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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

1. African-American Anthropology
2. Community Ethnography
3. Race, Gender and Housing
4. Women and Gender in Africa and the Diaspora
5. Youth and Community Organizations

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

Ph. D. 1992

Applied Anthropology
University of South Florida
Research Concentration: Women and Microenterprise

M.A. 1981

Communication Sciences
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois

B.A. 1979

Communication Sciences
Northern Illinois University

PROFESSIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Chair, Department of Africana Studies

August, 2011 –Present
University of South Florida

Director, Institute on Black Life-Center for Africa and the Diaspora

August, 2006-Present
University of South Florida

Associate Professor

May, 1998 – present
Department of Africana Studies
University of South Florida

Assistant Professor

August, 1993- May, 1998
Africana Studies Department
University of South Florida

Visiting Professor

1992-1993
Africana Studies Department
University of South Florida

Project Leader

May 1989 - August 1989
Operation Crossroads Africa
Lesotho, Southern Africa

Minority Programs Coordinator

1988-1989
The Graduate School
University of South Florida

ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

Women's Research and Education Institute (WREI) 1990-1991

Congressional Fellowship on Women and Public Policy
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Patricia Roberts Harris Doctoral Fellowship 1989-1992

Department of Anthropology
University of South Florida
Tampa, Florida

Dolores Auzenne Graduate Fellowship 1991

University of South Florida

Rhoten A. Smith Graduate Fellowship 1980-1981

Northern Illinois University

DeKalb, Illinois

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught:

AFA 2000 Introduction to the Black Experience in Africa and its Diaspora
AFA 4335 Black Women in America
AFA 4120 Major Black Thinkers
AFA 4900 African American Community Research (graduate & undergraduate)
WST 6406 Women of Color: Activism and Social Change (graduate)
AFA 6933 Women in Africa and the African Diaspora (graduate)

GRANT FUNDING AND RESEARCH SUPPORT

July 2013

\$3,000 USF Research Council

Conference Planning Grant for IBL Annual Conference

April 2012

\$8,000 USF Office of Community Engagement

Our Stories Are Here: Cultural Landscapes of Race, Memory and Meaning in Tampa

March 2012

\$3,000 USF Global Academic Partners Award

Project: Gender Activism and Advocacy in Ghana

August 2010

\$10,000 USF Global Academic Partners Award

Project: Gender Activism and Advocacy in Ghana

August 2010

\$3,000 USF Office of Community Engagement

Project: "Community Research and Service Learning"

March 2010

\$500.00 USF Office of Community Engagement Grant

Development of service learning course

August 2008

\$620,000 Dept. of Education, 21st Century Community Learning Centers

Project: "Faith-Based Community Integrated Access", A Collaborative Partnership with Five Afterschool Sites in Hillsborough County

August 2008

\$5,000 KnowHow2Go Grant—USF

Project focusing on drop-out prevention with local youth in Hillsborough County.

May 2008

\$75,000 Summer Global Literacy –U.S. Department of Education

Project focusing on literacy and drop-out prevention with local youth

June 2007

\$620,000 Dept. of Education, 21st Century Community Learning Centers

Project: “Faith-Based Community Integrated Access” A Collaborative Partnership with Five Afterschool sites in Hillsborough County.

May 2007

\$40,000 USF Sustainable Communities Grant—Graduate School

Project: “Women’s Health and Sustainable Healthy Communities: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Capability” (Co-PI)

April 2007

\$23,000 U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs

Project: “Citizens Exchange” Educational outreach with public officials in Cameroon, West Africa

October 2006

\$620,000 Dept. of Education, 21st Century Community Learning Centers

Project: “Faith-Based Community Integrated Access” A Collaborative Partnership with Five After-School Programs in Faith-based sites

January 2006

\$2,000 USF Collaborative for Children, Families and Communities

Service Learning Grant for African-American Community Research Class

September 2005

\$15,000 USF Collaborative for Children, Families and Communities

Project: “Effectiveness of Abstinence-Only vs. Comprehensive Sexual Education for African-American Youth at Elevated Risk”

December 2002

\$200,000 National Science Foundation

Project: “Deconcentration and Social Capital: Assessing the Impact of Relocation in Three Urban Neighborhoods”

September 2001

\$19,000 USF University Community Initiative Faculty Grant

Project: "Sulphur Springs: New Beginnings in an Old Neighborhood"

March, 2001

\$3,000 Institute on Black Life

Project: "HOPE VI: Resident's Perspectives"

May 2000

\$15,000 USF Collaborative for Children, Families and Communities

Project: "HOPE VI: The Impact of Housing Reform on an Urban Community"

May 1998

\$900 Faculty Development Grant

Project: "An Ethnography of Partners for the Common Good 2000"

April 1994

\$3000 Research and Creative Scholarship Grant

Project: "Visions and Voices: Oral Narratives of Black Women's Activist Traditions in Tampa"

March 1994

\$33,000 Make Florida Home Grant Florida Humanities Council

For public community research project entitled: "Central Avenue Legacies: Commerce and Community in Tampa's African-American History"

May 1990

\$10,000 Women and Public Policy Funding

For research on microenterprise policy in the House Select Committee on Hunger Women's Research and Education Institute
Washington, D. C.

PUBLICATIONS

Edited Volume

Rodriguez, Cheryl R., Dzodzi Tsikata and Akosua Adomako Ampofo, editors. 2015.
Transatlantic Feminisms: Women and Gender Studies in Africa and the Diaspora.
Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Books.

Monograph (based on dissertation research)

Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 1995. *Women, Microenterprise and the Politics of Self-Help.* New York: Garland Press.

Journal Articles

- Rodriguez, Cheryl. 2010. "Review of the Works of Mark Schuller and Gina Ulysse: Collaborations with Haitian Feminists." *American Anthropologist* 112(4), 638-640.
- Greenbaum, S. Wendy Hathaway, **Cheryl R. Rodriguez**, Ashley Spalding and Beverly Ward. 2008. "Deconcentration and Social Capital: Contradictions of a Poverty Alleviation Policy." *Journal of Poverty*, 12 (2), 201-228.
- Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 2008. "Beyond Today and Pass Tomorrow: Self-Efficacy Among African-American Girls in Youth Focused Organizations", *VOICES: The Journal of the Association for Feminist Anthropology*, 8 (1), 18-22.
- Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 2003. "Invoking Fannie Lou Hamer: Research, Ethnography and Activism in Low-Income Communities", *Urban Anthropology and Studies of Cultural Systems and World Development*, 32 (2): 231-251.
- Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 1998. "Recapturing Lost Images: Narratives of a Black Business Enclave." *Practicing Anthropology*, 20 (1), 6-11.
- Greenbaum, Susan and Cheryl Rodriguez , Guest Editors. 1998. "Central Avenue Legacies". *Practicing Anthropology*, 20 (1).
- Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 1998. "Activist Stories: Culture and Continuity in Black Women's Narratives of Community Work", *Frontiers: A Journal of Women Studies*, XIX (2):94-112.
- Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 1996. "African-American Anthropology and the Pedagogy of Activist Community Research", *Anthropology and Education Quarterly*, 27 (3): 414-431.
- Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 1996. "Anthropology and Womanist Theory: Claiming the Discourse on Gender, Race, and Culture", *Womanist Theory and Research*, 2(1):3-11.

Book Chapters

- Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 2015. "'You Got to Move!' Feminist Ethnography and Narratives of Displacement" In *Transatlantic Feminisms: Women and Gender Studies in Africa and the Diaspora*, edited by Rodriguez, Tsikata and Ampofo. Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Books.

Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 2006. "We Came With Truth": Black Women's Struggles against Public Housing Policy In *Homing Devices: Poor People and Public Housing Policies*, edited by Marilyn Thomas-Houston and Mark Schuller, Lexington, MA: Lexington Books.

Rodriguez, Cheryl R. and Yvette Baber. (2002) "Reconstructing A Community Through Archival Research" In *Doing Cultural Anthropology*. edited by Michael Angrosino, 63-70. Prospect Heights, Illinois: Waveland Press.

Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 2001. "A Homegirl Goes Home: Black Feminism and the Lure of Native Anthropology" In *Black Feminist Anthropology: Theory, Praxis, Poetics and Politics*. edited by Irma McClaurin, 233-257. Rutgers University Press.

Rodriguez, Cheryl R. (1999). "Flo Kennedy", In *Significant Contemporary Feminists: A Biocritical Sourcebook*, edited by Jennifer Scanlon, 150-155. NY:Greenwood.

Rodriguez, Cheryl R., Ella Taylor, Hilda Roselli and Daphne Thomas. 1997. "Feminist and Womanist Constructions of Care", In *Ethical Policies in Local Schools*. Edited by James Paul, 123-147. New York: Brookes Publishing.

Local Publication (Study Guide)

Rodriguez, Cheryl R. 2001. "Tampa During the Harlem Renaissance", In *Take the "A" Train: Duke Ellington and the Harlem Renaissance*. Edited by Navita James, 22-23. Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center/Community Foundation of Tampa Bay.

Book Reviews

Rodriguez, Cheryl. 2011. Review of *The Ruptures of American Capital: Women of Color Feminism and the Culture of Immigrant Labor* by Grace Kyungwon Hong. *American Ethnologist*, 38:3, 610-612.

Rodriguez, Cheryl 2003. Review of *Hair Story: Untangling the Roots of Black Hair in America*. *Transforming Anthropology*, 11:2, 64-64.

Rodriguez, Cheryl. 1999. "The Enduring Significance of Race" Review of *From Savage to Negro: Anthropology and the Construction of Race* by Lee Baker. *Journal of Anthropology and Humanism*.

Commentary/Op Ed/Professional Newsletters

Rodriguez, Cheryl. "Reflecting and Refocusing Feminist Anthropology". *Anthropology News*, 50(7), October 2009.

Greenbaum, Rodriguez, Ward and Spalding. "Displacement and Deconcentration in Tampa". *Anthropology News*, 49(9):10 & 14, December 2008.

Rodriguez, Cheryl. "Black Feminist Anthropology for the 21st Century". *Anthropology News*, 48(7):7, October 2007.

Rodriguez, Cheryl. "Opening the Doors—Again—For Black Faculty". *The Tampa Tribune*, March 25, 2007.

Greenbaum, Susan and Cheryl Rodriguez. "Ethnography and Public Housing: HOPE VI in Tampa". *Anthropology News*, 42(1):31, 2001.

Rodriguez, Cheryl R. (1998) "Gwaltney's Influence on African American Anthropology". *Transforming Anthropology* 7 (2).

Encyclopedia Entries

"Rape" *Encyclopedia of Race and Racism*. Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan Reference, Thomson/Gale Publishers, 2008.

"Social Welfare". *Encyclopedia of Race and Racism*. Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan Reference, Thomson/Gale Publishers, 2008.

Technical Reports

"Women's Activism in the Post-Katrina South: Rebuilding" A report for the Ms. Foundation. September, 2006.

Ethnographic Reports on Youth Opportunity Program, Lake Providence Louisiana, 2001, 2003, 2005

Ethnographic Reports on Youth Opportunity Program, Tampa Florida, 2001, 2003, 2005

"Critical Issues in the Lives of Florida's African American Teenage Girls". A report for The Florida Commission on the Status of Women. February, 1999.

"Corpo Micro: A Microenterprise Lender in Quito, Ecuador". A report for Partners for the Common Good 2000. October, 1997.

"ACEnet: Community Development through Network Building in Rural Ohio". A report for Partners for the Common Good 2000. August, 1998.

Creative Publications

Short Story

Rodriguez, C. 1997. "Love Dust and Minor Miracles". *Calyx Journal of Art and Literature by Women*. 17(4).

PROFESSIONAL/RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

Producing Anthropology through Community Engagement: Race, Research and Partnerships in Two Historically Black Neighborhoods **paper presented** at the American Anthropological Association, December 5, 2014.

Mothering While Black **paper presented** at the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C. December 4, 2014.

Transatlantic Feminisms: Interdisciplinary Conversations on Blackness, Gender, Class and Sexuality **paper presented** at the National Council for Black Studies, Indianapolis, Indiana, March 16, 2013.

Revisiting Solidarity: Feminist Thought and Practice in Africa and the Diaspora **Paper presented** at the 17th World Congress of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences, University of Manchester, United Kingdom, August 8, 2013.

Discrimination in housing, health, and employment **Presentation** for the Poverty and Inequality Forum, USF, September 26, 2013

Black Feminist Anthropology and the Intersection of Gender, Race, Poverty and Place **Paper presented** at the 112th annual meeting of American Anthropological Association, Chicago, Illinois. November 23, 2013.

Race, Place and the Politics of Borders: Black Community Research in the 21st Century South. **Session Organizer**, Chair and Participant. American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, California, November 17, 2012.

Public Housing Activism in the Wake of HOPE VI: Who Speaks for the Poorest of the Poor? **Paper presented** at the American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 20, 2010.

Doubly Displaced: Women and Public Housing After the New Orleans Post-Katrina Flood. **Discussant.** American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 19, 2010.

Wealth, Poverty and Displacement in Contemporary American Cities. **Chair.** American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 19, 2010

The Civil Rights Movement in Tampa. Paper presented at the Tampa Bay History Center, Tampa, Florida March 3, 2010.

More Clever than Honest: Urban Policy and the Death of a Historically Black Community. Paper presented at the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Cincinnati, Ohio, September, 2009.

Service Learning and Community Research. **Paper presented** at Crossroads II: Community-Based Collaborative Research for Social Justice, Institute for Community Research, Hartford, Connecticut, June 8, 2007.

Women's Activism in the Post-Katrina South. **Paper presented** at the Society for the Anthropology of North America, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 20, 2007.

"There are Supposed to be Neighborhoods": Service learning in a Community Research Class. **Paper presented** at the Society for Applied Anthropology, Tampa, Florida, March 29, 2007.

Depending on the Secondhand Housing Market: The Lives of Black Women in Marginalized Communities. **Paper presented** at the Society for Applied Anthropology, Vancouver, B.C. Canada, March 30, 2006.

Beyond Today and Pass Tomorrow: Self-Efficacy Among African-American Girls in Youth-Focused Organizations. **Paper presented** at the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., December 3, 2005.

Organizer, *"Show Me the Money": Critical Issues in Minority Research Funding.* Committee on Minority Issues in Anthropology, American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C. December 2, 2005.

Stumbling Across Boundaries: Race and Class Politics in the Work of the Scholar-Activist. **Invited Presentation**, Brown University, November 8, 2005.

Freedom Dreams: The African-American Struggle for Emancipation. **Keynote Address**, City of Tampa Emancipation Day Celebration, May 20, 2005.

The Ethnography of Leases, Lies and Loss. **Paper presented** at the Society for the Anthropology of North America, Merida, Mexico, May, 2005.

Police Containment in Public Housing: Episodes in the War on the Poor in Tampa, Florida. **Paper presented** at the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, Illinois, November 19, 2003.

Invoking Fannie Lou Hamer: Anthropology, Education and Grassroots Organizing in a Public Housing Community. **Paper presented** at the American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 23, 2002.

Gendered Anthropology Through Transnational Lenses: Voices of Women of Color. **Organizer, Chair and Discussant**, American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 21, 2002.

Organizer and Chair, “Dialogues on the Diaspora: Blackness in a Globalized World” 2nd International Conference—Association of Black Anthropologists. June 17-21, 2002, Panama City, Panama.

Indicators and Perpetrators: Reconceptualizing Low Income Mothers in Toxic Communities. **Paper presented** at CASCA/SANA Conference, University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario, Canada, May 4, 2002.

Public Housing in the New Millenium: New Hope or Same Old Divides? **Discussant**, American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., December 1, 2001.

Organizer and Chair, AAA Presidential Panel
Public Myths Private Realities: The Complexities of Poverty Through the Anthropological Lens
American Anthropological Association, Washington D.C. November 30, 2001

We Came With Truth: Black Women Speaking out Against the Criminalization of Poor Communities, **Paper presented** at the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C. November 30, 2001.

Housing Reform in the 21st Century: HOPE VI and the End of Public Housing as We Know It, **paper presented** at the Society for Applied Anthropology, Merida, Mexico. March 28, 2001.

Demolition, Dislocation, Development and Despair: Ethical Issues in Public Housing Reform, **Paper presented** at AmFiTan International Conference on Ethics and Development, University of South Florida, February 19, 2001.

Cuba and the African Diaspora, **Paper presented** at the Association of Black Anthropologists Conference, Havana Cuba. July, 2000.

Feminism and Economic Development: An Ethnography of Partners for the Common Good Loan Fund, **Paper presented** at the AmFiTan International Conference on Ethics and Development, Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania, February, 2000.

Women’s Human Rights: Developing the Agenda, Discussant, American Anthropological Association, Philadelphia, PA. December 3, 1998.

Black Survival 2000: Urban Environmentalists and the Status of African Americans at the Turn of the Century, **Discussant**, American Anthropological Association, Philadelphia, PA. December 2, 1998.

More Clever Than Honest: Central Avenue and the Myth of Urban Progress.
Paper presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology, San Juan, Puerto Rico,
April 24, 1998.

*Anthropology and the "Folk": Building a Bridge Between Womanist Intellectualism and
Community Activism.* Paper presented at the American Anthropological Association,
Washington, D. C. November 1997.

CorpoMicro: Microenterprise in Quito, Ecuador. Report presented to the Board of
Directors, Partners for the Common Good 2000, at the National Association of Treasurers
of Religious Institutions, Denver, Colorado. November, 1997.

*Challenges and Changes: The Work of Black Women Activists in Tampa, Florida
1960-1990.* Paper presented at the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco
California. November 1996.

*Recognition, Reconnection and Rewards: Anthropology and African-American History
in Tampa.* Paper presented at the Southern Anthropological Society, Baton Rouge,
Louisiana. February, 1996.

It Was a Great Place to Be: Central Avenue and the Definition of Black Community.
Paper presented at the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D. C.
November, 1995.

Womanist Views: Anthropology and Black Feminist Thought. Paper presented at the
American Anthropological Association, Atlanta, Georgia. November, 1994.

Teaching African-American Anthropology. Paper presented at the Society for Applied
Anthropology, Cancun, Mexico. April, 1994.

Microenterprise: Fighting Women's Poverty Through Economic Development Policy.
Paper presented at the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, California.
November, 1992.

Seminars, Symposia, Workshops and Community Presentations

Presenter

"Connecting with the World"
USF 8th Annual Diversity Summit
April 26, 2011

Program Facilitator

Florida Emancipation Day
Tampa Bay History Center
May 20, 2009

Discussant

Social Justice Roundtable—The U.S. Civil Rights Movement
Eckerd College
February 4, 2009

Keynote Speaker

Latino Coalition of Tampa Bay—10th Anniversary Conference
Tampa, Florida
November 14, 2007

“African American Women and the Practice of Community”
Presentation at the Alpha Kappa Alpha Exhibit
John German Library, Tampa
September 19, 2007

Keynote Speaker, “The Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King”
Defense Contract Management Agency
Black Emphasis Month program
St. Petersburg, Florida
January 30, 2007

Program Facilitator

Robert W. Saunders Foundation Fundraiser, featuring Julian Bond
January 27, 2007

Women Entrepreneurs in the Segregated South
Florida Heritage Celebration
University of Tampa
April 5, 2007

HOPE VI: A Study of Urban Reform
Institute on Black Life Advisory Board Presentation
November 6, 2001

HOPE VI: Prospect or Penalty?
Research Seminar
Collaborative for Children, Families and Communities
University of South Florida
September 19, 2001

Social and Political Life in Tampa During the New Negro Movement Era
Symposium, “Harlem Renaissance: Lesson Learned”
Institute on Black Life
University of South Florida
March 22, 2001

Black Women's Political Leadership in America
Leadership Forum
Jewels of Tau Student Service Organization
University of South Florida
February 24, 2001

The Politics of the Harlem Renaissance
Community Lecture
Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center
February 21, 2001

Workshop Leader, *ABA Writing/Mentoring Workshop for Graduate Students*.
American Anthropological Association. November 16, 2000.

Workshop Leader, *ABA Writing/Mentoring Workshop for Graduate Students*. American
Anthropological Association, November 20, 1999.

The Politics of Graduate School for African American Students. Presentation for the
McKnight Doctoral Fellows, Florida Education Fund. June 27, 1998.

Becoming a Qualitative Researcher. Presentation for the SUS Special Summer Program.
The Graduate School, University of South Florida. June 26, 1998.

Empowering People and Communities. Presentation for the Tampa Urban League, Tampa
Florida, August 27, 1998.

Anthropology in Urban Settings. Discussant. 22nd Annual Internship Colloquium,
Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida, April 3, 1998.

The Work of a Contemporary Anthropologist. Presentation for the USF Summer
Leadership Program for Young Women, July 8, 1997.

The Status of Women on a Global Level. Paper presented for Women's Awareness Week.
University of South Florida. March, 1992.

Politics and Policy on Congressional Committees. Presentation to Women's Research
and Education Institute. Washington, D. C. August, 1991.

Invited Presentations

Women of Africa and Human Rights Issues. Amnesty International USF. "International
Women's Human Rights Week". September 29, 1999.

Images of Central Avenue. Tampa Public Library. “Florida Photographic Exhibit and Program”. April 24, 1999.

Black Places: The Politics of Change and Representation. University of New Orleans Department of Anthropology Lecture Series, “Anthropology in Public: Anthropological Research Beyond the University”. October 29, 1998.

Oral History and Community Involvement. Black Arts and National Diaspora Center, New Orleans, Louisiana. October 30, 1998.

HONORS, AWARDS, AND SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES

November 9, 2014

William R. Jones Outstanding Mentor Award, Florida Education Fund

September 6, 2014

Outstanding Achievement in Education Award, H’ Attitude Award 2014, St. Paul AME Church

April 2007

Fellow, Society for Applied Anthropology

March 2005

Department of Women’s Studies Faculty Star Award

October 2002

The Kente Award for Community Leadership

February, 2000

Award from Multicultural Graduate Programs Office.

December 1996

Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching from the **Teaching Incentive Program**, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Florida.

March 1996

Distinguished Alumni Award from the Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida.

January 1996

Award for Service and Dedication to Students from the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Tampa, Florida.

February 1995

Outstanding Faculty Award for Community Service from the Black Graduate and Professional Student Organization.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Memberships

1. American Anthropological Association (AAA)
2. Association of Black Anthropologists (ABA)
3. Association for Feminist Anthropology (AFA)
5. Society for the Anthropology of North America
6. Society for Applied Anthropology

Service and Leadership -- Professional Associations

2014-2016

Secretary, International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences,
Commission on Women in Anthropology

2012 - 2014

Committee on Practicing, Applied and Public Interest Anthropology (COPAPIA),
American Anthropological Association

2007-2011

American Anthropological Association Section Assembly Executive Board

2007-2009

President, Association for Feminist Anthropology

2003- 2004

Chair, AAA Committee on the Status of Women in Anthropology

2001-2003

Member, AAA Committee on the Status of Women in Anthropology

2001-2004

Member, AAA Minority Affairs Committee

1999- 2001

President, Association of Black Anthropologists

1996-1998

Secretary-Treasurer, Association of Black Anthropologists.

1995-1998

Contributing Editor to the *Anthropology Newsletter* for the Association for Feminist Anthropology.

CONTRIBUTIONS/SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY/CAS

Faculty and Committee Work-University of South Florida

CAS Staffing and Business Process Efficiencies Committee, 2013

Member, CAS Dean's Steering Committee, 2012

Member, Advisory Committee USF Humanities Institute, 2012 -2014

Member, USF Office of Community Engagement Advisory Committee
2009-2010

Member, ISLAC Advisory Board
2009-Present

Chair, Africana Studies Tenure and Promotion Committee
2008-2009

Member, Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on University-Community Engagement
2005-2006 Academic year

Chair, Africana Studies Search Committee for African-American History Scholar
University of South Florida
2004-2005 Academic year

Chair, Africana Studies Search Committee for African History Scholar
University of South Florida
2002-2003 Academic year

Chair, USF Status of Women Committee
2003-2004 Academic year
2002-2003 Academic year

Member, Dean's Search Committee
College of Arts and Sciences
October, 2001-April, 2002

Member, Research Advisory Committee
College of Arts and Sciences
November 2001-2002

Member, USF Status of Women Committee
University of South Florida
2001-2004

Member, Provost Search Committee
University of South Florida
December 2000-April 2001

Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee
College of Arts and Sciences
1999 – 2000

Senator and Parliamentarian
Faculty Senate, University of South Florida
September 1998-2001

Tenure and Promotion Committee
USF College of Arts and Sciences
Fall 1998 - 1999

Sister-to-Sister Program, USF-Hillsborough County Schools,
Institute on Black Life, September 1997 – June 1998.

Chair, Dean's Advisory Council, College of Arts and Sciences, 1996-1997.

Member, Dean's Advisory Council, College of Arts and Sciences, 1995-1996.

Member, USF Delegation, African and African-American Summit, Libreville, Gabon,
Africa, May 23 - 29, 1993.

Faculty Advisor and Editor, *Southern Griot*, Literary Journal of the Africana Studies
Club, 1993-1995.

SERVICE/CONTRIBUTIONS TO COMMUNITY

African-American History Advisory Committee for Hillsborough County Schools, 2014

County Historian, appointed by Board of County Commissioners, April 2013-2016

Member, Historic Advisory Council, Hillsborough County, 2013-2016

Chair, Sankofa Collaborative, 2009-2013

Member, Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Tampa Bay Chapter 2006-Present

Member, Board of Directors of the Historic Harlem Academy Alumni Association

Member, Community Services and Initiatives, YMCA Advisory Board, 2009-2013

Organizer, Central Avenue Area Community Forum, February, 2005

Member, Advisory Board, Ophelia Project 2005-2006

Member, Advisory Board, WMNF Community Radio, 1998-1999.

Member, Advisory Board, Planned Parenthood Southwest and Central Fla. 1996-2001.

Supervision of Graduate Research

Dissertation Committees:

1. Member, Dissertation Committee, William Newell (Education)
2. Member, Dissertation Committee, Corliss Heath (Anthropology) Defended, October 2014.
3. Member, Marilyn Aluoch (College of Nursing)
4. Member, Dissertation Committee, Dawn Hayes (Anthropology) Defended, October 2013
5. Member, Dissertation Committee, Cassie Workman (Anthropology) Defended 2013
6. Member, Dissertation Committee, Dawn Hayes (Anthropology) Defended 2013
7. Member, Dissertation Committee, Lauren Johnson (Anthropology) Defended October 2012
8. Member, Dissertation Committee, Lance Arney (Anthropology) Defended October 2012

9. Member, Dissertation Committee, Brett Mervis (Anthropology) Defended April 2012
10. Member, Dissertation Committee, Rohan Jeremiah (Anthropology) Defended February 2012
11. Member, Dissertation Committee, Nicole West (Education), Defended June, 2011
12. Member, Dissertation Committee, Keona Lewis (Anthropology) Defended November, 2011
13. Member, Dissertation Committee, Linda Callejas (Anthropology) Defended October, 2010
14. Member, Dissertation Committee, Alisha Winn (Anthropology) Defended April, 2010.
15. Member, Dissertation Committee, Ashley Spalding (Anthropology) Defended January 2008
16. Member, Dissertation Committee, Robyn Boylorn (Communications) Defended January, 2009
17. Member, Dissertation Committee, Cheryl Levine (Anthropology) Defended December 1, 2003
18. Member, Dissertation Committee, Jonathan Gayles (Anthropology) Defended 2002
19. Member, Dissertation Committee, Elgin Klugh (Anthropology) Defended 2004
20. Member, Dissertation Committee for Brent Stoffle (Anthropology) Defended 2001
21. Member, Dissertation Committee for Yvette Baber (Anthropology). Defended April, 1999.

Masters Degree/Internship Committees:

1. Chair, Thesis Committee, Lisa Armstrong (Africana Studies)
2. Member, Thesis Committee, Laura Baum (Anthropology)
3. Member, Thesis Committee Tomaro Taylor (Humanities)
4. Chair, Thesis Committee, Abney Henderson (Africana Studies).Defended Summer 2014.

5. Internship Director for Frankie James (Africana Studies). Degree Completed 2012.
6. Internship Director for Robin Baldwin (Africana Studies). Degree Completed 2011.
7. Internship Director, Shahjayla Connors, (Africana Studies, graduate certificate). Degree completed 2010.
8. Internship Director, Walter Smith (Africana Studies). Degree completed 2010.
9. Internship Director for Erica Fox (Africana Studies). Degree completed 2010.
10. Major Professor, Thesis Committee, Tunisia Riley (Women's Studies) Defended, 2009
11. Major Professor, Thesis Committee, Nicole Sealey (Africana Studies) Degree Completed 2007
12. Member, Thesis Committee, Maressa Dixon (Anthropology) Degree Completed 2009
13. Major Professor, Thesis Committee, Rhone Frasier (Africana Studies) Defended 2007
14. Internship Director for Sherri Anderson (Africana Studies) Degree Completed 2006
15. Internship Director for Titilayo Kendrick (Africana Studies) Degree Completed 2006
16. Member, Thesis Committee, Cara Okopny (Women's Studies). Defended 2005
17. Member, Thesis Committee, Wendy Hathaway (Anthropology) Defended 2005
18. Member, Thesis Committee, Elizabeth Dedrick (Women's Studies). Defended March 31, 2004.
19. Member, Thesis Committee, Maya Harper (Anthropology) Defended 2004
20. Member, Thesis Committee, Saba Uddin (Women's Studies). Defended 2003
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