Alumni Highlights (Contd)



Dr. Michele Wright graduated from the Public Policy Ph.D. Program in 2006, and is currently the Chief Executive Officer, Greater Ozarks-Arkansas Region, American Red Cross.



Dr. Michele Wright

Ph.D. in Public Policy (Health and Leadership Policy specialization), University of Arkansas, Fayetteville (2006)

M.S. in Industrial Engineering/Engineering Management, University of Tennessee Space Institute (1992)

B.S. in Electrical Engineering, Tuskegee University (1990)

In which department do you work?

I am currently the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Greater Ozarks-Arkansas Region with the American Red Cross with responsibilities for overseeing Red Cross blood services to 52 hospitals in Arkansas, southwestern Missouri and the greater Memphis area.

What are your current research interests?

As a Success Expert, my current research interests uniquely center on helping success seekers from all walks of life achieve success in career and life. My extensive research of some of America's most outstanding women achievers has served as inspiration for my multiple International Book Awards and USA Best Books Award-winning publication "DEAR SUCCESS SEEKER: Wisdom from Outstanding Women" (Atria/Simon & Schuster). This has allowed me to create a groundbreaking success model that I will implement in corporations, organizations and educational facilities around the world.

Other interesting information

When I reflect on my own roadblocks to success, including being born with a serious learning disability as well as a severe speech impediment resulting in my inability to speak before the age of five, I am reminded of how essential it is to have champions of success in our life to inspire us towards our own career success. I was very fortunate to have many success warriors in my life, including my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, my husband Terry Wright, my parents, Frankie and Garland Wise, and my professors including Dr. Anna Zajicek, all of whom uniquely supported my numerous success endeavors and empowered me to strive to achieve my full potential in career and life.

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