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Education

Masters of Science in Sociology, North Carolina State University (2016-present)

Bachelor of Science in Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology, North Carolina State University (2011)

Relevant Coursework

Contemporary Sociological Theory (Graduate)

Sociological Research Methods

Social Deviance

Statistics

Psychology in the African American Experience

Teaching and Research Interests

Racial Inequality

Black Masculinity

Race, Gender, and Class

Social Problems

Invited Presentations and Panels

Guest Lecturer. *Man Up: Redefining Black Masculinity.* University of Southern California. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Los Angeles, CA. (2016)

Guest Lecturer. *Man Up: Redefining Black Masculinity.* Black Student Alliance. American University. Washington, D.C. (2016)

Presenter. *Development of Comprehensive Neighborhood Housing Assessment Surveys for Greensboro.* Carolyn & Thomas Undergraduate Research Expo. University of North Carolina-Greensboro. Greensboro, NC (2016)

Keynote Speaker. *Redefining Black Power.* Black History Banquet. Center for Multicultural Affairs. Bridgewater State University. Bridgewater, MA (2016)

Panelist. *The Myth of Radicalism.* 2015 Blacktivism Conference. Syracuse NAACP Student Chapter. Syracuse University. Syracuse, NY (2015)

Guest Lecturer. *Music and Politics.* UNCG Emeritus Course (Dr. Sarah Daynes). University of North Carolina-Greensboro. Greensboro, NC (2015)

Guest Lecturer. *“Fight Back: Unpacking Black Masculinity and Militant Resistance in the Black Liberation Movement.”* Legion of Black Collegians. University of Missouri. Columbia, MO (2015)

Guest Lecturer. *“Black Collegiate Manhood”* Mizzou Black Men’s Initiative (MBMI) University of Missouri. Columbia, MO (2015)

Keynote Speaker. *“Where Do We Go From Here? Activism in the 21st Century.”* Unity Banquet. Black Student Union. Washington State University. Pullman, WA. (2015)

Workshop Facilitator. *“Critical Issues in the Black Community: Race and Social Justice”* Center for African American Students Conference. University of Texas - Arlington. Arlington, TX. (2015)

Keynote Speaker. *“Why Culture Is Important”* Salvation Army Boys And Girls Club Cultural Celebration. Greensboro, NC. (2015)

Guest Lecturer. *“How To Be An Advocate”* ECD 524: Career Development and Counseling (Dr. Marc Grimmett) NC State University. Raleigh, NC. (2014)

Panelist. *“The State of Black Leadership”* UMD-College Park NAACP Student Chapter. University of Maryland - College Park. College Park, MD. (2014)

Panelist. *“RAW: The Intersectionality of Sex, News, and Politics”* Bowie State University. Bowie, MD. (2014)

Panelist. *“The Motherland and Her Children: Africans vs. African-Americans.”* African Student Organization. American University. Washington D.C. (2014)

Guest Lecturer. *“Between Privilege and Peril: A Journey Through Black Masculinity”* SIASA. University of North Carolina - Greensboro. Greensboro, NC(2014)

Guest Reader. *“I Am Troy Davis: Book Discussion”* Elon University. Elon, NC (2014)

Speaker/Organizer. *“National Moment of Silence 2014 - Durham”* Durham, NC (2014)

Keynote Speaker. *“Apex Awards”* Knightdale High School. Knightdale, NC. (2013)

Guest Lecturer. *“Where Is The Love? Exploring Black masculinity and sexism”* Black Women Empowered. Miami University. Oxford, OH. (2013)

Guest Speaker. “40 Acres & A Mule: Spike Lee Film Series.” Liberty Arts & The Durham Art Guild. Durham, NC (2013)

Keynote Speaker. “NAACP 104th Anniversary Banquet” St. John’s University. New York City, NY. (2013)

Keynote Speaker. “Apex Awards” Knightdale High School. Knightdale, NC. (2012)

Research Internships

Research Team Leader- *Center for Community and Housing Studies, University of North Carolina - Greensboro* - Responsible for organizing volunteer data collections teams to support community assessment projects, constructing literature reviews, and presenting research to various stakeholders in the public, private, and academic spheres. Greensboro, NC. (2015 - Present)

Summer Intern - *Missouri Department of Conservation, Resource Science Division* - Gained experience in the operations of the department and divisions by working directly with professional research biologists on projects concerning the management of fish and wildlife in the state of Missouri. A final report was conducted and presented at the conclusion of the internship. Columbia, MO. (Summer 2009)

Academic Year Research Experience (ARE) Intern - *North Carolina State Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (NC State NGEP)* - Conducted research 20 hours per week under the guidance of Dr. Derek Aday and Dr. Jim Rice on their Food-web dynamics study. Participation in the Undergraduate Research Symposium and OPT-ED Alliance Day were requirements of the internship. NC State University. Raleigh, NC. (2008-2009 Academic Year)

Published Writings

“*Did We Get What We Paid For? Examining the Civil Rights Movement*” Young Black Experience Magazine. Issue 5. (2014)

“*Yes We Can, But We Haven’t Yet*” Young Black Experience Magazine. Issue 4. (2013)

“*All Love Is Beautiful*” The Nubian Message. Vol 13. Issue 16. (2013)

“*Yes We Can, But We Haven’t Yet*” The Nubian Message. Vol 13. Issue 13. (2013)

“*The Miseducation System*” Young Black Experience Magazine. Issue 3. (2013)

“*The Right To Be Human*” TheBlackManCan.org (2012)

Community Involvement

Co-founder - *doinDURM, LLC*. - community arts organization dedicated to creating, promoting, and highlighting free and low-cost cultural events in the city of Durham, NC. (2013 to present)

Vice President - *The Kinston Movement* - organization of concerned citizens of Kinston, NC actively working to improve the social, economic, and political conditions of resident of Kinston. (2013-2014)

Self-Published Work

Creator - *SankofaBrown.com* - blog created for personal expression through informative articles centered around personal observations, social justice, and current events. The site has over 150K views and has been viewed in 100+ countries. (2012 - Present)

Teaching Experience

Program Aide - *The Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club* - responsible for serving as a counselor in the afterschool and summer camp programs. The club's vision is empowering youth to succeed in life through innovative programming, boundless experiences, and meaningful relationships. All programs revolve around three priorities: academic success, character development, and healthy lifestyles. Greensboro, NC (2015 - Present)

Site Leader - *MasterMind Prep* - Managed operations of an after school language arts tutoring program at Torchlight Academy. Oversaw the progress of 32 students in the program, and managed six certified tutors. Raleigh, NC (2011)

Counselor - *The Salvation Army Community Center* - Counseled youth in afterschool and summer camp programs which delivered academic, athletic, and personal development activities for youth ages 5-13. Raleigh, NC (2009-2011)

Teaching Assistant - *Kinston Charter Academy* - Assisted teachers in summer enrichment program for low-achieving students according to their performance on end of course tests. Assistants were responsible for instructing on test taking tips, administering practice exams, and reviewing topics and concepts in the end of course testing curriculum. Kinston, NC (Summer 2008)

Teaching Assistant - *Summer College in Biotechnology and Life Sciences (SCIBLS)* - Assisted college-bound high school students in an academic summer enrichment program where student earned college credit by working directly with undergraduate, graduate, and postdoctoral scientists on projects. NC State University Raleigh, NC. (Summer 2007)

Professional Work Experience

Document Review Specialist - *bioMerieux* - Ensured Quality Assurance of the BacT/Alert bottles (medical device) by reviewing batch record information, training manufacturing staff, and investigated nonconformances in accordance to FDA regulations. Durham, NC (2014 - 2015)

System Support Technician - *Merck Sharp & Dohme Corporation* - Performed operation's batch record review of electronic batch records supporting the GMP manufacturing process in accordance to FDA regulations. Durham, NC (2012 - 2014)

Wildlife Biologist - *Trutech, Inc.* - Provided nuisance wildlife and pest control in accordance to company policies, guidelines, directives, and standards. Ft. Lauderdale, FL (2011-2012)

Professional Organizations and Activities

Member - *Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society* (2016 - present)

Member - *Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.* (2006-present)

Student Subunit Undergraduate President - *American Fisheries Society* (2009)

Member - *Minorities in Agricultural, Natural Resources, and Related Sciences* (2008)

Vice President - *NC State University National Pan-Hellenic Council* (2007)

Political Action Chair - *NC State University NAACP Student Chapter* (2007)