



Bruce Hadley Antone

Class of 1983

Bruce Hadley Antone, a native of Mobile, Alabama enrolled at Tuskegee Institute in 1978. The son of Frances and Edward Antone Sr., Bruce lettered all four years in Track & Field between 1979-82, while being a three-time participant at the 1980-82 NCAA Division II National Track & Field Championship Meets. In 1980, he was the SIAC 110 Men High Hurdle Champion and was a NCAA semi-finalist. He finished 3rd in the 110 Men High Hurdle at the 1981-82 SIAC Championship Meets, and 2nd in the 400 Men Intermediate Hurdles in 1982.

In 1983, Bruce graduated with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering with a Minor in Physics. During his matriculation at Tuskegee, he was a member of the Mobile Alabama Tuskegee Student Club; and several Electrical Engineering Clubs. After completing his undergraduate degree, he pursued a M.S.E.E. degree at Tuskegee. Antone was inducted into Eta Kappa Nu, an Electrical Engineering National Honor fraternity. Additionally, he completed graduate studies in Public Administration at the Univ. of Central Florida. In May of 2023, Bethune Cookman University awarded Antone an Honorary Doctorate Degree.

Antone professional career began with IBM as an Accounts System Engineer where he progressively advanced until 1991. In 1992, Antone began to realized his passion and began a 40 plus years as a political leader. Antone political leadership in Florida includes eight terms in the Florida House of Representatives as a State Representative. During his tenure as a House of Representatives member, he has initiated legislation that was passed that benefited Bethune-Cookman University and 3 other Florida HBCU's. Additionally, Antone served on the Technological Research and Development Authority (Titusville, FL) and Director of Energy, Education and Minority Business Programs.

Antone is Co-Founder of Bridging Lives Inc., a 501c3 residential group home for girls ages 12-18 in foster care. He has been recognized many times for securing funding for afterschool programs, mentoring and calculus programs for minority students.

Bruce is a consistent supporter of Tuskegee Univ and the Tuskegee National Alumni Association.

He currently resides in Orlando, Florida.