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EDUCATION

Ph.D. History Binghamton University-SUNY
M.A. History Northwestern University
B.A. English University of Maryland, [UMES]

RESEARCH INTERESTS 19th to Early 20th C Southern Black Women & Girlhood, Southern Black Family & Childrearing Culture; Comparative Black & White Southern Women; Jim Crow Segregation; Native American & Black Communities; Southern Biographic Histories; Black South Carolina

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS:

Writing Stage: *An Introduction to African American History (In Progress)* (e-book)
Collecting Data: *"My Mammy and Daddy B'long To: From Slavery to Jim Crow Segregation in Mid-SC"* (book)
Researching Funds: *"Black GRITS Motherhood & Mothering: Rearing Southern Black Girls, Ladies, & Heifers"* (book)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Ahead of Her Time In Yesteryear: Geraldine Pierce Zimmerman Comes of Age In A Southern African American Family. (Knoxville, TN: University Tennessee Press, 2010) <http://www.isbnplus.com/9781572337206>

Parlor Ladies and Ebony Drudges: African American Women, Class, and Work In A South Carolina Community. (Knoxville, TN: University of Tennessee Press, 1999) <http://utpress.org/title/parlor-ladies-and-ebony-drudges/>

Ghosts And Memories: White and Black Southern Women's Lives and Writings. Volume 2, Co-Editor Christina Bieber Lake. (Columbia, SC: University of South Carolina Press, 2011)
http://www.barnesandnoble.com/s/%22Kibibi%20Mack-Shelton%22?Ntk=P_key_Contributor_List&Ns=P_Sales_Rank&Ntx=mode+matchall

Edited and Co-Edited Books, Series

Great Events From History: African American History, Co-Editor (Pasadena, CA: Salem Press, February 2018)
https://www.amazon.com/Great-Events-History-African-American/dp/1682171523/ref=sr_1_2?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1494543915&sr=1-2&keywords=great+events+from+history+african+american+history

Racial & Ethnic Relations In America, Editor, 3 Volumes. (Pasadena, CA: Salem Press, May 2017)
https://www.amazon.com/Racial-Ethnic-Relations-America-Second/dp/1682173151/ref=sr_1_fkmr0_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1494544213&sr=1-1-fkmr0&keywords=race+and+ethnic+relations+kibibi+v+mack-shelton

Racial And Ethnic Relations In America. Editor, 3 Volumes. (Pasadena, CA: Salem Press, 1999)
https://web.archive.org/web/20110715234222/http://salempress.com/store/samples/racial_and_ethnic_relations/racial_and_ethnic_relations.htm

The African American Encyclopedia. Supplement. Editor, 2 Volumes. (Tarrytown, NY: Marshall Cavendish, 1997)
https://www.abebooks.com/servlet/BookDetailsPL?bi=781501612&cm_sp=collections--5FL5BX0bnHZzMU9K3bD4FH_item_1_16_-bdp

Book Chapter

"Introduction" in *Ghosts and Memories: White and Black Southern Women's Lives and Writings, Vol 2* (Columbia, SC: University of South Carolina, 2011) http://www.barnesandnoble.com/s/%22Kibibi%20Mack-Shelton%22?Ntk=P_key_Contributor_List&Ns=P_Sales_Rank&Ntx=mode+matchall

History Books for Youth: Non-Refereed

African Heritage Library Series: The Mossi. (New York, NY: Rosen Publishing Group, 1996)
African American Life Series: Food and History. (Davis, CA: Rourke Press, Inc, 1995)
African American Life Series: People of Faith. (Davis, CA: Rourke Press Inc., 1995)
Pioneers Series: Malcolm X. (Davis, CA: Rourke Press Inc., 1994)

Articles: Refereed

"The Elite African American Women of Orangeburg, South Carolina: Class, Work, and Disunity" in Janet L. Coryell et.al. *Negotiating Boundaries of Southern Womanhood: Dealing With The Powers That Be.* (St. Louis, MS: University of Missouri Press, 2000: 158-173)
"Malcolm X and the Woman Question: A Metamorphosis of Ideas and Attitudes." *ABAFASI: The Simmons College Review of Women of African Descent.* Spring 1991: 9, 12-13

Articles: Non-Refereed [Available Upon Request]

28 Entries in *The African American Encyclopedia.* (Tarrytown, NY: Marshall Cavendish Publisher, 1993)

Book Reviews

In Press: *Journal of African American History Beyond Slavery's Shadow: Free People of Color in the South* (North Carolina, 2021)
The New England Quarterly (96:1), March 2023: *Beyond the Boundaries of Childhood: Antebellum Children in the Antebellum North* by Crystal Lynn Webster (North Carolina, 2021)
Journal of Southern History (79:2), May 2013: *Enduring Legacy: Rhetoric and Ritual of the Lost Cause* by W. Stuart Towns (Alabama, 2012)
Journal of Southern History (73:1), February 2007: *Creating Black Americans: African American History and Its Meanings, 1619 To the Present* by Nell Irvin Painter (Oxford, 2005)
Journal of The Early Republic (25:2), Summer 2005: *Chains of Love: Slave Couples Antebellum South Carolina* by Emily West (Illinois, 2004)
Journal of Social History, Summer 1994: 837-839: *Ambiguous Lives: Free Women of Color In Rural Georgia, 1789 -1879* by Adele L Alexander (Arkansas, 1991)
Magill Literary Annual, 1992: *Black Ice* by Lorene Cary (Alfred A. Knopf, 1991)
Magill Literary Annual, 1992: *The Strange Death of Mistress Coffin* by Robert J. Begiebing (Algonquin Books, 1991)

Googled Search Googled Scholarship Search

Google Scholar https://scholar.google.com/citations?view_op=list_works&hl=en&user=8_NFBD4AAAAJ

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCES

Administrative Positions

Coordinator of Africana Studies Minor in History Department, University Central Florida, Spring 2023-Present
Chair, Africana Studies Department, University of MASS-Boston, 2018-2021
Coordinator for History & African American Studies Majors, Claflin University, 2014-2018
History Internship Coordinator, Department of History, University of Richmond, 2004-2008
Interim Chair, Department of Africana Studies, University of MASS-Boston, 1995-1996
Director, The Writing Center, Johnson C. Smith University, 1987-1989

Teaching Positions

Professor, Department of History, University Central Florida, Spring 2023-Present
Professor of Africana Studies & History, AFRSTY & History Departments, University of MA-Boston, 2018-Fall 2022
Professor of History, Department of Humanities, Claflin University, 2014-2018
Visiting Senior Research Lecturer II, Africana Studies Department, UMBC, 2009-2014 [Re: Caretaker of a Sr. Parent]
Visiting Scholar (Sabbatical Year), History/Africana Studies Departments, UMBC, 2008-2009
Tyler & Alice Haynes Professor of American Studies & Associate Professor of History, Department of History, University of Richmond, 2002-2008
Senior Assistant Professor of History, Africana Studies Department, UMBC, 1996-2002
Assistant Professor of History, Africana Studies Dept, University of MA-Boston, 1994-1996
Assistant Professor, Department of History, College of the Holy Cross, 1991-1994
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, Tufts University, 1990-1991
Visiting Instructor, Africana Studies Program, Hamilton College, 1989-1990
Visiting Instructor, Department of English, Johnson C. Smith University, Spring 1989
Graduate Student TA, Department of History, SUNY-Binghamton University, 1984-1986

List of Courses Taught

[A] AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY: 18th, 19th & 20th Century US South: *Gender, Family, Slavery, Discrimination, Activism, Culture, Contemporary Historical Themes*

Antebellum Era

African American History to 1865 (or *Black History I*)
African American Women's History to 1865
Antebellum Free Blacks
Comparative Southern Slavery
Women and U.S. Slavery

Postbellum Era

African American History from 1865 (or *Black History II*)
African American Women's History from 1865
Civil Rights Movement
Washington, Garvey, & DuBois
Jim Crow Segregation [*Graduate-level only*]
Malcolm & Martin

Comprehensive (Antebellum Era to Present)

African American History: An Introduction
African American Images and the Media
African American Oral History
African American Intellectual History
From 'Black Face' to 'Blackening In': Cultural Appropriation
Black LGBTQ History
Road to Black Lives Matter: History of Violence towards Blacks
Southern African American Family
History of African American Education
Pan-Africanism

[B] TRANSNATIONAL/GLOBAL: *Comparative Activism, Culture, Gender, Slavery, Intellectual*

Africa

African History to 1885
African History from 1885
West African Women

Black Diaspora [West Africa, Latin Am/Carib, Europe, Asia, US South]

Black Women Cross-Cultural Perspectives [*Graduate-level*]
Comparative Slavery in the Americas
Pan-Africanism

[C] INTRODUCTION/METHODOLOGY: *History, Africana Studies, Gender*

Historian's Craft
Historical Interpretations and Methodology
Introduction to Africana Studies
Introduction to Gender/Women Studies
Methods and Approaches in Africana Studies

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Scholarly Papers Presented

- "In Black and White: Raising Southern Girls For Proper Courtship and Life"* Organization of American Historians [OAH]: New York City, NY. March 2008
- "Molding Early Twentieth Century African American College Students at Claflin University and S.C. State A & M"*. Southern Historical Association: Memphis, TN. November 2004.
- "Black Women, Beauty, Attitudes, and Sisterhood: Changes or Continuities In The 21st Century"* Inner Circle: Images of the Black and Creole Bourgeoisie, 1854-1954 Exhibition. Research Center of the College of Charleston. April 2001.
- "Getting Social History Right: A Colloquium On Race Ethnicity, Gender, and Class"*. The Historical Society: George Washington University. Nov1999.
- "Elite African American Women of Orangeburg, SC, 1880-1940: Class, Work, Disunity."* 4th Southern Conference on Women's History. Southern Association of Women's History(SAWH) Meeting. Charleston Southern University. June 1997.
- "African American Women's Work In South Carolina: Slavery to Present."* First Annual Conference of Afro-Americans in South Carolina. The Avery Center of the College of Charleston. Feb1986.
- "Southern Black Women: Early Examples of Organization Resistance In The Labor Force, 1866-1937."* Southern Women: Portraits in Conference. Tulane University. Sept 1985

Scholarly Conference and Round Table Roles

- Introduction, "Racism, Vaccinations, And Medical Skepticism In Black Communities: Public Health Impacts On Women Of Color"* WOMEN'S HISTORY Webinar. University of Massachusetts. Boston, MA. Mar/2021
- Moderator, Round Table Webinar: "Black Lives Matter, Restorative Justice, Healing, and Transformational Change"*. SANKOFA Conversations. University of Massachusetts. Boston, MA. Nov/2020
- Round Table Chair: "Gender & Transnational History: The State of the Field, Past, Present, and Future"*. Annual Meeting: Organization of American Historians. New Orleans, LA. Apr/2017
- Panel Chair: "A New Look at The Enslaved Resistance to Bondage"*. Association for the Study of African American Life and History Conference. Washington, D.C. Sept/2001.
- Panel Chair: "Interrogating Racial Identity and Interracial Relationships In The 1940s and 1960s"*. Annual Meeting: Organization of American Historians. Toronto, CN. Mar/1999
- Panel Chair: "The Bell Curve: Implications For Racial and Ethnic Diversity In Boston's Public Higher Education."* Trotter Institute. University of Massachusetts at Boston. Feb/1995
- Lead Discussant: "Somalian Women and Organization."* International Conference On Somali. College of the Holy Cross. Mar/1993

Professional Scholarly Memberships

American Historical Association
Association For The Study of African American Life and History
Association of Black Women Historians
Association For The Study of Worldwide African Diaspora
Berkshire Women's Conference
Orangeburg County Historical Society
Organization of American History
South Carolina Historical Association
South Carolina Humanities
Southern Association of Women's History
Southern Historical Association
University of South Caroliniana Society

Past Organizational Roles

- Member--* Drusilla Dunjee Houston Award Committee of Association of Black Women Historians: 2011-2016
- Member --* Membership Committee of Southern Association For Women Historians: 2008- 2011
- Coordinator --* Rose Book Prize Committee, SAWH: 2003-2004
- Member --* Rose Book Prize Committee, SAWH: 2001-2003

Selected Scholarly Lectures

- "Slavery by Another Name."* NEH Created Equal Program. Claflin University. Orangeburg, SC. April 17, 2017
- "Is Martin Luther King, Jr., Still Relevant?"*. Martin Luther King, Jr. Annual Lecture. Claflin University. Orangeburg, SC. January 2016
- "Celebrating 100 Years of Mrs. Z"*: Women's History Month Lecture Series. South Carolina State University, Orangeburg, SC. March 2011
- "Raising Elite Black Females In Early Twentieth Century America."* Salem College, Winston-Salem, NC May 2010
- "A Question of Black Southern Belles"*. University of Alabama-Birmingham. AL. May 2009
- "African American Inventors and Innovators"*. Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth Odyssey Program. Richmond, VA. March 2006
- "Ida B. Wells and Jim Crow Lynching"*. Black History Month Lecture. Wilde Lake High School. Columbia, MD. February 2004
- "African American Women, Work, and Class In South Carolina Before World War II."* Spelman College, Atlanta, GA. February 1994
- "Booker T. Washington and The Boston Radicals."* Public Lecture Series. University of Florida, Gainesville, FL. December 1994
- "The Real Malcolm X"*. Unitarian Universalist Church. Utica, NY. February 1990

Radio, Television, Newspaper Interviews/Presentations/Testimonials

- Lecture: This History of Black History Month: Carter G Woodson"*. Black History Month Lecture. High School for Health Professions Charter School. Orangeburg, SC. February 2020
- Interviewed by David Cohn. "Triumph and Tragedy in History"*. National History Day. Stoneham High School. Stoneham, MA. 2018
- "AHA Member Spotlight"* by Matthew Keogh. Spotlight of Kibibi V Mack-Shelton. *PERSPECTIVE*. 2016
- "Introduction of Author, Ms. Angela W. Williams: Hush Now Baby."* Orangeburg County Arts Center. Orangeburg, SC. December 2015
- "Introduction of Author, Dr. Miriam DeCosta-Willis: Sojourn in Kaduna: The Life and Letters of Frank A. DeCosta"*, Claflin University, Orangeburg, SC. October 2015
- Testimonial: Select Eye Care of Maryland* <https://www.select-eyecare.com/testimonials/> Towson MD. 2013
- "An Icon at 100: Tributes Pour in for Long-Time Educator Community Advocate"* by Menia D. Lee, T&D Correspondent. *Times and Democrat Newspaper*. Orangeburg, SC. March 10, 2011
- "Author Set to Sign Book About 'Mrs. Z' by T&D Staff Reporter. Times and Democrat Newspaper.* Orangeburg, SC. March 4, 2011
- "Local Residents Split Over Value of Slavery Apology"* by Olympia Meola and Robin Farmer. *Richmond-Times Dispatch Newspaper*. Richmond, VA. February 4, 2007
- "Lots At Stake in Name Game"* by Tammie Smith. *Richmond-Times Dispatch Newspaper*. VA. May 5, 2005
- "Black Student Alliance Formed"* by Alicia Goodman. *The Collegian Newspaper*. University of Richmond. Richmond, VA. April 15, 2004
- "Richmond Reels in Star Professors"* by Rob Walker. *Richmond Alumni Magazine*. University of Richmond. Richmond, VA. Fall 2003
- "Behind the Scenes with Kibibi Mack-Shelton: A Leader Among Female African Americans Settle Down at UMBC"* by Cindy Waugh, Staff Writer. *Retriever Weekly Newspaper*. UMBC. Catonsville, MD November 7, 2000
- "Author Spotlights Role of Local African American Women"* by Thomas Brown, T&D Correspondent. *Times and Democrat Newspaper*. Orangeburg, SC. August 11, 1999
- C-SPAN Book TV: Television and Radio Broadcasts--"Moving Beyond The Stereotypes: Studying Southern Women"*. Southern Festival of Books. Tennessee Humanities Council. October 1999 <https://www.c-span.org/video/?153186-1/african-american-women-south>
- Time Warner Cable Television. *"Orangeburg Inside and Out with Boo Sheppard"* Television Broadcast. Orangeburg, SC. July 26, 1999
- "Sixty-Five Minority High School Students on Campus for College Preview Week"*. *Crossroads Newspaper*. College of the Holy Cross. Worcester, MA. November/December 1993

Consultant, Reviewer, Advisory Activities

History Consultant—Boston Suffrage Project. Tempest Productions Inc. Brookline, MA, 2020-Present
Reviewer--- Revisions of Creating Black Americans: African American History and Its Meanings, 1619 to the Present. Oxford University Press Books, October 2019.
Consultant—Great Events Series: African Americans. Grey House Publishing: 2016-2018
Consultant-- Editorial Advisory Board for Collegiate Press: 1999-Present
African American History Consultant-- “A Moment in Time.” Weekly Radio Broadcast with Dan Roberts. National Public Radio. University of Richmond. Richmond, VA: 2006-2008
Advisory Board-- “Margaret May Dashiell Art Exhibition”. Lora Robins Gallery of Design from Nature. University of Richmond. Richmond, VA: 2005-2006.
Literary Reviewer-- Contours Journal, Spring/Summer 2000
Consulting Co-editor -- Racial and Ethnic Relations In America Publication: 1998 -1999
Judge -- Central Maryland History Day Competition: 1998-2004
Consulting Editor-- African American Encyclopedia Supplement: 1997
Editorial Consultant -- African American Encyclopedia: 1992

SKILLS TECHNOLOGY TRAINING

iBook Development & Electronic Book Writing. Mellon and Gates Training Workshops: 2015

SABBATICALS, GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Start-Up Research Funding, University of Central Florida, \$40,000: 2023-2028
College of Liberal Arts Research Start-Up Funding, Univ of Massachusetts-Boston, \$20,000: 2018-21
Sabbatical Year Leave, University of Richmond: Spring/Fall 2008
Semester Teaching Leave, University of Richmond
Tyler & Alice Haynes Endowed Chair of American Studies, University of Richmond
UMBC Research Fellow, University of Maryland Baltimore Co, \$20,000 (Declined)
Henry C. Welcome Fellowship, University of Maryland Baltimore County, \$20,000
New York Public Library List of Best Books For Teen Age, New York City, NY
Faculty Research Grant, University of Massachusetts-Boston, \$2500
Research Faculty Summer Fellowship, College of the Holy Cross, \$2500
Research & Publication Award, College of the Holy Cross, \$750
New England Scholar Honoree, Boston, MA
Dissertation Year Fellow, Binghamton University-SUNY, \$10,000
Teaching Assistantship, Binghamton University-SUNY, \$40,000
Foreign Language Association Studies Fellowship, Northwestern University
CIC Graduate Fellowship, Northwestern University, \$50,000
Magna Cum Laude Honors/B.A., UMES
Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges & Universities, UMES
Psi Mu Of Sigma Tau Delta National English Honor Society, UMES

SOCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Orangeburg County Fine Arts Center [Member, Volunteer]: 2014-Present
Orangeburg County Country Club [Member]: 2015-Present
USA Pickleball Association (USAPA) [Member]: 2014-Present
Select Eye Care of Maryland [Testimonial]: 2013-Present <https://www.select-eyecare.com/testimonials/>
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc [Member]: 2001-Present
United States Tennis Association (USTA) [Member]: 1999- Present
Baltimore Animal Recreation Center [BARC] Dog Park [Member]: 2008-2013
White House Office of National Drug Control Policy's National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign
[Consultant]: Spring 1999
“Not My Kid” Drug Education Workshop. Office of Howard County State Attorney Margaret Rappaport
[Consultant]: 1997-1998