

Curriculum Vitae as of February 2019

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EDUCATION

- 2004 Ph.D. Urban and Regional Studies, Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Cambridge, Massachusetts – Dissertation “Low Income Communities: Technological Strategies for Nurturing Community, Empowerment and Self-Sufficiency at a Low-Income Housing Development”
- 1998 Graduate Graduate Community Fellows Program, Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Cambridge, Massachusetts
- 1989 B.S.C.S.E Computer Systems Engineering, Howard University at Washington, D.C.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2015 – Present President, the John D. O’Bryant Think Tank (JDOTT) for Black Professionals in Higher Education, Boston, Massachusetts
- 2015 – Present Chair, Northeastern University Community Development Task Force, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts
- 2013 – Present Lecturer, the College of Professional Studies at Northeastern University at Boston, Massachusetts
- 2010 – Present Co-chair, Northeastern Black Faculty and Staff Organization, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts
- 2007 – Present Director, the John D. O’Bryant African-American Institute at Northeastern University at Boston, Massachusetts
- 2003 – Present Assistant Professor, the Department of Political Science at Northeastern University at Boston, Massachusetts
- 2003 – Present Senior Research Fellow, the Dukakis Center for Urban and Regional Policy at Northeastern University at Boston, Massachusetts

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS (PEER REVIEWED):

- 2015 Blacks in Massachusetts: Comparative Demographic, Social and Economic Experiences with Whites, Latinos, and Asians, James Jennings, Barbara Lewis, Richard O’Bryant, Rachel Bernard, Linda Sprague Martinez, and Russell Williams, Tufts University
- 2013 American Identity in the Age of Obama, anthology edited by Amilcar Barreto and Richard O’Bryant, Fordham University Press, Bronx NY
- 2013 “Introduction – The Age of Obama and American Identity”, in American Identity in the Age of Obama anthology edited by Amilcar Barreto and Richard O’Bryant
- 2008 “ICT as a Public Good: Community Building and Expanding U.S. Self-Sufficiency Policy” in Creative Urban Regions: Harnessing Urban Technologies to Support Knowledge City Initiatives edited by Tan Yigitcanlar, Koray Velibeyoglu and Scott Baum, Idea group, Inc., Hershey, PA
- 2006 “Build it, But They May Not Come ... Unless”, Boston, MA: The Center for Urban and Regional Policy Online Column, November, 2006
- 2005 “Low-Income Communities: Technological Strategies for Nurturing Community, Empowerment and Self-Sufficiency at a Low-income Housing Development”, 2005 Kellogg Forum Monograph, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2002 “Building Community, Empowerment and Self-Sufficiency: Early Results from the Camfield Estates-MIT Creating Community Connections Project”, London, UK: Information Communication and Society. Rutledge Publishing, 2002 (with Randal Pinkett)
- 2002 “Walking in the Wake: A Father's Legacy and A Son's Pride”, In Taylor Archer, M., & Smith, S. (Ed.), *Our Stories: The Experience of Black Professionals on Predominantly White Campuses.*: JDOTT, 2002
- 2001 “Establishing Neighborhood Technology Centers in Low-Income Communities: A Crossroads for Social Science and Computer Information Technology”, In Townsend, A. (Ed.), *Projections–The MIT Student Journal of Planning: Making Places Through Information Technology.* Canton, MA: Sherman Printing, 2001

OTHER SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

- 2011 Convened an academic conference entitled “American Identity in the Age of Obama” to become an edited volume, Northeastern University, Boston, MA
- 2010 Convened an academic conference entitled “Twenty-first Century Chain of Change – the Future of Community Development” to become and edited volume, Northeastern University, Boston, MA
- 2006 Published Letter to the Editor, “Grassroots campaigning still best Strategy for Black Candidates,” The Boston Banner, October 5, 2006
- 2005 Review of Eirik P. Bucy and John E. Newhagen (eds), *Media Access: Social and Psychological Dimensions of a New Technology Use* in New Media and Society, 2005 Sage Publications, UK (Peer reviewed)
- 2002 The Demonstration Disposition Program in Boston, Massachusetts, 1994 to 2001: A Program Evaluation, Final Report, MassHousing (With James Jennings, Juan Evereteze, and Russell Williams)
- 2002 *CTC AmericCorps Vista Project Assessment Report*, Boston, MA: University of Massachusetts Boston, 2002 (with Malo Hutson)

TEACHING

GRADUATE COURSES:

Northeastern University, 2003 – 2018

- LDR 6100 Developing Your Leadership Capabilities
- LDR 6100 Developing Your Leadership Capabilities – Online
- POLS 7203 Techniques in Policy Analysis
- PPUA 7233 Contemporary Community Development
- POL G314 Urban Government and Politics
- POL G333 Science, Technology and Public Policy
- POL G403 Directed Study (Relationship between high school athletics participation and academic performance)

- POL G403 Directed Study (The Evolution of F.O.C.U.S.: Navigating a Non-Profit Organization)
- POL G403 Directed Study (U.S. Universities and their Potential for Businesses in Latin America)
- POL G304 Economic Institutions and Analysis
- POL G318 Techniques for Program Evaluation

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES:

Northeastern University, 2003 – 2018

- POL U924 Directed Study (The Problems with Aviation Safety)
- POL U390 Science, Technology and Public Policy
- POL U358 Current Issues in Cities and Suburbs
- POL U345 Urban Policies and Politics

SERVICE

UNIVERSITY:

- 2015 Member, NU Dream Reach Educate Act Mentor (NU DREAM)
- 2013 Member, Conflict, Civility, Respect, Peace: Northeastern Reflects Organizing Committee
- 2010 Member, Northeastern University Community Development Task Force
- 2005 Member, NU Black and Latino Student Assessment Committee
- 2004, 2005 Member, Commencement Speaker Nominating Committee, Presidents Office
- 2004 Member, Thomas Atkins Scholarship Committee, John D. O’Bryant African-American Institute
- 2004 Member, Interview Committee for Coordinator of RWSS of the Ujima Scholars Program, John D. O’Bryant African-American Institute

COLLEGE:

- 2003 Member, Political Science Chair Search Committee, Faculty Senate

DEPARTMENT:

2005 - Present	Student advising L-Z (Freshman Class of 2010)
2005 - 2008	High School Essay Contest Committee member
2003 - Present	Faculty Member, Masters Public Administration Program
2003 - 2004	Manager, Political Science Department Website

BOARD MEMERSHIPS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

2014 - Present	Member, Northeastern University Federal Credit Union, Boston, Massachusetts
2013 - Present	Member, NU Dream Staff of Color Professional Development Committee, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts
2007 - 2013	Founding Member, Smith Leadership Academy Charter School, Boston, Massachusetts
2007 - Present	Regional Rep., The Association for Black Culture Centers, Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, IL
2007 - 2010	Member, Dorchester Bay Community Development Corporation, Boston, Massachusetts
2003 - 2010	Member, Camfield Estates Housing Development Corporation, Boston, Massachusetts
2002 - 2010	Board Member, MassIMPACT
1999 - 2003	Member, Community Technology Center, Network (CTCNet), Kensington, MD
1998 - 1999	Chair and Organizer, Black Man Think Tank, Boston, Massachusetts
1994 - 1996	Member, Project R.I.G.H.T. Community Development Corporation, Boston, Massachusetts
1993 - Present	Member, The John D. O'Bryant Think Tank for Black Professionals in Higher Education, Boston, Massachusetts
1993 - 1995	Member, Quincy Geneva Housing Corporation, Boston, MA

- 1992 – Present Trustee, The John D. O’Bryant High School Scholarship, Boston, Massachusetts
- 1992 – 1996 Vice President, The Concerned Black Men of Massachusetts, Incorporated
- 1992 – 1994 Construction and facility project manager, The John D. O’Bryant Community Youth Center, Boston, Massachusetts
- 1991 – 1997 Co-Chair, Bridging Bridges Black Male Community Collaborative Initiative, Boston, Massachusetts
- 1989 – Present Member, The Concerned Black Men of Massachusetts, Incorporated, Boston, Massachusetts

NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- 1992 – 1996 Director of the John D. O’Bryant Community Youth Center at the Roxbury Multi-Service Center, Roxbury, MA
- 1989 – 1992 Senior Software Engineer at Digital Equipment Corporation first with the DECnet/SNA Domain Gateway V1.0 PU5 type gateway in the IBM Interconnect Group and then with software quality engineering group, Littleton, MA

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2017 Educator Award – Boston and Vicinity Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women’s Clubs, Incorporated 51st Celebration of Sojourner Truth Awards Luncheon – April 2017
- 2007 Living Legend – Outstanding African-American Making History Today, Boston Renaissance Charter School
- 2006 Human Rights Award, the Center for the Study of Sports and Society, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts
- 2002 Kellogg Forum on Higher Education for the Public Good, Rising Scholar Award Recipient
- 2002 Guest Scholar Seventeenth Annual Aspen Institute Conference on Telecommunications Policy, Spectrum and Telecommunications Policy: Moving the Agenda for New Regulatory Paradigms

GRANTS

AWARDED:

- 2007 Northeastern University Provost Research and Scholarship Development Grant (RSDF) for Camfield Estates (Revisited): Community Technology and Citizen Participation Project, FY08 - \$11,000
- 2002 Kellogg Forum on Higher Education for the Public Good, *Rising Scholar Dissertation Research Award* - \$3,000
- 2000 Kellogg Foundation, *Camfield Estates-MIT Creating Community Connections Project* - \$250,000

WORKS REVIEWED

BOOKS:

- 2005 Sage Publications

BOOK PROSPECTI:

- 2005 MIT Press

ARTICLES:

- 2006 New Media & Society

CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

CONVENER, PANEL CHAIR, FACILITATOR AND DISCUSSANT:

- 2015 Co-chair and convener, the Annual Association for Black Culture Centers Conference, Boston, Massachusetts
- 2013 Panelist – “Understanding Hate: A Conversation on Hate Crime, Intergroup Relations, and Campus Climates” presenting on *campus climates*
- 2011 Panelist – “Presidential Election of 2012: Candidates, Issues and Parties” presenting on *African-American Perspectives on the Presidential Campaign of 2012* at Northeastern University
- 2011 Convened an academic conference entitled “American Identity in the Age of Obama” to become an edited volume, Northeastern University, Boston, MA

- 2010 Convened an academic conference entitled “Twenty-first Century Chain of Change – the Future of Community Development” to become and edited volume, Northeastern University, Boston, MA
- 2008 Convener of the 40th Anniversary Celebration and Black Alumni Reunion of the John D. O’Bryant African-American Institute at Northeastern University
- 2007 Connect The Disconnected Conference, “Empowering Communities through Electronic Information Access: Public Policy and effective Community Practices, Northeastern University, Boston, MA
- 2006 Panelist and primary paper discussed “Build it, But they May Not Come ... Unless”, panel on Access to Technology as part of United Way’s “2006 Living the Dream” series, MIT Cambridge MA
- 2005 Facilitator, panel on Using the Internet to Bridge Gaps and Bring People Together, 2005 Sustainable Development Forum, MIT Cambridge, MA
- 2004 Discussant, panel on Urban and Local Policies: Economic Development and Population Growth, 2004 Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, MA
- 2002 Guest Scholar Seventeenth Annual Aspen Institute Conference on Telecommunications Policy, Spectrum and Telecommunications Policy: Moving the Agenda for New Regulatory Paradigms

PRESENTATIONS:

- 2006 U.S. Housing and Urban Development - Neighborhood Networks Conference Regional Technical Assistance Workshops, *One Wireless Community* at MIT, June 2006
- 2005 We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution Summer Institute for Urban Teachers – Unit 6 on Citizenship, *Citizenship and How Citizen Participation is Changing* at Northeastern University, August 2005
- 2004 *Importance of Technology Access: One Community’s Story* at the Families Accessing Computer Technology (F.A.C.T.) 2004 meeting at MIT, Cambridge, MA – November 2004
- 2004 *Establishing Neighborhood Technology Centers in Low-Income Communities: A Crossroads for Social Science and Computer Information Technology* at the American Psychological Association Annual Convention ’04 Honolulu, Hawaii – July 2004

- 2003 *Community Technology and Political Participation* at the E-Topia /Designing Cambridge: 21st Century Communications for Our Community, MIT Cambridge, MA – November 2003
- 2002 *Using Community Technology to Expand Social Networks, Build Social Capital, and Inspire Empowerment in a Low-Income Boston Neighborhood.* Presentation at American Sociological Association (ASA) National Conference 97th Annual Meeting *Allocation Processes and Ascription* Chicago, Illinois -- August 16-19
- 2002 *Bridging the Digital Divide: Technology Revolutionizing Strategies for Addressing Traditional Issues of the Poor.* Presentation at Urban Affairs National Conference 32nd Annual Meeting "What's Right About Cities and an Urban Way of Life" Boston, Massachusetts -- March 20-23
- 2002 *Bridging the Digital Divide: Technology Revolutionizing Strategies for Addressing Traditional Issues of the Poor.* Presentation at University of Texas at Austin's Sixth Annual Barbara Jordan Forum on Public Policy Conference. Austin, Texas: University of Texas, February 18
- 2001 *Low-income communities: Technological Strategies for Nurturing Self-sufficiency in the 21st Century.* Presentation at MIT's Department of Urban Studies and Planning for meeting with former Vice-president Al Gore. Cambridge, MA, November 2.
- 2001 *Camfield Estates-MIT Creating Community Connections Project.* Presentation at UCLA's Advanced Policy Institute Community Technology for Community Change Conference. Los Angeles, CA, September 12.
- 2001 *CTCs and CNs: Consumers and Producers.* Presentation at the Community Technology Centers' Network (CTCNet) National Conference 2001. San Diego, CA, June 15-17.
- 2000 *Camfield Estates-MIT Creating Community Connections Project.* Presentation at MIT's Department of Urban Studies and Planning Fannie Mae Fellows conference. Cambridge, MA October 15
- 2000 *Camfield Estates-MIT Creating Community Connections Project.* Presentation at MIT's Media Lab for British Technologies. Cambridge, MA, November 3, 2000.

COLLOQUIA AND SPEECHES

- 2007 Dr. King's Challenge: Inspiring participation in Addressing America's Math and Science Educational Crisis keynote at the Raytheon Corporation's Black History Month event, Tewksbury, MA February 2007
- 2006 Dr. King's Challenge Our Responsibility to Each Other keynote at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Colleges of the Fenway Breakfast, January 2006
- 2005 Open Forum Presenter: *Perspectives on Hurricane Katrina – Technologies Role in the Events Surrounding Hurricane Katrina* at the John D. O'Bryant African-American Institute at Northeastern University in conjunction with AFR 399 Black Community and Social Change course, Boston, MA November 2005
- 2005 Judge, 2005 We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution Summer Institute for Urban Teachers at Northeastern University, August 2005
- 2005 *Boston WiFi Summit: Analysis of existing Wireless Technology in the City of Boston and Potential Models to Increase WiFi Capability in the Future* at the Museum of Science, Science Park Boston, MA – May 2005 – http://www.votejohntobin.com/blog/Videos/_archives/2005/5/19/872285.html
- 2004 *Black People and Presidential Politics: Post-Election Assessments* at Northeastern University, Boston, MA – November 2004
- 2000 *Role of University Research and Community*. Panel discussion at MIT's Sloan School of Management for MIT-Harvard initiative on public education. Cambridge, MA. March 16.

INTERVIEWS

- 2008 40th Anniversary of the Assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., New England Cable news (April 4, 2008)
- 2006 "Children, Families and Technology", Balancing Acts column in the Boston Sunday Globe, Maggie Jackson (February 2006)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2015 – Present	Pres. & Member, The John D. O’Bryant Think Tank (JDOTT) for Black Professionals in Higher Education, Boston, MA
2007 – Present	Member, Association of Black Cultural Centers (ABCC)
2007 – Present	Member, National Association of Student Personnel Administrators
2004 – 2007	Member, Urban Affairs Association
2004 – 2007	Member, American Political Science Association

DISSERTATION/THESIS ADVISING

CANDIDATE:

Ph.D.	Mayte Rivera	Law, Policy & Society Program, Northeastern University
Ph.D.	Ron Marlow	Law, Policy & Society Program, Northeastern University
Ph.D.	Makeda Keegan	Law, Policy & Society Program Northeastern University

CONSULTING

2017	Member of external review team for review of the Office of Intercultural Student Engagement in the division of Student Affairs at the University at Albany. – April 23 rd – April 25 th , 2017
2006 – 2008	Evaluation, Common Impact, “Strategic Teams for Technology Program: An Evaluation of the After-School Sub-Sector Approach for Technology Capacity Building” & “Defining Organizational Readiness: Lessons Learned in Technology Capacity Building”
2006, 2007	Evaluation, Roxbury Film Festival, “Evaluation of the Effectiveness of the 2006 Roxbury Film Festival’s Outreach Efforts and an Assessment of its Economic and Cultural Impacts” & “Evaluation of Levels of Business Support, Youth Participation, and Efforts for Increasing General Participation at the 2007 Roxbury Film Festival”
2006	Evaluation, Junior Achievement of Eastern Massachusetts, “Evaluation of Student, Volunteer and Teacher Feedback”