

Curriculum Vitae
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InkWell Academic Writing Retreats
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EDUCATION

2001	PhD	Northwestern University
1992	B.A.	Hampton University

AREAS OF INTEREST

- African American Racial Identity
- Race & Neighborhood Politics
- Audio Ethnography & Documentary
- Urban Ethnography
- Faculty Development
- Writing Practice & Process

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2015 – present **Founder & Writing Coach**
[InkWell Academic Writing Retreats](http://www.inkwellretreats.org)
- 2008 – 2016 **Associate Professor**
Departments of African American Studies & Political Science, UIC
- 2009 – 2014 **Associate Director**, Campus Programs & Community Partnerships
Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy (UIC)
- 2008 – 2009 **Acting Assistant Dean**, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, UIC
- Spring 2008 **Faculty Fellow**
Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy, UIC
- 2003 – 2004 **Faculty Fellow**
Institute for the Humanities, UIC
- 2002 – 2008 **Assistant Professor**
Departments of African American Studies & Political Science, UIC

HONORS & AWARDS

Publication Awards

- 2009 Winner, Best Book Award
American Political Science Association Race, Ethnicity and Politics Section
- 2008 Finalist, Mexico New Book Award
- 2006 Finalist, President's Book Award, Social Science History Association
- 2004 Winner, Rodney Higgins Paper Award
National Conference of Black Political Scientists
- 1999 Winner, Best Paper Award
Urban Affairs Association

Research Fellowships

- Spring 2008 Faculty Fellowship, Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy, UIC
- 2003-2004 Faculty Fellowship, Institute for the Humanities, UIC
- 1996-2000 Doctoral Fellowship, Illinois Consortium for Educational Opportunity Program
- 1995-1996 Doctoral Fellowship, Women's Studies Department, Northwestern University
- 1992-1995 Predoctoral Fellowship, National Science Foundation

Research & Travel Grants

- 2007, 2005 Research/Travel Grant, School of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Junior Faculty Research Support/Travel Fund, University of Illinois, Chicago
- 2004 Research Grant, Office of Social Science Research, University of Illinois, Chicago: "Day Labor Advocacy in Chicago's Neighborhoods"
- 2004 Research Grant, Chicago Field Museum, Center for Cultural Understanding and Change, Urban Research & Curriculum Transformation Institute
- 1998 Travel Grant, Consortium for Institutional Cooperation

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- Under Contract *Becoming the Writer You Already Are: An Academic's Guide to Discovering Your Writing Process*
- 2008 *Jim Crow Nostalgia: Reconstructing Race in Bronzeville*. Minneapolis, MN: University of Minnesota Press.
- Winner, 2009 Best Book Award, American Political Science Association, Race, Ethnicity, and Politics Section*
- Finalist, 2006 President's Book Award, Social Science History Association*
- Reviewed in:
- Science & Society*
- Journal of American Ethnic History* 30:2 (Winter 2011): 110.
- American Studies* 49:3 (Fall/winter 2008): 296-297.

Articles & Chapters

- 2014 "[Good Tape: Methodological Lessons from Working with Audio.](#)" *PUBLIC: A Journal of Imagining America* 2(1).
- 2012 "How We Write: Understanding Scholarly Writing Through Metaphor." *PS: Political Science & Politics* 45 (4).
- Reprinted in [Navigating the Profession: Sage Advice from the Pages of PS: Political Science](#). Virtual Issue 1, 2016.
- 2008 "Defensive Development: The Role of Racial Politics in Gentrification." *Urban Affairs Review*. 43 (6), 751-776.
- 2008 "Integration and the Collapse of Black Social Capital: Nostalgia and Narrative in the Neoliberal City" in Jane Collins, Micaela Di Leonardo and Brett Williams, eds., *The New Landscapes of Inequality: The Erosion of Citizenship in a Neoliberal Era*. Santa Fe, New Mexico: School of Advanced Research Press.
- Finalist, 2008 New Mexico Book Award*
- 2005 "The Downside of Racial Uplift: The Meaning of Gentrification in an African American Neighborhood." *City & Society* 17 (2), 265-288. Reprinted in *Sociology, Exploring the Architecture of Everyday Life Readings*, Eighth Edition, David M. Newman and Jodi A. O'Brien, eds. (Thousand Oaks, CA: Pine Forge Press, Forthcoming).
- Winner, 2004 Rodney Higgins Faculty Paper Award, National Conference of Black Political Scientists*
- 2000 "Reconstructing Bronzeville: Racial Nostalgia and Neighborhood Redevelopment." *Journal of Urban Affairs* 22 (2): 107-122.
- Winner, 1999 Best Paper Award, Urban Affairs Association*

PUBLICATIONS (continued)

Audio & Multimedia

- In Post-Production *Fly Away Home: Hurricane Katrina & Environmental Displacement*, a 6-minute audio documentary.
- In Post-Production *Meet the Budget Cuts*, with Liz Thomson (photographer). A multimedia audio documentary, available at www.MeetTheBudgetCuts.weebly.com.
- 2016 *She Flew Para Abajo*. A digital story on Just Cause evictions. Coproduced with Ryan White, Laura Hadden, and narrators Adriana and Emily Larraga. In collaboration with the Groundswell Oregon Collective and the [Community Alliance of Tenants](#). September.
- 2016 *Como un mapa en mi piel*. An audio collage. In collaboration with the Amamantar y Migrar Oral History Project. On exhibit at:
- “Amamantar y Migrar: Month of Art & Action,” May 11 – June 10, 2016, Latino Network, Portland, OR.
- “Black Box 3.0,” October 1, 2016, King Street Station, Seattle, WA.
- 2015 *Manny y Mirella*. One of three digital stories on the impact of collaborations between Portland police and Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Coproduced with Sofie Sherburt and narrators Manny y Mirella Pérez. In collaboration with the Groundswell Oregon Collective and the [Portland Immigrant Rights Coalition](#).
- 2014 “Reconstructions.” With Erica Meiners. [Lux/Lumina](#). Vol 8.
- 2012 “Cut/Back (From Meet the Budget Cuts)” [The 51%. Episode #1219](#). WAMC. Nov 22.
- 2012 *I don't recall*, with Erica Meiners (coproducer). A three-part audio collage. On exhibit at:
- “Opening the Black Box: The Charge is Torture,” October 4 – December 21, 2012, Sullivan Galleries, School of the Art Institute of Chicago.
- Temple Contemporary, Temple University

Reviews

- 2014 “The Power of Healing.” Review of “The Hospital Always Wins,” produced by Laura Starecheski, [RadioDoc Review](#) 1(1).

Narrative Nonfiction

Under Review *Backpack*

PRESENTATIONS

Academic Writing Retreats

2015-present InkWell Academic Writing Retreats, May, June, August

2012 - 2015 *WriteOut! Dissertation Writing Retreats*, Institute for Research on Race & Public Policy, UIC, January, May, August

Invited Presentations & Workshops

- 2016 Guest Mentor, Dissertation Success Program, National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity, www.facultydiversity.org, February 25
- 2016 “Collect, Listen, Amplify: A Workshop on Imagining Uses for Oral History” University of Illinois, Chicago, IL, March 4.
- 2015 “PHinally Done. Top Tips for Dissertation Writers.” National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity Guest Mentor Workshop, www.facultydiversity.org, October 8.
- 2015 “Advancing the Retreat: How to Maintain Your Momentum When the Retreat is Done.” [Latin American Cities Working Group ‘Writing for Publication’ Retreat](#), Rio Piedras, San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 3.
- 2015 “The Power of Pause: How to Design an Effective Summer Writing Retreat.” National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity Guest Expert Workshop, www.facultydiversity.org, May 27.
- 2015 “Writing as Metaphor: Discovering a Writing Process that Works for You.” National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity Guest Expert Workshop, www.facultydiversity.org, March 12.
- 2014 Writing Coach, “WriteOut! Dissertation Writing Retreat,” Institute for Research on Race & Public Policy, UIC. January, May, August.
- 2014 “How to Make a Writing Plan,” Institute for Research on Race & Public Policy, UIC, January 22 and September 11.
- 2013 “The Curse of Magical Thinking: Freeing Yourself from Unrealistic Writing Goals,” Graduate Student Professional Socialization Series, Department of Sociology, UIC, October 30.
- 2012 “Meet the Budget Cuts” Presentation and discussion, *Applied Words Series | Writing as Social Activism*. Guild Literary Complex, Chicago, IL, March 28.

PRESENTATIONS (continued)

Invited Presentations & Workshops (continued)

- 2012 “Engaging and Troubling Narratives of African American Migration” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Vancouver, BC, April 13-17.
- 2009 “How to Get Your Work Done: Writing Groups for the Dissertation & Beyond,” UIC College of Education December 1.
- 2008 “Adolph Reed, Jr. and the Problem of Authenticity in Black Politics.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Chicago, IL, March 19-22.
- 2007 “Defensive Development: The Role of Racial Politics in Gentrification.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Chicago, IL, November 15-18.
- 2007 “The Roots of Black Gentrification.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora, St. Michael Barbados, October 9-12, 2007.
- 2006 “The Rise and Fall of Bronzeville: Jim Crow Nostalgia and Neighborhood Development in the Neo-Liberal State.” Advanced Seminar, School of American Research, Santa Fe, New Mexico, March 12-16, 2006.
- 2004 “Coercive Spaces: Structure and Agency in Regulated Urban Environments.” University of Illinois, Chicago Liberal Arts and Sciences Faculty Seminar Series *Beyond Structure and Agency*, November 8, 2004.
- 2004 “Race, Recollection & Revitalization: Neighborhood Development on Chicago’s South Side.” Urban History Seminar, Chicago Historical Society, October 20.
- 2004 “Uplifting the Race” Institute for the Humanities, University of Illinois, Chicago, February 9.

Professional Meetings

- 2015 “Sound Proof: Making Arguments in Audio” Paper delivered at the Annual Meeting of the International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, Urbana, IL, May 20-23.
- 2007 “Gentrification and Nostalgia: Managing Class Tensions in African American Neighborhoods.” Paper presented at the “Dilemmas of Blackness” Annual Faculty Workshop, African American Studies Department, University of Illinois at Chicago, June 7-9.
- 2004 “Racial Nostalgia and Black Gentrification.” Paper delivered at the Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Chicago, IL, November 19-21.

PRESENTATIONS (continued)

Professional Meetings (continued)

- 2004 "Who's Zoomin' Who?": African Americans & Gentrification." Paper delivered at the Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, Washington, D.C., March 31-April 3.
- 2004 "Black Gentrification: Revitalization as Racial Uplift." Paper delivered at the Annual Meeting of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Chicago, IL, March 24-28.
- 2003 "From Negro Removal to Racial Revitalization: Blacks and the New Gentrification." Paper delivered at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, IL, November 19-23.
- 1999 "*Restoring Bronzeville*: Racial Group Identity and the Reconstruction of Place." Paper delivered at the Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, Louisville, Kentucky, April 14-17.
- 1999 "*Restoring Bronzeville*: Racial Group Identity and the Construction of Political Meaning." Paper delivered at the Annual Meeting of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March 13-15.
- 1998 "'In the Eye of the Beholder': Group Identity and the Construction of Political Meaning." Paper Delivered at the Annual Meeting of the Illinois Political Science Association, November 14.

Organizer/Discussant/Moderator

- 2015 Co-Facilitator, "Oral History in Movements Against Policy Brutality", Groundswell Video Chat, Portland, OR, March 5.
- 2014 Moderator, "Power!" *Eyes on the Prize* Community Dialogue, Social Justice Initiative, UIC, Chicago, IL, March 31.
- 2007 Co-Organizer, "Dilemmas of Blackness" Annual Faculty Workshop, African American Studies Department, UIC, June 7-9.
- 2005 "Race, Family & Community." Remarks delivered at the Annual Meeting of the Chicago Ethnography Conference, Chicago, IL February 26.

TEACHING

Introduction to Black Politics
Contemporary Black Politics
Race & the Politics of Neighborhood Development
Race & Urban Life: A People's Guide to Chicago
Racial Identity & Political Consciousness
Ethnographic Field Methods
Introduction to Women's Studies

SERVICE

Referee

- *City & Community*
- *City & Society*
- *Environment and Planning*
- *Journal of Urban Affairs*
- National Science Foundation
- *RadioDoc Review*
- *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black*
- *Politics, Culture and Society*
- *Urban Affairs Review*
- *Urban Geography*

Disciplinary Service

- Member, *RadioDoc Review* Editorial Board, 2013 - present
- Chair, Emerging Scholar Award Committee, Urban Affairs Association, 2007-2008
- Member, UIC Urban Forum Operations Committee, 2014
- Member, *Souls: Journal*, Editorial Working Group, 2012-2015
- Member, *Urban Affairs Review* Editorial Board, 2011-2014
- Member, Emerging Scholar Award Committee, Urban Affairs Association, 2006-2007
- Member, Best Urban Politics Dissertation Award Committee, American Political Science Association, 2004-2005
- Member, Planning Committee, National Conference of Black Political Scientists, 2003-2004

University Service

- Chair, Faculty Writing Group, Under-Represented Faculty Mentoring Program, UIC, 2007-2008
- Faculty Partner (Invited), Campus Housing Faculty Program, UIC, 2013 - 2015
- Discussion Leader, Diversifying Faculty in Illinois Research Forum, April 12, 2012.
- Member, Graduate Writing Subcommittee, UIC Senate Committee, 2014-2015
- Member, Exhibit Committee, Jane Addams Hull-House Museum, 2013-2015
- Member, American Migrations Advisory Board Research, UIC, 2013-2015
- Member, Sustainability Strategic Thinking Process Meeting, UIC, 2013-2014
- Member, Chancellor's Award Selection Committee, Graduate College, UIC, 2012-2014
- Member, Strategic Planning Committee, College of Urban Policy & Public Affairs, UIC, 2012-2013
- Member, Civic Engagement Research Fund Review Committee, Institute for Policy & Civic Engagement, UIC, 2011-2012
- Member, Diversity Strategic Thinking and Planning Committee, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, UIC, 2010-2012
- Member, CUPPA-CBA Merger Committee, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, UIC, 2011-2012
- Member, Network of Diversity Related Units, UIC, 2011-2012
- Member, Director Search Committee, Institute for the Humanities, UIC, 2011-2012
- Member, Liberal Arts & Sciences Undergraduate Research Initiative Selection Committee, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, UIC, 2010-2011
- Member, Undergraduate Funding Committee, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, UIC, 2010-2012
- Member, Student Research Forum Planning Committee, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research, UIC, 2008-2009
- Member, General Education Assessment Pilot Program, Office of Programs and Academic Assessment, UIC, 2007-2008
- Member, Department Head Search Committee, African American Studies, UIC, 2005-2006

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Departmental Service

Chair, Programming Committee, African American Studies Department, UIC, 2012-2014
Chair, Faculty Writing Group, Under-Represented Faculty Mentoring Program, UIC, 2007-2008
Co-Chair, Faculty Mentoring Committee, African American Studies Department, UIC, 2011-2013
Member, General Education Assessment Pilot Program, Office of Programs and Academic Assessment, UIC, 2007-2008
Member, Search Committee, African American Studies Department Head, UIC, 2005-2006
Member, Search Committee, Office of Social Science Research, UIC, 2005-2006
Member, Teaching and Learning Committee, African American Studies, UIC, 2013-2014, 2007-2008
Member, Programming Committee, African American Studies Department, UIC, 2007-2008
Member, Quorum Committee, African American Studies Department, UIC, 2012-2013, 2002-2003
Member, Human Subjects Review and Compliance Committee, African American Studies Department, UIC, 2010-2011, 2003-2005,
Member, Senior Social Scientist Search Committee, African American Studies Department, UIC, 2009-2011
Member, Advisory Committee, African American Studies Department, UIC, 2009-2010, 2007-2008
Member, Search Committee, African American Studies Department, UIC, 2007-2008
Member, Engaged Scholarship Subcommittee, African American Studies Department, 2007-2008
Member, Assistant Director Search Committee, Department of African American Studies, UIC, 2007-2008

Community Service

Member, Oregon Groundswell Collective, 2015-present
Intake and Triage Volunteer, Community Health, Chicago, IL, 2008-2009
Language Tutor, Erie Neighborhood House, Chicago, IL, 2007
Consultant, Whitney Young High Teacher's Grant, Chicago, IL, 2004-2005
Member, Board of Directors, The Employment Project, Chicago, IL, 2003-2004
Advocate & Researcher, Rape Victim Advocates, Chicago, IL, 2003-2004
Spanish Translator, Helping Hands Health Clinic, Chicago, IL, 2003-2004