#### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

# FRANK A. BIAFORA, Ph.D. fbiafora@usf.edu

#### **EDUCATION**

1991	Ph.D. Sociology, University of Miami, Florida
1988	M.A. Sociology, University of Florida
1983	B.A. Sociology, University of Florida

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### 2007 - Present

Professor of Sociology Department of Sociology and Interdisciplinary Social Sciences University of South Florida

#### 2018 - 2019

Executive Director Open Partnership Education Network

#### 2007 - 2018

Dean, College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) University of South Florida St. Petersburg

#### 2016 - Present

Co-Founder and Faculty Advisor - USFSP Brewing Arts Program

#### 1993 - 2007

St. John's University, NY, NY

# Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences Graduate Division, 1999 - 2007

Tenured Associate Professor Department of Sociology, Anthropology, Social Work and Criminology, 1999-2007

Assistant Professor, 1993-98

Coordinator, Criminology and Justice Program, 2005-2007

Director, Ronald McNair Scholars Program, 1999-2007

#### 1991 - 1993

University of Miami, Miami, FL

**Research Assistant Professor and Post-Doctoral Fellow** 

#### LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- American Council on Education (ACE) Fellow, 2015-16.
- Harvard University Graduate School of Education: Institute for Management and Leadership of Education (MLE), summer 2011
- Graduate of Leadership St. Pete, a Chamber sponsored leadership program, 2008
- Fulbright Senior Scholar, Vietnam, 2006
- Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences (CCAS), member 2003 present Chair of Metropolitan and Urban Universities Sub-Committee, 2011-12 Annual Conference Planning Committee member, 2005
- Council of Graduate Schools (CGS), member 2000-07
- Northeast Council of Graduate Schools (NAGS), 2000-07
- Association of Catholic Graduate Schools in Graduate Colleges and Universities, 2000-07
- American Society of Criminology (ASC), 1993-2005
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS), member 1998-2005
- Association for Equality and Excellence in Education, 2002-07; Board Member 2003-07
- Graduate of Leadership Miami, a community-leadership program, 1991

#### PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Florida Humanities Council, Board of Trustees, 2017 Present
- Pinellas County Urban League Board of Trustees

Member of Audit Committee: 2019 - Present

Board Member: 2010 - 2019

Board Chair: 2016-18

Southern Association of Colleges & Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC):

Reaffirmation Committee Reviewer: 2012, 2014, 2021

American Stage Theatre Company Board of Trustees

Board Member: 2008-13 Board Chair: 2011-13

- National Forensic Science Tech Center (NFSTC) Board of Directors, 2014 to 2018
- Leadership St. Petersburg Alumni Association Board, 2012-15

Chair of Professional Development Committee

- Coach, KidSports Summer Children's Soccer League, 2015; Flag Football, 2018
- Mentor, Lakewood Elementary School, 2014 2016
- Chair, American Heart Association Annual Heart Walk Campaign at USFSP, 2009

#### SCHOLARSHIP AT A GLANCE

- 20 Peer Review Articles
- 1 Co-Authored Book
- 7 Book Chapters
- 36 Professional Conference Presentations
- Project Investigator of \$2 million in external grant funding

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS:**

Community Building, Collective Impact, Social Change Inequality and Social Justice Delinquency and Youth Development Social Science Research Methodology, Statistics and Data Analytics

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

# I. PEER REVIEW JOURNALS:

Ansalone, G. & F. Biafora (2010).

"Tracking in the Schools: Perceptions and Attitudes of Parents." Race, Gender & Class, 17 (1-2): 226-240.

Biafora, F. & G. Ansalone (2008).

"Perceptions and Attitudes of School Principals Towards School Tracking: Structural Considerations of Personal Beliefs." <u>Education</u>, 128 (4): 588-602.

Biafora, F., & G. Warheit (2007).

"Self-Reported Violent Victimization Among Young Adults in Miami, Florida: Immigration, Race/Ethnic and Gender Contrasts." International Review of Victimology, 14: 29–55.

Ansalone, G., & F. Biafora (2004).

"Elementary School Teachers' Perceptions and Attitudes to the Educational Structure of Tracking." Education, 125 (2): 249-258.

Carrol, J., McGovern, J., Torres, J., Walker, J., Pagan, E., & F. Biafora (2000).

"A program evaluation study of a nursing home operated as a modified therapeutic community for chemically dependent persons with AIDS Project Samaritan AIDS Services, INC.'s Residential Health Care Facility, Highbridge Section, Bronx, NY." <u>Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment</u>, 18: 373-386.

Biafora, F. & R. Costello (1999).

"Censoring the Press: The Supreme Court Rules On Media Ride-Alongs." <u>Picturing Justice</u>. http://www.usfca.edu/pj/censoring.htm, (May).

Costello, R. & F. Biafora (1999).

"Just the Facts Ma'am": The Supreme Court Says 'No' to Media Ride-Alongs." <u>Journal of Criminal Justice and Popular Culture</u>, 7 (1): 15-25.

Gil, A., Vega, W., & F. Biafora (1998).

"Temporal Influences of Family Structure, and Family Risk Factors on Drug Use Initiation in a Multiethnic Sample of Adolescent Boys." <u>Journal of Youth and Adolescence</u>, 27 (3): 373-381.

Taylor, D., Biafora, F., & G. Warheit (1997).

"Family Factors, Theft, Vandalism, and Major Deviance Among a Multiracial/Multiethnic Sample of Adolescent Girls." Journal of Homeless and Social Distress, 6 (1), 71-87.

Kingery, P., Biafora, F., & R. Zimmerman (1996).

"Risk Factors for Violent Behaviors Among Ethnically Diverse Urban Adolescents." <u>School Psychology International</u>, 17 (2): 171-188.

Biafora, F. (1995).

"Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Illness and Wellness: Implications for Depression." <u>Journal of Social Distress and the Homeless</u>, 4 (2): 105-129.

Biafora, F., Warheit, G., Gil, A., & W. Vega (1995).

"Stressful Life Events and Changes in Substance Use Among a Multi-Racial/Ethnic Sample of Adolescent Boys." <u>Journal of Community Psychology</u>, 22: 296-311.

Warheit, G., Biafora, F., Vega, W., & R. Zimmerman (1995).

"Self-Rejection/Derogation, Peer Factors and Alcohol, Drug, and Cigarette Use Among a Sample of Hispanic, African-American, and White Non-Hispanic Adolescents." <u>International Journal of the Addictions</u>, 30 (2): 97-116.

Taylor, D., Biafora, F. & G. Warheit (1994).

"Racial Mistrust and Disposition to Deviance among African American, Haitian, and Other Caribbean Island Adolescent Boys." <u>Law and Human Behavior</u>, 18 (3), 291-303.

Zimmerman, R., Vega, W., Gil, A., Apospori, E., Warheit, G & F. Biafora (1994).

"Who is Hispanic? Definitions and Consequences." <u>American Journal of Public Health</u>, 84 (12): 1985-1987.

Biafora, F., Warheit, G., Taylor, D., Zimmerman, R., & W. Vega (1993).

"Racial Mistrust and Deviant Behaviors Among Ethnically Diverse Black Adolescent Boys." Journal of Applied Social Psychology, 23: 891-910.

Biafora, F., Taylor, D. Warheit, G., Zimmerman, R., & W. Vega (1993).

"Cultural Mistrust and Racial Awareness among Ethnically Diverse Black Adolescent Boys." <u>Journal of Black Psychology</u>, 19 (3): 266-281.

Warheit, G., Langer, L., Zimmerman, R., & F. Biafora (1993).

"The Prevalence of Bulimic Behaviors and Bulimia Among a Sample of The General Population." American Journal of Epidemiology, 137 (5): 569-576.

Warheit, G., & F. Biafora (1991).

"Mental Health and Substance Abuse Patterns Among a Sample of Homeless PostAdolescents." <u>International Journal of Adolescence and Youth: Special Problems of Adolescence and Youth,</u> (3):1,2.

Biafora, F., & C. Longino (1990).

"Elderly Hispanic Migration in the United States." Journal of Gerontology, (45):5, 212-219.

# II. BOOKS:

Javier, R., Baden, A., Biafora, F., & A. Camacho (Eds). (2006).

<u>The Handbook of Adoption: Implications for Researchers, Practitioners and Families</u>. Sage, CA. (ISBN: 1-4129-2751-X)

#### **III. BOOK CHAPTERS:**

Biafora, F. (2007).

"Immigrant Children, Drugs, Crime and Violence: The New York City Experience." In Camacho-Gingerich, A. (Ed). The Immigrant Experience in New York City: A Resource Guide, pp. 23-36. Published by the NYC Department of Youth and Community Development, Office of Immigrant Initiatives, NY (ISBN 0-9725824-2-8).

Biafora, F., Javier, R., Baden, A., & A. Camacho-Gingerich (2006, Dec).

The Future of Adoption: A Call to Action. In Javier, R., Baden, A., Biafora, F., A. Camacho (Eds.). The Handbook of Adoption: Implications for Researchers, Practitioners and Families. Sage, CA.

Biafora, F. & D. Esposito (2006, Dec).

Adoption Data and Statistical Trends. In Javier, R., Baden, A., Biafora, F., A. Camacho (Eds.). <u>The Handbook of Adoption: Implications for Researchers, Practitioners and Families</u>. Sage, CA.

Javier, R., Baden, A., Biafora, F., & A. Camacho-Gingerech (2006, Dec).

Taking Adoptions into the New Millennium: An Introduction. In Javier, R., Baden, A., Biafora, F., & A. Camacho (Eds.). <u>The Handbook of Adoption: Implications for Researchers, Practitioners and Families</u>. Sage, CA.

Esposito, D. and F. Biafora (2006, Dec).

Toward a Sociology of Adoption: Historical Deconstruction. In Javier, R., Baden, A., Biafora, F., A. Camacho (Eds.). <u>The Handbook of Adoption: Implications for Researchers, Practitioners and Families</u>. Sage, CA.

Biafora, F. & M. Biafora. (1999).

"Differences in Depressive Symptoms Between Blacks and Whites: A Test of Differential Exposure and Vulnerability to Stressful Life Events." Javier, R. and W. Herron (Eds.) In Personality Development and Psychotherapy in Our Diverse Society: A Source Book. New York: Jason Aronson Press.

Biafora, F. & R. Zimmerman (1998).

"Developmental Patterns of African American Drug Use." In <u>Drug Use and Ethnicity in Early Adolescence</u>. Howard Kaplan (Ed.). New York: Plenum Press.

### IV. OTHER SCHOLARSHIP & PUBLICATIONS:

Biafora, et al., (2021)

Strengthening Community Through Conversational Leadership: A Case Study of World Café St. Petersburg. Grant Final Report to the Office of the Mayor, City of St. Petersburg.

Quyet, N & F. Biafora (2019)

"Teacher Training and Development in the United States. Vinh University Education Journal: Vinh University Education Journal 2019 Mangione, J., LaRouech, C., & F. Biafora (2000).

"Employment Assessment for the Millennium: A Survey of South-East Queens, New York." Vincentian Chair of Social Justice, Vol. 5.

Biafora, F. (2001).

"Ship of Fools? A Dean's Perspective on the Challenges Aboard the Master of Liberal Arts." Paper in proceedings and in circulation – *Thinking Forward: A Complex Agenda for Graduate Education. The 41st Annual Meeting of the Council of Graduate Schools.* 

Biafora, F. (1994).

"Risk Factors for Delinquency Among Hispanic, African American and Non-Hispanic White Adolescent Boys." Paper in proceedings and in circulation – 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Miami.

Warheit, G., & F. Biafora (1990).

"The Use of the Diagnostic Interview Schedule Among a Homeless Population." <u>The DIS Newsletter</u>, September, 1990.

LanzaKaduce, L., & F. Biafora (1988).

"Rights of Victims of Crime." Printed in <u>Florida State Constitutional Amendments: Civic Information Series, No. 69</u>.

#### PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

"OPEN@USFSP: A Model for Leading Collective Impact in St. Petersburg, Florida." Presented at the Digital Media Tech Leadership Summit, June 5, Tampa, 2019.

"Building and Sustaining a Culture of Assessment on Campus." Co-presented with Jacqueline Macneal, Eckerd College, at the annual meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), Orlando, 2011.

"Why do African Americans Say 'No' to Drugs?: The Influence of Religion on Abstinence." Paper accepted for presentation at the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Los Angeles, CA. November, 2006.

"Enhancing Student Preparedness with Learning Outcomes: Views from Washington, D.C. and the Academy" Paper presented at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Boston, MA. November, 2006

"The Current State of American Higher Education – Strategies for Excellence in Vietnam." Invited keynote speaker by the Ministry of Education and Culture at the Annual Meeting of School Counselors, Hanoi, Vietnam, October, 2006.

"Exposure to Violence Among Miami's Immigrant Latinos: Has the Chicago School Met its Match?" Paper presented at the 57th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Toronto, November, 2005.

"Assessment! Assessment! : Liberal Arts Dean's Role in Balancing Pressures and Realities of Learning Outcomes." Paper presented at the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences, 40th Annual Meeting. Vancouver, November, 2005.

"Exposure to Violence and Victimization Among a Multi-Ethnic Sample in Miami, Florida." Paper presented at the 30th International Congress of Psychology. Buenos Aires, Argentina. June, 2005.

"Stressful Childhood Events and Female Delinquency in an Ethnically Diverse Cohort." Paper presented at the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology. Nashville, November, 2004.

"Highlights From the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual COE Policy Seminar: Take-Home Tools to Enhance the Visibility of Your TRIO Program." Paper presented at the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association for Equity and Excellence in Education, Puerto Rico, May, 2004.

"The Role of Religious Affiliation and Religious Beliefs/Practices on Substance Use Among Young Adults." Paper presented at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Las Vegas, March 2004. Paper also presented as a poster at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Faculty Research Forum, St. John's University, April, 2004.

"Enrollment Management & Planning at Master's Focused Institutions." Paper presented at the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Council of Graduate Schools, Washington, D.C., December, 2002.

"Putting Your Best Foot Forward: Tips for Writing a Winning Grant Proposal." Workshop presented at the Association for Equality and Excellence in Education (AEEE) Annual Conference, Puerto Rico, May, 2002.

"Validity of Juvenile Crime Rates: Findings from Recent Research Efforts." Paper presented at the "Nassau Community College Presents: Prescriptions for Troubled Youth" conference. April, 2002.

"Ship of Fools? – Dean's Discuss the Challenges Aboard the Master of Liberal Arts." Moderator and Presenter of paper at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Council of Graduate Schools, San Diego, December, 2001.

"Just the Facts Ma'am": The Supreme Court Says 'No' to Media Ride-Alongs." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, New Orleans, LA, March 2000.

"Employment Assessment for the Millennium: A Survey of Residents in Jamaica, NY." Presented at the Vincentian Chair of Social Justice Conference – "The Moral Dimensions of Poverty." Jamaica, NY, October, 1999.

"Long-term Residential Drug Treatment: A Struggle to Survive in an Era of Workfare and Managed Care." Paper presented at the 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. San Francisco, CA, August, 1998

"Identifying Risk Factors for Client Attrition: From Research to Practice." Invited Moderator and panelist at the New York State Association of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Providers (NYSAASAP). Saratoga Springs, NY, September, 1998.

"Treating Substance Abusing Veterans in a Long-Term Residential Program." Poster presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Faculty Research Forum, St. John's University, April, 1998.

"A Modified Therapeutic Community for Substance Abusing Veterans." Paper presented at the XIX World Conference of Therapeutic Communities. Cartagena, Colombia, February, 1998.

"Implications of Culturally Sensitive Drug Treatment in a TC." Paper presented at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Criminology. San Diego, CA, November, 1997

"Culturally Enhanced Treatment in a Therapeutic Community." Paper developed and presented at the New York State Association of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Providers. Saratoga Springs, NY, September 28, 1997.

"Bridging Technology and Academe: Suggestions Challenges for Social Scientists." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Meetings, Toronto Canada, August, 97.

"The Role of the Internet in Teaching Sociology: A Practical Approach for Educators." Computer assisted presentation at the 2nd Annual Technology Conference, St. John's University, January, 1996.

"Diverting Drug Offenders to Treatment: Three Years of the New York DTAP Program." Paper presented at the 48th Annual Conference of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, November, 1996.

"Risk Factors for Violent Behaviors Among Ethnically Diverse Urban Adolescents: Beyond Race/ Ethnicity." Paper presented at the 48th Annual Conference of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, November, 1996.

"Developmental Stages of African American Adolescent Substance Use." Paper presented at the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Boston, November, 1995.

"Drug Use Among a Multi-Ethnic Sample of Black Adolescent Boys in Miami: Towards Culturally Specific Drug Interventions." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Boston, November, 1995.

"Risk Factors for Delinquency Among Hispanic, African American, and Non-Hispanic White Adolescent Boys." Paper presented at the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Miami, November, 1994.

"The Relationships Between Stressful Life Events and Substance Abuse Behaviors Among Hispanics, African Americans and White Non-Hispanic Adolescents." Presented at the Eastern Sociological Society Meetings in Baltimore, March, 1994.

"Depressive Symptomatology and Related Dysfunctions Between Blacks and Whites: An Empirical Examination of Current Issues." Invited paper presented at the Fourth Annual conference on Multicultural Perspectives on Mental Illness, St. John's University, May, 1994.

"Cultural Mistrust and Racial Awareness Among an Ethnically Diverse Sample of Black Adolescents." Presented at the American Sociological Association Meetings in Pittsburgh, August, 1992.

"Ethnicity and Medical Care: The Case of Cesarean Delivery." Presented at the meetings of American Public Health Association, November, 1992.

"Racial Mistrust and Deviant Behaviors Among Ethnically Diverse Black Adolescent Boys." Presented at the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology in New Orleans, November, 1992.

"Fear of Crime Among the Elderly: A Social Learning Approach." Paper presented at the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Washington D.C., December, 1988.

# **GRANT EXPERIENCE (Including Submissions/Awards):**

Pending Community Foundation Tampa Bay (Submitted November, 2021)

\$20,000 Growing More Vibrant Communities Through Conversations: A Pilot Project to

Reignite the Power of Neighborhood Associations in St. Petersburg, Florida.

**Project Director** 

Pending USF Internal Partnership Grant (Submitted December, 2021)

\$10,000 USFSP/USF in Tanzania, Africa: Harnessing Renewable Energy & Gaining Trust

Through Science and Sociology

Co-Project Director

Not Funded \$5,000 to the Florida Humanities Council. Community Grant in partnership with

6/21 the Florida Council of Churches entitled "Centering the Human Spirit: Listening

to Senior Citizens and People of Color in the Time of Pandemic."

Not Funded \$20,000 proposal to the Sociological Initiatives Foundation. Community

8/21 Partnership with the Black Health Equity Alliance of St. Petersburg entitled

"Creating a Trusted Index for Identifying and Reversing Structural Inequities in

Communities of Color."

Funded 3/20 City of St. Petersburg

\$25,000 Grow Smarter Together Through World Cafe Conversational Leadership

Training.

Principal Investigator

Funded 6/15 Florida Humanities Council

\$15,000 *College Visions: Innovation and Creativity in the Humanities.* A

Pre-College Residential Experience at USF St. Petersburg.

**Program Director** 

Not Funded Newman's Own Foundation. Adolescent Folk Art & Street Theatre as a Medium

for Community Healing: Lessons from Post-Civil War Sierra Leone, Africa. Requested \$22,000 to support faculty/student travel to Sierra Leone for research

and study abroad, spring 07.

**Project Director** 

Awarded 6/03 U.S. Department of Education, Ronald McNair Postbaccalaureate

\$837,000 *Program at St. John's University.* Four-year renewable grant award.

**Project Director** 

Not funded 2/03 U.S. Department of Education, Funds for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE). *The St. John's University Higher Education Pipeline Project*.

Co-Principal Investigator

Awarded 10/02 \$10,000	U.S. Department of Education, Technology Grant
Awarded 9/01 \$3,415	U.S. Department of Education, Travel Grant
Not funded 2/99	U.S. Department of Education, Funds for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE). The St. John's University & Corporate Partnerships Program: Improving Student Retention and Completion through Academic Support and Leadership Development.  Co-Principal Investigator
Awarded 6/99 \$795,000	U.S. Department of Education, <i>Ronald McNair Postbaccalaureate Program at St. John's University</i> . Submitted, Spring 1998. Four-year renewable grant award. <u>Project Director</u>
Not funded 6/99	United States Office of Population Affairs Division of Adolescent Pregnancy Programs, Elmhurst Hospital Center Local Care Demonstration Project Resources for Pregnant Adolescents  Program Evaluator/Consultant to Elmhurst Hospital, Queens, NY
Awarded 6/98 \$605,000	Center For Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), Targeted Capacity Expansion and Evaluation of Intensive Outpatient Drug Treatment Services in South Jamaica, Queens. Principal Investigator.
10/95 – 1998	Center For Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), <i>Program Enhancements</i> for Minorities in a Long-Term Residential Drug Treatment Program  Project Investigator serving as Director of Research at Samaritan Village,  Inc.
1/97 – 3/98	Ryan White Foundation, Establishing a Treatment Outcome Assessment System for HIV/AIDS Substance Abusers Program Evaluator/Consultant to Outreach Projects, Queens, NY
5/94-7/95	United Hospital Fund (UHF), Flushing Hospital Quality Assurance Grant Research Consultant to Flushing Hospital, Flushing, NY

12/91 - 8/93 National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA), South Florida Youth

Development Project at the University of Miami

Research Assistant

8/90 - 1/91 Center for Disease Control (CDC), Multi-Modal Aids Education Among

Dade County High School Students

Research Assistant

#### **AWARDS AND HONORS:**

Recipient of the President's Certificate of Honor, Recognition and Appreciation for Contributions to the Development of International Cooperation by Dr. Kinh, Kuan Khoa, President of Vinh University, Vietnam, summer 2018.

One of 20 selected to participate in the Council on International Education Exchange (CIEE) Diversity Abroad Future Leaders Summit, 2014.

Selected as Chair of the American Heart Association Annual *Heart Walk* Campaign at USFSP, 2009.

Selected into Leadership St. Pete, Class Of 2008

Recipient of Fulbright Senior Scholar Award in Sociology, by the J. William Fulbright Board, 2006

Recipient of the Outstanding Administrator Award by the President of St. John's, Spring 05

Recognized at the Annual Grants Reception, St. John's University, April, 2004 for receiving Ronald. E. McNair Grant from Department of Education in Collaboration with Dr. Andre McKenzie

Selected to the Geoffrey Marshall Mentoring Award Selection Committee of the Northeast Association of Graduate Schools, Spring, 2004

Recipient of the 2002 St. Vincent DePaul Founder's Week Award

Selected to the Dissertation Award Selection Committee, Council of Graduate Schools, Fall, 2000

Honorary Induction into Sigma Delta Pi, International Spanish Honor Society, Spring, 2000

Recognized at the Annual Grants Reception, St. John's University, April, 2000 for receiving Ronald. E. McNair Grant from Department of Education in collaboration with Dr. Andre McKenzie

St. John's University, Service Learning Grant, Summer, 1999

St. John's University, Faculty Development Grant, Fall, 1996

Selected into Leadership Miami, Class of 1990

Awarded Doctoral Research Fellowship, University of Miami, 1989

# **JOURNAL REVIEWER:**

Past Guest Reviewer for: Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences

Journal of Black Psychology

Journal of Crime, Law and Society

Sociological Quarterly

#### **GRANT REVIEWER:**

Florida Humanities Council Grant Selection Committee Awards (2009)

National Science Foundation, Division of Social and Economic Sciences (1999)