



Joseph Beard, Jackson State University- c/o 2013, History



Name : Joseph Beard

Your HBCU : Jackson State University

Graduation Year : 2013

Major : History

1. Where are you from? Who introduced you to HBCUs?*

St. Louis, MO. My father went to Jackson State, my mother to Spelman College. My maternal grandfather went to North Carolina A&T and my maternal grandmother went to Bennett.



Joseph Beard suited up playing for the "Sonic Boom" | Image Credit: Joseph Beard

2. Why did you choose an HBCU over a pwi?*

Family tradition, and I am a BandHead so I was going to march in one of the marching bands.

3. What is the story of your "experience" at Your HBCU given its heralded status as a stellar and prestigious institution?*

N/A



Joseph Beard, proud graduate of Jackson State University (Class of 2001) | Image Credit: Joseph Beard

4. "First time" experiences at your HBCU?*

N/A

5. Who are the professors that have impacted your life in and out of the classroom? How did they do that?*

Dr. Denoral Davis and he flunked me. I missed too many days in one of his classes and he flunked me. I tried to plead my case and he held to his guns. It was the way he did it, not in a bad way and I saw that he wanted me to do well but he could not give me anything. It made me want to make it right with him.

6. What sports do/did you play at your HBCU? What positions?*

N/A

7.

N/A

8. What sports and/or extra curricular activities did you do in High School? And why?

Track, Basketball, Band, community service. Track because my friends were into it and I won the state triple jump my senior year.

9. College crush?

One girl in the J Settes, and one girl who was a Delta.

10. How you heard about HBCU Interview Website?

N/A

11. Your wildest moment at college?

N/A

12. What is your funniest college story? (everyone has one lol)

N/A