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Professional Preparation

Ph.D. American Studies, Graduate Institute of the Liberal Arts, Emory University, May 2012

M.A. American Studies, Graduate Institute of the Liberal Arts, Emory University, May 2012

M.A. Women's Studies, The Ohio State University, May 2001

B.A. Psychology and Political Science (Minor), Spelman College, May 1997

Dissertation Title:

Precious Opportunities: Black Girl's Stories and Resistance Pedagogies and Critical Race Feminist Responses to the Childhood Obesity Epidemic

Relevant Experience

Director, Westside Communities Alliance, Ivan Allen College of the Liberal Arts, Georgia Institute of Technology, July 2014-Present

Faculty Mentor/Consultant, Social Justice Fellows, Spelman College, July 2016-May 2016

Community Liaison, Westside Communities Alliance, Ivan Allen College of the Liberal Arts, Georgia Institute of Technology, August 2012-June 2014

Steering Committee Member, DC Jobs with Justice, Washington, DC 2002-2005

Grievance and Arbitrations Coordinator, Service Employees International Union District 82, Washington, DC, 2002-2005

Program Assistant, Global Justice Campaign, International Headquarters of the AFL-CIO, Washington, DC, 2001-2002

Summer Internship, Center for Women's Global Leadership, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, 1998

Research Assistant, Masimanyane Women's Support Centre, East London, Republic of South Africa, 1997-1998

Honors/Awards/News Stories

- Leading Women@Tech, Georgia Institute of Technology, 2017
- Regional Leadership Institute, Atlanta Regional Commission, 2016
- "Let's Get Digital: Free Computer Lab Brings Internet Access to Atlanta's Westside," Georgia Public Broadcasting News, Sam Whitehead, National Public Radio, May 2016
- Service Excellence Gold Award, University System of Georgia, October, 2014
- Andrew W. Mellon Graduate Teaching Fellow, Emory University, 2010-2011
- Storycorps: Sheri Davis-Faulkner and Charles Moore, WABE 90.1FM, 2010

- Community Building Social Change Graduate Fellow, Emory University, 2010
- Senior Fellow, Environmental Leadership Program, 2009-Present
- Technology, Pedagogy & Curriculum Fellow, Emory University, August 2009-May 2010

Publications

“The Wait of the Nation,” *The Crunk Feminist Collection*, edited by Brittney C. Cooper, Susana M. Morris, and Robin M. Boylorn, 140-141. New York: Feminist Press, 2017

“Ladders and Cranes,” *Historic Westside News Issue #2*, Atlanta, GA, August 2016

“Camp Carrot Seed: Reflections on a Critical Pedagogic Project” *Hip Hop and Critical Pedagogy Reader*, Ruth Nichole Brown, PhD, Peter Lang Publishing, 2012

Select Teaching Experience

Georgia Institute of Technology:

Adjunct Professor, HTS 2813: Semester-in-the-City, Honors Department, Fall 2013

An interdisciplinary course that examines westside communities that neighbor Georgia Tech’s campus within the context of Atlanta’s contemporary political moment including the development of the new Atlanta Falcon’s Stadium and the Westside BeltLine Trail.

Spelman College:

Adjunct Professor, Sociology 230: Poverty and Social Justice (2012-2015)

An interdisciplinary introductory course on contemporary issues related to poverty and social justice activism in the U.S. This course is designated a service-learning course with a special focus on communities within a 1.7 mile radius of Spelman.

Clark Atlanta University:

Instructor, Women’s Studies 490, Introduction to Women’s Studies (Fall 2010)

An upper-level interdisciplinary undergraduate and graduate seminar providing an introduction to black feminist thought and womanism in contemporary women’s studies.

Emory University:

Instructor, American Studies 201, Introduction to American Studies (Spr 2008; Sum2011)

This course explores topics related to the construction of American identities and American experience from the perspective of women scholars.

Instructor, Interdisciplinary Studies 216, Introduction to Visual Culture (Spring 2009)

This course explores the rise of televisual media in American culture specifically regarding implications for socializing youth, drawing upon media studies, psychology, and anthropology.

Select Affiliations/Professional Associations

- Advisory Board Member, Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority Expansion Campaign, September 2016
- Advisory Board Member, HEALing Community Health Center, Fall 2014-Fall 2017
- Advisory Board Member, West Atlanta Watershed Alliance, Fall 2013-Summer 2017
- Advisory Board Member, Raising Expectations, Fall 2013-2014
- Service-Learning/Community Engagement (SLCE), Georgia Tech, Fall 2013-Fall 2014
- Crunk Feminist Collective, Blogging Member, Fall 2010-2014
- American Historical Association
- Association for the Study of African American Life and History
- National Women's Studies Association
- Southeastern Women's Studies Association
- Cultural Studies Association
- Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association

Select Presentations & Workshops

"Women Workers and the Resistance: Harnessing Outrage and Building Power" Labor Research & Action Network 2017 National Gathering, Howard University, Washington, DC, June 2017.

"Towards Community Stabilization: A Responsive Approach to Inequality in Atlanta's Westside Communities" 5th Atlanta Studies Symposium, Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA, April 2017.

"Westside Communities Alliance Data Dashboard: A Workshop Learning to Develop Comprehensive Data Stories about Atlanta Public Schools, Sources of Urban Educational Excellence Conference, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, October 2016.

"Westside Communities Alliance," Social Justice Fellows Orientation, Spelman College, Atlanta, GA, September 2016.

"Lift All Boats: An argument for progress without displacement," American Historical Association, 140th Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, January 2016.

"Full STEAM Ahead: Reinvigorating Booker T. Washington Cluster Schools and Communities," Workshop, Sources of Urban Educational Excellence Conference, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, May 2015.

"Lift All Boats: A Proposal for Progress without displacement on Atlanta's Westside," 3rd Atlanta Studies Symposia, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, May 2015.

"Connecting Communities to Progress and Prosperity," [*TEDxAtlanta: Bold Moves*](#), First Center, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, April, 2015.

"Precious Opportunities: A Critical Race Feminist Approach to Media," Keynote Address, 7th Annual Gender Conference, University of Houston Downtown, Houston, TX, April, 2014.

"Critical Feminist Media Studies: Decolonizing Screens Through Fiercely Reframing Ourselves," Critical Ethnic Studies, Chicago, IL, August 2013.

"Critical Race Feminist Media Praxis: Methods for Reading Black Girls Bodies Within, Across, and Beyond Health Marketing Frames," 2013 MOCA Women on the Rise! Girls' Summit, Miami, FL, May 2013.

"Rethinking the Frame: Alternative Theoretical, Methodological and Epistemological Tools for Practicing Contemporary Feminist Media Studies," National Women's Studies Association Conference, Atlanta, GA., November 2012.

"Taking the Body Elsewhere": Imagining Feminist Interventions in Mainstream Health Discourse, National Women's Studies Association Conference, Atlanta, GA., November 2011.

"The Biggest Loser": Critical Race Feminism in American Broadcast Media," 4th Annual Critical Race Studies Symposium, UCLA Law School, Los Angeles, CA, March 2010.

Select Invited Guest Panelist

"Urbanism and Gentrification Forum," International Women's Forum, Atlanta, March 2017

["Urban Displacement and Livelihood Insecurity for Working People of Color,"](#) *Atlanta: Still the Black Mecca? Race, Social Inequality, and Urban Displacement in 21st Century Atlanta*, James Weldon Johnson Institute (Emory University), Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, November 2016.

“Westside Atlanta Collaborations for Alleviating Poverty,” Poverty Summit 2016, Society of St. Vincent de Paul Georgia, Riverside EpiCenter, Atlanta, GA, September 2016.

“Equality: Black Women Mapping the City-Atlanta,” Faculty Inaugural Symposium, 10th Presidential Inauguration Ceremony, Spelman College, Atlanta, GA, April 2016.

Campus & Community Engagement

- Preserving Housing Affordability Bus Ride, Emerald Corridor Foundation, Atlanta, GA, January 2017
- Community Stabilization Forum, English Avenue Neighborhood Association & Westside Communities Alliance, Integrity Inc. CDC, Atlanta, GA, October 2016
- “Unnatural Causes: Is Inequality Making Us Sick?” Community Film Viewing & Discussion, Hagar CTM & Westside Communities Alliance, Westside Resource Center, Atlanta, GA, September 2016
- Campus-Community Orientation & Site Visits, Spelman Honor’s Program, The Hammonds House/Lindsay Street Park, Atlanta, GA, September 2016
- Westside Communities Site Visits, “Paths to Social Sustainability: Building a Research, Teaching, and Action Agenda for the Southeast,” Integrated Network for Social Sustainability Conference, Serve Learn Sustain & Westside Communities Alliance, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, July 2016
- WCA Community Development Symposium & Awards Luncheon, Georgia Tech, April 2016
- Westside Education Forum, Westside READY & Westside Communities Alliance, formerly Kennedy Middle School (Atlanta Public Schools), Atlanta, GA January 2016
- Women’s Health and Healing Dinner Theater (Breast Cancer Awareness Month), Susan G. Komen Greater Atlanta & Westside Communities Alliance, Ferst Center, Georgia Institute of Technology, October 2015
- Community-based Computer Lab (Westside Resource Center), Westside Communities Alliance, Hagar CTM, Atlanta, GA, December 2014-Present
- Community Development Studio, Westside Communities Alliance, Hagar CTM, Atlanta, GA, April-July 2014
- Call My Name Quilt Making & Exhibit (National HIV Testing Day), Atlanta Harm Reduction Coalition & The NAMES Project Foundation, Atlanta, GA, April - June 2014

