

## **Ramar Henderson, Ph.D.**

Dr. Ramar Henderson is originally from Carson, California. Dr. Ramar Henderson holds a Ph.D. in Rehabilitation from Southern Illinois University Carbondale, M.S. in Sport Psychology from California State University Long Beach, and B.A. in sociology from California State University Sacramento. He is currently an Assistant Professor in Rehabilitation Counselling at California State University Fresno. Previous academics appointments include Dr. Henderson's two-year fellowship as the first ever postdoctoral fellow at the University of Southern Indiana and included both academic and clinical responsibilities.

Dr. Henderson's research interests include multicultural and cross-cultural factors that impact the therapeutic relationship, mentorship, racial identity, sport psychology, Black psychology. From his research, Dr. Henderson has presented at multiple national and regional conferences such as the Association of Black Psychologists, National Council Rehabilitation Education Conference, The Winter Roundtable, American Psychological Association, and the National Multicultural Summit. As a scholar, his research continues to turn into manuscripts for publications and/or book chapters. As a doctoral student, Dr. Henderson was a co-instructor, teaching assistant, clinical supervisor, research assistant, consultant, and psychometrician. In addition, Dr. Henderson has extensive experience in service to the community. He has been involved with social activism, engaged in various speaking engagements regarding the personal and emotional challenges of Black male youth navigating higher education systems and has been consistently active with the SIU Black Men's Initiative. For his service, he received the Outstanding Graduate Student Award and continues to be recognized by his peers, faculty, and staff. In addition to his activism, Dr. Henderson has helped create several outreach programs to help college students navigate the collegiate landscape while at University of Southern Indiana.