

## Lazarus Goosby '08 National Association of Black Accountants - Financial Advisor

### Bachelor of Science, Business Management

I chose CSU because I wanted to have the capability to further my education while providing a stable income for myself as I continued to build a business. At the time I enrolled, I was running a family-owned electrical contracting company in Chicago. CSU offered me the mentors, education, and resources in a space where others had failed to see my potential. My favorite memory at CSU was graduation day where a former elementary school principal, who had doubted me, saw me in my cap and gown.

**I would put CSU professors up against any of those in the world.** The professors at CSU create an environment that welcomes tough questions and learning through trial and error. This classroom structure is a great reflection of the real world and has laid the groundwork for how I conduct myself professionally.

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Looking back on my days at Chicago State University, I think about how I could have done more to engage with the University. As a commuter student, most of my time on campus was solely in the classroom. I urge anyone who is a current student to take full advantage of the relationships and networks you can create at this great institution.

