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Shurita Thomas-Tate is an associate professor of speech-language pathology in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at Missouri State University. She teaches courses related to child language and literacy, autism and children with complex communication needs, and cultural and linguistic diversity. Shurita is the founder/director of Ujima Language and Literacy, a non-profit organization that exists to connect, empower, and advocate for children and families. She has been recognized and honored for her commitment to supporting the development and well-being of all children and for her commitment to community engagement. Dr. Thomas-Tate currently serves on the Board of Education for Springfield, Missouri R-12 Schools.

