference, Columbus, OH
- PBCOHE's Student Leadership Development Institute, Altoona, PA

Book

The book, *Focus: The Missing Factor; A Practical Guide to Accomplishing Your Goals* is just what its title pronounces, a practical and sensible guide providing a great road map to take the reader from being a mere dreamer to an accomplished individual! This book provides the tools needed for the reader to advance from one point to the next along their journey to completing any particular task or objective.

The author uses relevant examples and shares personal experiences, including lessons from both his successes and failures to make the reader's journey as productive as possible. There are seven principles simply laid out for the reader to gain information in a very realistic, enjoyable, and easy to read fashion. In addition to the principles discussed in this book, there are several exercises included as well. The chapters are full of



useful knowledge to assist anyone in their pursuit to goal achievement. At the same time, the author is able to make "brevity the soul of wit" and does not overload the reader with too much information at one time.

This book empowers the reader to overcome the many excuses, obstacles, and distractions that prevent them from accomplishing their goals. This book is benecial for both those who are goal oriented and those who struggle to maintain focus.

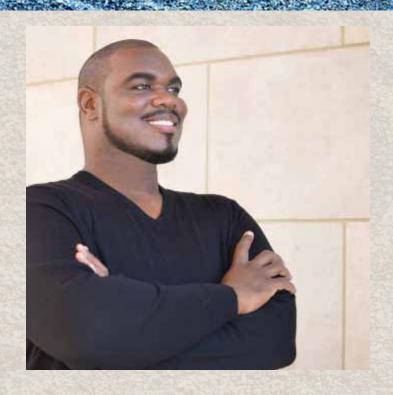


"This book is inspirational on many levels and should be owned by anyone who is goal oriented and or wants to help others in achieving their goals. Dr. Thomas has an uncanny ability to present hard life lessons and strategies in an easy to read practical way. After reading, it became an instant all time favorite for me. Thanks Dr. Thomas for sharing your wisdom and stories that I am sure will be used to transform the lives of many."

Carl S. Moore, Ph.D.

Find FOCUS: THE MISSING FACTOR; A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO ACCOMPLISHING YOUR GOALS in bookstores and other independent retailers near you or purchase online TODAY!!!!

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