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EDUCATION

PhD | Sociology | The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan | 1998

Dissertation Title: *Coming to America: Immigration, Stress, and Mental Health*

Pre-doctoral Trainee: NIMH training program in Psychosocial Factors in Mental Health and Mental Illness, directed by James S. House and Ronald C. Kessler | 1994-1996

BA/MA | Rehabilitation Counseling | The University of South Florida, Tampa, FL | 1985

RESEARCH, TEACHING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

2015-Present Professor | Department of Africana, Latin American, Caribbean and Latinx Studies | University at Albany (SUNY)
Professor | School of Social Welfare | University at Albany (SUNY)

2023-Present Director | Undergraduate and Graduate Programs in Africana Studies

2015-2021 Director | Institute for Global Indigeneity | University at Albany (SUNY)

2014-2015 Professor | Department of Sociology and Social Work | Northern Arizona University

2009-2014 Graduate Program Coordinator | Department of Sociology and Social Work | Northern Arizona University

2007- 2014 Associate Professor | Ethnic Studies Program and Department of Sociology and Social Work | Northern Arizona University

2006-2007 Associate Professor | Department of Sociology | Wheaton College

- 2000-2006 Assistant Professor | Department of Sociology | Wheaton College
- 1998-2000 Lecturer | Department of Sociology | The University of Michigan
Assistant Director | Center for Afro American and African Studies, | The University of Michigan
- 1989-1994 Lecturer | Department of Psychology | American River College, Los Rios Community College District

VISITING SCHOLAR

- 2014 Visiting Scholar | IAU | Aix-en-Provence, France (Spring Term)
- 2013 Visiting Professor | University Study Abroad Consortium (USAC) Torino, Italy (Spring Term)
- 2010 Visiting Scholar | Kansai University | Osaka, Japan (Fall Term)
- 2004 Visiting Scholar and Resident Director | University of Wollongong | Wollongong, Australia (Spring Term)

BOOKS

Harris, Michelle, Sherrill Sellers, Orly Clerge, and Frederick Gooding, Jr., (Eds). 2017. *Stories from the Front of the Room: How Faculty of Color Overcome Challenges and Thrive in the Academy*. Rowman and Littlefield.

Harris, Michelle, Martin Nakata, and Bronwyn Carlson, (Eds). 2013. *The Politics of Identity: Emerging Indigeneity*. Sydney University Press and University of Technology Sydney ePress.

PUBLICATIONS: REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

Cestone, Lauren M., Lani V. Jones, **Michelle Harris**, Nelia Quezada, and Nana Roest-Gyimah. 2024. "Black Americans' Social Emotional Responses to Race-related Discriminatory Content on Social Media." *Journal of Ethnic & Cultural Diversity in Social Work*.

Harris, Michelle and Eric Otenyo. 2023. "The Struggle Continues Down South: Dismantling of Colonial Monuments and Symbols ff Colonialism and White

Supremacy." In Bronwyn Carlson and Terrie Farrelly, (Eds.), *Palgrave Handbook on Rethinking Colonial Commemorations*. Switzerland: Springer Nature.

Otenyo, Eric, **Michelle Harris**, and Kelly Askew. 2020. "Where There is no Formal Welfare System for an Indigenous People: Entrepreneurship, Watchmen, and the Reinvention of the Maasai Warrior." In Blanca Ramos, Paul Miesing, & Katherine Briar-Lawson, (Eds.), *Social Entrepreneurship and Enterprises in Economic and Social Development*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Jones, Lani V. and **Michelle Harris**. 2019. "Developing a Black Feminist Analysis for Mental Health Practice: From Theory to Praxis." *Journal of Women and Therapy* 42(3-4):251-64.

Carlson, Bronwyn, Lani V. Jones, **Michelle Harris**, Nelia Quezada, and Ryan Frazer. 2017. "Trauma, Shared Recognition and Indigenous Resistance on Social Media." *Australian Journal of Information Systems* 21:1-19.

Harris, Michelle and Bronwyn Carlson. 2016. "Indigenous Peoples, Popular Pleasures and the Everyday: Introduction." *ALTERNative: An International Journal of Indigenous Peoples* 12(5): 1-5.

Harris, Michelle. 2016. "The Politics of 'Being': Faculty-of-Color Teaching to Social Justice in the College Classroom." In Rosemary Papa, Danielle M. Eadens, & Daniel W. Eadens (Eds.), *Social Justice Instruction: Empowerment on the Chalkboard*. New York: Springer.

Charles, Harvey, **Michelle Harris** and Bronwyn Carlson. 2016. "Negotiating Global and Interdisciplinary Imperatives for Indigenous Education Scholarship and Pedagogy." *Australian Journal of Indigenous Education*, 45(2): 111-118. doi: 10.1017/jjie.2015.31.

Carlson, Bronwyn, Jeff Berglund, **Michelle Harris**, and Evan Te Ahu Poata-Smith. 2014. "Four Scholars Speak to Navigating the Complexities of Naming in Indigenous Studies." *Australian Journal of Indigenous Education* 43(1): 1-15.

Fakko, TT, DR Wilson, JG Linn, N Forcheh, E Nkhukhu, and **MA Harris**. 2014. "Desire to Work in the Organization Forever Among University Employees in Botswana." *Journal of Public Administration and Policy Research* 6(1): 1-7.

Harris, Michelle, Bronwyn Carlson, and Evan Te Ahu Poata-Smith. 2013. "Indigenous Identities and the Politics of Authenticity." In M. Harris, M. Nakata and B. Carlson, (Eds), *The Politics of Identity: Emerging Indigeneity*. Sydney University Press and University of Technology Sydney ePress.

Harris, Michelle. 2013. "Emergent Indigenous Identities: Rejecting the Need for Purity." In M. Harris, M. Nakata and B. Carlson, (Eds), *The Politics of Identity: Emerging Indigeneity*. Sydney University Press and University of Technology Sydney ePress.

Sellers, Sherrill, Colwick Wilson, **Michelle Harris.** 2012. "Methodological considerations in the study of work and occupations: The case of domestic workers in New York City." In J. Jackson, C. Caldwell, and S L. Sellers, (Eds), *Research Methods in Studies of Racial and Ethnic Minority Populations*. Oxford University Press.

Trevino, A. Javier, **Michelle Harris** and Derron Wallace. 2008. "What's So Critical About Critical Race Theory?" *Contemporary Justice Review* 11(1): 7-10.

Sellers, Sherrill, Hiu Ha Florence Chong, and **Michelle Harris.** 2007. "Theorizing Heterogeneity: Social and Economic Well-being of Native Blacks, Afro-Caribbean and African Immigrants in the US." *Research in Race and Ethnic Relations*. Vol 14, JAI Press.

Harris, Michelle and Michael Kahn. 2005. "Parenting, Education and Well-being: The Case of Jamaican Men and Women." *Wadabagei* 8: 34-53.

Harris, Michelle. 2004. "Racial and Ethnic Diversity in Perceptions of Discrimination." *Sociological Imagination* 40: 65-90.

Harris, Michelle. 2003. "Mental Health in Jamaica." *Journal of Caribbean Studies* 17: 139-156.

Williams, David and **Michelle Harris-Reid.** 1999. "Race and Mental Health: Emerging Patterns and Promising Approaches." In Allan V. Horowitz and Teresa L. Scheid (Eds.), *The Sociology of Mental Illness*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

GUEST EDITOR – SPECIAL ISSUES

Bronwyn Carlson and **Michelle Harris.** 2016. Guest Co-editor for the Special Issue: "Indigenous Peoples, Popular Pleasures and the Everyday." *ALTERNative* 12:5.

A. Javier Treviño and **Michelle Harris.** 2008. Guest Co-editor for the Special Issue: "Critical Race Theory: Applications and Interrogations." Contributions by Tony N. Brown, Mary Romero, Lindsay Perez Huber, Corina B. Lopez, Maria C. Malagon, Veronica Velez, Daniel G. Solorzano, Chong-suk Han. *Contemporary Justice Review* 11:1.

TECHNICAL REPORTS, OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Harris, Michelle. 2018. "Immigrant Faculty and Code Switching." *Global Synergies*,6:4.

Harris, Michelle. 2016. "Global Indigeneity." *Global Synergies*, 3:10.

Mahmoudi, Kooros, **Michelle Harris**, and Yvonne Luna. 2010. "Situating Global Learning in the Sociology Major." *NAU Global*, Fall - pp 12-13.

Harris, Michelle. 2009. "Social Justice and Mental Health in a Global Context." *NAU Global*, Fall – pp 6.

Aduroja, Amos, John Wallace, **Michelle Harris-Reid**, and David Williams. 1996. "No Sale to Minors: Youth Tobacco Access in Detroit, Michigan." *Dulum Report*. Detroit, MI: Detroit Urban League.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Clerge, Orly, Michelle Harris, Asia Ivey, and Sherrill Sellers. *The Pipeline is Broken: BIPOC Students on the Racist Entrapments of Graduate School*.

Harris, Michelle, Lani Jones and Kendra Roberson. *The Essential Black Feminist Reader*.

INVITED LECTURES

"Contemporary Indigeneity and the Politics of Being" | Bucknell University, Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity and Gender. Lewisburg, PA | October 2018

"Finding One's Way in the World: Perspectives, Positions, and Purposes" | Opening Plenary for AAC&U's Global Summer Institute, Shared Futures: General Education for a Global Century. Ellicott City, MD | July 2011

"Well-being and Health Among Jamaican Adults" | Kansai University, Osaka, Japan | Nov 2010

"Insights into Teaching about Race and Culture" | Diversity Symposium Series – Northern Arizona University | January 2009

"Psychological Distress in Jamaica" | Wollongong University, New South Wales, Australia | March 2004

"Social Research in the West Indies" | Northern Caribbean University, Mandeville, Jamaica | June 2003

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Top Ten Strategies for Surviving and Thriving in the Academy for Faculty of Color and Their Allies"| Co-presented with Orly Clerge and Sherrill Sellers. Paper presented at the Association of Black Sociologists annual conference | August 9, 2018 | Philadelphia, PA

"Teaching Indigenous Identities in a Global Context" | (Co-authored with Bronwyn Carlson and Jeff Berglund). Paper presented at the Native American and Indigenous Studies annual meetings | June 3-6, 2015 | Washington, DC

"Global and Interdisciplinary Possibilities for Indigenous Education, Scholarship and Pedagogy" | (Co-Authored with Harvey Charles and Bronwyn Carlson). Paper presented at the Hawaii International Conference on Education. January 5-8, 2015 | Honolulu, Hawaii

"Showcasing Aboriginality: 'If you don't look it, you have to act it'" | (Co-authored with Bronwyn Carlson) Paper presented at the International and Interdisciplinary Conference on Culture, Value and Justice. May 21-23, 2014 | Vaasa, Finland

"The Politics of Naming: Navigating the Complexities of Terminology in Global Indigenous Studies" | (Co-authored with Jeff Berglund, Bronwyn Carlson, Evan Te Ahu Poata-Smith, and David Kempers). Paper presented at the Native American and Indigenous Studies annual meetings | May 29-31, 2014 | Austin, TX

"Teaching Feminist and Multicultural Theory" | (Co-presented with Kathleen Ferraro) Paper presented at the Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meetings | August 8-12, 2013 | New York, NY

"Emergent Identities: Indigenous Identities in Contemporary Times" | Paper presented at the Caribbean Studies Association annual meetings | May 30 – June 3, 2011 | Willemsted, Curacao

"Theorizing Indigenous Identities" | Paper presented at the Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meetings | August 18-21, 2011 | Las Vegas, NV

"Emergent Indigenous Identities?" | Paper presented to the Working Group on Emergent Identities | June 28, 2010 | Flagstaff, AZ

"Mental Health of Jamaicans Across the Life Course" |(Co-authored with Michael Khan) Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association | August 13-16, 2005 | Philadelphia, PA

"Parenting and Well-being in Jamaican Men and Women" | (Co-authored with Tom Clarke) Paper presented at the Caribbean Studies Association annual meetings | May 30-June 4, 2005 | Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

"Racial and Ethnic Diversity in Perception of Discrimination" | Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association of Caribbean Studies | July 20-24, 2004 | Paris, France

"Back to the Future: Marx, Weber, Durkheim, and Social Problems Theory" | Paper presented at the 2002 annual meeting of the Society for the Study of social Problems | August 16, 2002 | Chicago, IL

"A Historic Review and Empirical Profile of Caribbean Immigrant Domestic Workers in New York City" | Paper presented at the 2000 annual meeting of the Association of Black Sociologists | August 18, 2001 | Anaheim, CA

"Because I'm a Foreigner: Perceptions of Discrimination Among Immigrant Americans" | Paper presented at the 1999 meeting of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues -- International Conference on Immigrants and Immigration | August 12-15, 1999 | Toronto, Canada

"Coming to America: Immigration, Stress, and Mental Health" | Paper presented at the 1998 annual meeting of the Association of Black Sociologists | August 20, 1998 | San Francisco, CA

"Violence and Health: Findings From the Commonwealth Minority Health Survey" | Paper presented at the 1996 annual meeting of the Association of Black Sociologists | August 15-17, 1996 | New York, NY

ORGANIZER/DISCUSSANT OF PAPER SESSION AT MAJOR CONFERENCES

Discussant. "Issues in Education, Pedagogy and Learning." Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting August 10, 2018 | Philadelphia, PA

Discussant. "Song, Sex, Dance and Rituals: Queer Approaches to Africa and Its Diaspora." Caribbean Philosophical Association annual meeting | June 19, 2018 | Dakar, Senegal

Organizer/Discussant. "Teaching Intersectionality." Society for the Study of Social Problems annual conference | August 2014 | San Francisco, CA

Organizer/Discussant. "Unnatural Causes" and "Tulia, Texas." Society for the Study of Social Problems annual conference | San Francisco, CA | August 2009

Presider/Discussant. "Caribbean Medical Doctors and Their Families: Family Functioning, Gender, Stress, and Parenting." Caribbean Studies Association annual meeting | Kingston, Jamaica | June 2009

RECORD OF TEACHING

University at Albany (Spring 2015- Present)

- AAFS 599 – Inequality and Health – graduate
- AAFS 612 – Race Theory - graduate
- RSSW 705 – Advanced Policy Seminar in Inequality and Health - graduate
- AAWS 430/530 – Environmental Justice: Racism, Sexism, Classism – graduate and undergraduate
- AAFS 432 – The African American Woman: Contemporary Issues – undergraduate
- AAFS 220 – Black and White in America - undergraduate

Northern Arizona University (Fall 2007- 2015)

- SOC 610 – Seminar in the Sociology of Immigration – graduate
- SOC 610 – Seminar Feminist and Multicultural Theories - graduate
- SOC 610 – Seminar in Medical Sociology - graduate
- SOC 616 – Social Psychology - graduate
- SOC 512 – Race, Class and Gender - graduate
- SOC 318 – Medical Sociology - undergraduate
- SOC 320 – Social Psychology - undergraduate
- ES 299 – American Immigration - undergraduate
- ES 391 – Gender, Inequality and Health - undergraduate
- ES 300 – Global Race and Ethnic Relation - undergraduate
- SOC 101 – Introduction to Sociology - undergraduate
- OIS 499 – Crossing Borders: Witnessing Contemporary African-ness (Faculty-led study tour) – undergraduate and graduate

USAC – Torino, Italy (Spring 2013)

- Social Structure and Personality
- Intercultural Communication

Wheaton College (2000 – Spring 2007)

- SOC 101 – Introduction to Sociology
- SOC 272 – Analyzing Social Trends
- SOC 275 – Media and Society
- SOC 402 – Senior Seminar
- SOC 230 – Race and Ethnicity
- SOC 398 – The Black Family

DOCTORAL COMMITTEE MEMBER/EXAMINER

PhD Examiner

Bronwyn Lumby – (2011) *The politics of identity: who counts as Aboriginal today?*
– The University of New South Wales, Sydney, AU | 2010

Dissertation Committee Member

Nelia Quezada – (2022) Socio-emotional well-being, social supports and health behaviors among urban youth – University at Albany (SUNY)

Angela Miller – (2014) *Global Learning For All: One Approach To Infusing Global Perspectives In The Undergraduate Curriculum* — Northern Arizona University | 2014

MASTERS THESES AND INTERNSHIP SUPERVISION OR COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

2021-2022

Comprehensive Exam Committee Member (MA)

Gabriella Simpson – Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

2016-2017

Comprehensive Exam Committee Member (MA)

Deidre Dumpson – Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

2014-2015

Committee Member

Danielle Taylor – “Welcome To The Tea Party: A New Social Movement”

Tia Truss – “Crisis Intervention: An Analysis Of Domestic Violence Victim Services At Kagisano Society Women’s Shelter Project”

2011-2012

Committee Chair

Carlo Epps – “Funding LGBTQ Initiatives on NAU’s Campus”

Thembi Ndeblel – “Enabling people with physical disabilities: An enquiry into service provision expansion at Catholic Charities Community Services”

Committee Member

About Toure – “Slavery in Mauritania”

Lisa Tomczak – “Childfree Or Voluntarily Childless? The Lived Experience Of Women Choosing Non-Motherhood”

Diane Desmond – Parent-To-Parent Mentoring: Potential Pathway To Prevention Of Child Maltreatment”

Alexis Mesko – “Moral Reconciliation Therapy (Mrt) At The Coconino County Adult Probation Department”

2010-2011

Committee Chair

Miranda Gilmore – “The Aging Disabled: Care-Giver's Concerns Regarding Services”

Committee Member

Linda Barker – “Experiential Teaching And Learning: Cultivating The Teacher-Student Discourse”

2009-2010

Committee Chair

Gracie Mukai – “Keeping the FIRE Alive: An Organizational Analysis of Flagstaff International Relief Effort”

Committee Member

Sarah Spring – “Sex Education in Arizona: An Analysis of Curricula”

FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

2016-2017 Provost Fellow | University at Albany (SUNY)

2015 Visiting Fellow | Institute for American Universities, Aix-en-Provence, France.

2013 Visiting Professor | University Study Abroad Consortium, Torino, Italy

2010 Visiting Research Fellow | Kansai University, Osaka, Japan

2006 Faculty Member of the Year | Intercultural Board, Wheaton College.

2004 Visiting Research Fellow. Faculty of the Arts | School of Social Science, Media and Communication | University of Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia.

1998 Rackham School of Graduate Studies Finishing Fellowship | The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

1994-1997 National Institute of Mental Health Pre-Doctoral Fellowship | Institute for Social Research, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2017 - 2021 International Advisory Board Member | Journal of Sociology | Australia
Member | 2018 Conference Planning Committee, Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2016 - Advisory Board Member | Liberty Partnership | Albany, NY
- 2015 -2020 Co-Founder and Co-Managing Editor | *Journal of Global Indigeneity*
- 2014-2015 Member, Elections Committee | Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2010- 2022 Convener | Working Group on Emergent Indigenous Identities | http://www.albany.edu/indigeneity/working_group.shtml
- 2010-2011 Chair, Minority Scholarship Committee, Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2009-2010 Chair-Elect | Minority Scholarship Committee, Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2008 Member | 2009 Conference Planning Committee, Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2002-2009 Editorial Board Member | *Contemporary Justice Review*.

Editorial Reviewer and Board Member:

Caribbean Studies Journal
The Sociological Quarterly
Prentice Hall Publishing
Contemporary Justice Review
Journal of Diversity in Higher Education
Worth Publishers

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University at Albany:

- Spring 2024 Member | College of Arts and Sciences Comprehensive Review Committee

2022- Present Faculty Advisor | National Black Law Students Association, UAlbany Pre-Law Chapter
 2021- Present Faculty Advisor | UAlbany Chapter or NAACP
 2019 -Present CAS Diversity/Climate Committee
 2017- Present CAS Faculty Council
 CAS Public Engagement Advisory Committee
 2016-2017 Provost's Fellow on Faculty Diversity
 2017 Review Committee Member | Carson-Carr Graduate Diversity Scholar Award
 2016 Search Committee Member | ODI Assistant Director Position

Northern Arizona University:

2014-2015 Tenure and Promotion Committee member | College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
 2014 Search Committee Chair | Instructor Position, Department of Sociology and Social Work
 2009-2014 University Graduate Committee member
 2011 Guest Lecturer | ES 600: Approaches to Ethnic Studies
 2007-2011 Steering Committee member and advisor | Ethnic Studies Program
 2010 Internal Faculty Consultant | Theatre Department Program Review
 2008-2010 Annual Review Committee member | College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
 2008-2009 Advisory Committee member | Global Studies Program
 2008 Organizing Committee member | Black History Month
 2008 Panelist and Moderator | "New Approaches to Ethnic Studies" Faculty Development Series
 2008-2010 Tenure and Promotion Committee member, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Wheaton College:

2005-2007 Member | College Advisory Committee
 Spring 2004 Wheaton College Resident Director | Wollongong, NSW, Australia
 2002-2003 Member | Benefits Review Committee
 2001-2003 Member | College Advisory Committee

The University of Michigan:

1999-2000 Member, Executive Committee, Center for Afro-American and African Studies

Professional Memberships

Forum on Indigenous Research Excellence

Society for the Study of Social Problems
American Sociological Association
Association of Black Sociologists
Native American and Indigenous Studies Association