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EDUCATION

Doctoral Candidate – Sociology
University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

Master of Arts – Sociology, 2007
University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

Master of Arts - Criminology and Criminal Justice, 1996
University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland

Bachelor of Arts - Criminal Justice, 1992
Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

TEAHING EXPERIENCE

Victoria College, Adjunct Professor, Sociology - Spring 2014 to present

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Director. (2004 – 2012). University of Florida, Levin College of Law, Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations.

Research Coordinator. (2002 – 2004). University of Pennsylvania, School of Medicine/Veteran's Administration Hospital, Physician Intervention to Control Hypertension (PITCH).

Research Assistant. (2000 – 2001). George Washington University, Biostatistics Center, Medical Therapy of Prostatic Symptoms (MTOPS).

Research Associate. (1998 – 2000). National Research Council, Committee on Law and Justice.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

"Coping with Problems: A View from Later Life." 2009 Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, Louisiana .

"Not Your Grandparents' Religion? - Effects of College Students and Older Adults' Spiritual Beliefs on Subjective Well-Being and Fear of Death Mediated by Spiritual Activities and Purpose in Life"(with Ardelt, Monika, Wendy Young). 2008 Association for the Sociology of Religion, Boston, Massachusetts.

"Beyond Homies, Bros and Dawgs: An Exploration of African American Male Public Masculinity." 2007 Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, Georgia.

"Claiming Critical Space When Race is a Four-Letter Word: Graduate Sociology Students' Experiences Studying Race at a Southern University" (with Melissa Bamba, Larissa Gata, Robert Heck, David Reznik). 2007 Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, Georgia.

"Bewitched, Bothered, Bewildered: Embodying Marginal Religious Identity" (with Melissa Bamba, Larissa Gata, Rachel Hallum). 2006 Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, Louisiana.

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Long, J.A., Bamba, M. I., Ling, B., & Shea, J.A. (2006). Missing race/ethnicity data in Veterans Health Administration based disparities research: A systematic review. *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved, 17*, 128-140.

Bamba, M. & MacKenzie, D. L. (1998). Using the Boot Camp Model in Prisons, Jails and Juvenile Detention Centers." In R. Gido & T. Alleman (Eds.), *Turnstile Justice: Issues in American Corrections*. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall.

National Research Council. (2001). *Juvenile Crime, Juvenile Justice. Report from the Panel of Juvenile Crime: Prevention, Treatment and Control.* Washington, DC: National Academies Press.

National Research Council. (2000) *Education and Delinquency: Report from a Workshop.* Washington, DC: National Academies Press.

Bamba, M. I. (1999). Report to the Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy. *Connection between Child Maltreatment and Youth Delinquency and Drug Petitions.* Unpublished report.

National Research Council. (1999). *Pathological Gambling: A Critical Review.* Washington, DC: National Academies Press.

DISSERTATION

Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea: Barack Obama and the Seductions and Anxieties of Conservative Political Talk Radio. Committee: Monika Ardelt (Chair), Kendal Broad, Charles Gattone, Milagros Pena, Gwendolyn Zoharah Simmons

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

University of Florida, Graduate Student Association, Travel Grant, Southern Sociological Society (2006 – 2007).

Ford Foundation Predoctoral Diversity Fellowship - Honorable mention (2007).

National Science Foundation - Atlantic Coast Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences (AC-SBE) Alliance Fellow (2005).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Member, Southern Sociological Society, Committee on Racial and Ethnic Minorities (2010 – 2013).

Co-organizer, campus visit and lecture of Eduardo Bonilla-Silva, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL (2009).

Committee Member, University of Florida Committee Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Integration (2008 - 2009).

Co-President, University of Florida Conference of the Social Sciences (2007).

Committee Member, University of Florida Conference of the Social Sciences (2006).

Member, University of Florida Association of Black Faculty and Staff (2004 – 2012).

PROFESSIONAL AFILIATION

American Sociological Association