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Public Policy

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Dissertation Title: A Review of the Implementation of the Violence Against Women Act and its Impact on Crimes Against Women in Louisiana.

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Dissertation Title: The Policy Implications of Legalized Medical Marijuana.

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Dissertation Title: The Spatial and Hermeneutic Phenomenological Analyses of East Baton Rouge's Food Accessibility

Major Professor: Leslie Taylor-Grover, Ph.D.

Science and Mathematics Education

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Dissertation Title: Effectiveness of the Khan Academy as Educational Intervention to Enhance Student Learning Outcomes of Pre-Calculus at the High School Level.

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Dissertation Title: An Investigation of Student and Faculty Perceptions of Mobile Application Adoption at a Historically Black College and University.

Major Professor: Albertha Lawson, Ph.D.

Nursing Research

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Dissertation Title: The Life-Style Promoting Behaviors, Spiritual Perspective, and Perceived Stress Among Sophomore and Senior Baccalaureate Nursing Students at a HBCU.

Major Professor: Wanda Spurlock, DNS, RN-BC, CNE, FNGNA, FAAN

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Dissertation Title: HIV-Related Knowledge, Attitudes and Perceived Stigma As Predictors of Sexual Lifestyle Behaviors of Older Adults.

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Dissertation Title: The Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences and Forgiveness on Nurses' Capacity for Compassion Satisfaction

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Dissertation Title: Assessing Tree Canopy Covers, Ecological Benefits, and Economic Values of Thirty Parks Along Urban and Rural Gradient in East Baton Rouge Parish.

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Dissertation Title: I-Tree Eco Model Application in Two Urban Parks in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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Thesis Title: Canopy Cover Evaluation and Relationship Establishment of Factors Affecting Soil Erosion For SUBR Scott Bluff.

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