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### Bio

Dr. Watkins is a graduate of the University of Houston - Victoria (BA), and Prairie View A & M University where she received her master's degree in Educational Administration, her PhD in Educational Leadership, and a graduate concentration in English. Debra and her husband Danny Watkins have been married for 31 years and have two grown sons, Derek and Dustin Watkins.

As an educator, Dr. Watkins is passionate about the needs, goals, and opportunities for the adult learner at the college and university level. Her goals and aspirations for her students are that they will learn to reach their full potential both academically and spiritually.

When not teaching, Dr. Watkins enjoys spending time with her husband and children and traveling as the opportunity presents itself.

### Publications

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