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## DEGREES AWARDED

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**City University of New York Graduate Center**, New York, NY

**Ph.D.**, History

Field Concentrations: Latin America & the Caribbean, African Diaspora Studies

**M.Phil.**, History

**George Washington University**, Washington, DC

Graduate-level certificate, Institute for Historical Documentary Filmmaking

**New York University**, New York, NY

**B.A.**, History

Minor: Metropolitan Studies

Exchange programs: Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra, Dominican Republic;

Spelman College

## RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

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African Diaspora Studies

Caribbean and Latin American History

The Black Freedom Movement in the United States

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Burrowes, Nicole. "Building the World We Want to See: Sista II Sista and the Struggle Against State and Interpersonal Violence." *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture and Society* 20, no. 4 (October-December 2018): 375-398.

Burrowes, Nicole, Laura Helton, La TaSha Levy, and Deborah McDowell. "Freedom Summer and its Legacies in the Classroom." *The Southern Quarterly* 52, no. 4 (2014): 155-172.

### Edited Projects

Burrowes, Nicole, and Mónica Jiménez, editors. Special Issue: "The Afterlives of Empire in the Caribbean." *The NACLA Report on the Americas*, August 30, 2023. <https://nacla.org/afterlives-empire-caribbean>

### Book Chapters

Burrowes, Nicole. "Walter Rodney, World Systems Analysis and Racial Capitalism." In *Beyond Inequality: New Paradigms for Addressing the Future of Work*, edited by Engle, Karen, and Neville Hoad. New York: Columbia University Press. *Forthcoming*.

Burrowes, Nicole. "Sugar Strikes: Confronting Plantation Legacies in British Guiana." In *Legacies of Slavery and Indentured Labour, Vol. 7*, edited by Hassankhan, Maurits, and Farzana Gounder. New Delhi: Manohar Press, *Forthcoming*.

Lee, Tamara and Nicole Burrowes. "Critical Lenses in the Global South: Two Scholars in Conversation." In *A Racial Reckoning in Industrial Relations: Storytelling as Revolution from Within*, edited by Tamara L. Lee, Sheri Davis-Faulkner, Naomi R. Williams and Maite Tapia, 131-147. Ithaca: Labor and Employment Relations Association, Cornell University Press, 2022.

Burrowes, Nicole, and La TaSha Levy. "Freedom is a Constant Struggle: Teaching the 1964 Mississippi Freedom Project." In *Understanding and Teaching the Civil Rights Movement*, edited by Hasan Jeffries, 144-158. Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2019.

(This book was awarded the American Historical Association's 2020 James Harvey Robinson Prize for the most outstanding contribution to the teaching and learning of history.)

### Book Reviews

Burrowes, Nicole. Review of *White Debt: The Demerara Uprising and Britain's Legacy of Slavery* by Thomas Harding. *New West Indian Guide/Nieuwe West-Indische Gids* 98, no. 1-2 (12 April 2024): 141-142. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/org/science/article/pii/S1382237324000230>

Burrowes, Nicole. Review of *Post-Colonial Trajectories in the Caribbean: The Three Guianas*, edited by R. Hoefte, M. L. Bishop, and P. Clegg. *Small States and Territories Journal* 1, no.1 (May 2018): 135-6.

Burrowes, Nicole. "Responding to King Sugar's Painful Rule: Clive Thomas and the Vision for an Economically Independent Caribbean," review of *Plantations, Peasants and State*, by Clive Y. Thomas. *C.L.R. James Journal* 22, no. 1/2 (Fall 2016): 287-296.

### Public Scholarship

Burrowes, Nicole. "ABWH Series Legends in the Field: Interview with Dr. Deborah Gray White." YouTube, Association of Black Women Historians channel, June 25, 2022. Video, 01:10:11. <https://youtu.be/opOptwvN3A8>.

"Young, Gifted and Black: Teaching Freedom Summer to K-5 Students – with Nicole Burrowes, La TaSha Levy, and Liz Kleinrock." Produced by Teaching Tolerance/Southern Poverty Law Center. *Teaching Hard History*, January 26, 2021. Podcast, 01:17:00. <https://www.learningforjustice.org/podcasts/teaching-hard-history/civil-rights-movement/young-gifted-and-black-teaching-freedom-summer-to-k-5-students>.

"The Legacy of Andaiye: A Conversation with Alissa Trotz and Nicole Burrowes." Produced by Christen Smith. #CiteBlackWomen, August 7, 2020. Podcast, 49:25. <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/s2e8-the-legacy-of-andaiye-a-conversation/id1447336564?i=1000487472491>.

Burrowes, Nicole. "Andaiye: Caribbean Radicalism and a Black Woman's Critical Imprint." Association of Black Women Historians blog, October 2, 2019. <https://abwh.org/2019/10/02/andaiye-caribbean-radicalism-and-a-black-womans-critical-imprint/>.

Burrowes, Nicole. "Sugar Workers: A Sustaining Life Force," In the Diaspora Column, *Stabroek News* (national newspaper in Guyana), March 26, 2018. <https://www.stabroeknews.com/2018/03/26/features/in-the-diaspora/sugar-workers-a-sustaining-life-force/>.

Burrowes, Nicole. "Remembering Walter Rodney," Feature, *Atlanta Black Star*, October 7, 2017.  
<https://atlantablackstar.com/2017/10/07/remembering-walter-rodney/>.

### **Book-in-Progress**

Burrowes, Nicole. *Seeds of Solidarity: African-Indian Relations and the 1935 Labor Rebellions in British Guiana*. Under contract with Cambridge University Press.

### **Additional Work-in-Progress**

Burrowes, Nicole. "Anti-Colonialism in the Caribbean." In *The Cambridge History of the African Diaspora, Volume 3*, edited by Monique Bedasse, Nemata Blyden, Ben Talton.

## **ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

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### **Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ**

Fall 2020 – present

**Assistant Professor**, Department of History

**Residential Faculty Fellow**, Honors College

Faculty Affiliate, Africana Studies

Faculty Affiliate, Rutgers Advanced Institute for Critical Caribbean Studies

Faculty Affiliate, Center for Latin American Studies

### **The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX**

Fall 2017 – Summer 2020

**Assistant Professor**, African and African Diaspora Studies Department

Faculty Affiliate, John L. Warfield Center for African and African American Studies

Faculty Affiliate, Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies

Faculty Affiliate, Department of History

Faculty Affiliate, Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice

### **Brown University, Providence, RI**

Fall 2015 – Spring 2017

**Presidential Postdoctoral Fellow**, Department of History

### **University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA**

Fall 2013 – Spring 2015

**Pre-doctoral Fellow**, Carter G. Woodson Institute

### **Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, New York, NY**

Schomburg-Mellon Humanities Summer Institute

Summers, 2015 – 2017

**Assistant Director**

Summers, 2007 – 2014

## Mentor

**City University of New York – City College, Center for Worker Education, New York, NY**

2008, 2010

**Adjunct Lecturer**

**City University of New York – Queens College, Murphy Institute, Queens, NY**

2008

**Adjunct Lecturer**

## UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ**

- **Colloquium in Atlantic and African Diaspora History, Fall 2023**

HIS 510:532:01

Co-developed and co-taught this graduate course which explores the modern African diaspora. We reviewed key themes and debates in African diaspora theory informed by the complexities of contemporary migrations. Starting with the Haitian Revolution, the course then moved chronologically, examining diaspora history focused multiple geographic locations based on the following themes: 1) Citizenship and Belonging, and 2) Black social and religious movements.

- **History Seminar: Race, Rebellion and Revolution in the Caribbean, Fall 2023**

HIS 01:506:401:02 (The History Seminar is a required course for history majors.)

Developed and implemented this course as a history course, which explores the Caribbean as a revolutionary space, examining ways in which race has been used as a mechanism of governance and management as well as been mobilized in movements. Through a scaffolded process, students produced research papers based on their individual interests heavily based on primary sources.

- **History Workshop: Decolonization and Sovereignty in the Caribbean, Spring 2023**

HIS 01:506:299:01 (The History Workshop is a required course for history majors.)

Developed and implemented this course which examines important questions of decolonization and sovereignty across the circum-Caribbean from an historical perspective with a particular focus on the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Through a scaffolded process, students produced research papers based on their individual interests.

- **African American History Seminar, Spring 2022, Spring 2023**

HIS 510:573:01

Updated and implemented this graduate seminar designed to guide students through writing original research projects in African American history.

- **Global Diasporas in Caribbean History, Spring 2022**

HIS 508:393:01 (cross-listed with Latino and Caribbean Studies)

Revised existing syllabus and implemented this course, which examines notions of diaspora with a particular focus on the history of enslavement, the indenture system, and migrations. The content crosses political, cultural, and linguistic boundaries in its consideration of the greater Caribbean, engaging the region's thinkers, artists, and cultural producers.

## The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

- **Freedom Summer**, Fall 2019

AFR 374D/WGS 340 (cross-listed with Women's and Gender Studies)

*Course Flag:* Cultural Diversity

This course examines the 1964 Mississippi Summer Project, widely known as “Freedom Summer,” a civil rights campaign that was a multi-faceted program that challenged white supremacy and racial terror through the establishment of Freedom Schools, voter registration drives, and an alternative political party called the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party. Using primary sources, film, music, and scholarly texts, students examine the history of Freedom Summer, its impact, contradictions, and legacy. The course situates this movement in the larger context of the Black Freedom Movement in the United States, the Cold War, and global independence and human rights struggles. Students produced podcasts on related topics for this course.

- **Community Internship**, Spring 2019, Spring 2020

AFR 375 (Department Core Course)

*Course Flags:* Independent Inquiry; Ethics and Leadership; Cultural Diversity

Revised existing syllabus and expanded community placements for this upper-level course, required for AFR majors. The goals of this course are to analyze the connections between academic and community-driven solutions to some of today's most intractable social problems, particularly those structured by race, gender, and class inequality; to study social movement theory; and to provide AFR majors the opportunity to work collaboratively with Austin organizations and agencies. Taught course, solicited and managed the internships, and led the racial geography internship.

- **Visual History**, Spring 2019, Spring 2020

UGS 303 (Signature Course)

*Course Flag:* Writing

Developed and implemented this signature course for first-year students in the School of Undergraduate Studies. The course examines the intersection of film, history, and race in order to support students to analyze and evaluate different representations of history, to produce original research, and encourage global consciousness. Students are asked to think through questions related to power, perspective, race, gender, evidence, representation, the production of history, and the very act of seeing.

- **Race Against Empire in the Americas**, Fall 2018

AFR 374E/HIS 366N/LAS 366 (cross-listed with History and Latin American Studies)

*Course Flags:* Cultural Diversity; Global Cultures

Co-developed and implemented this course, which explores the relationship between notions of race, race-making, and colonialism in the Americas; critiques of empire; and anti-colonial movements and their corresponding “freedom dreams.”

- **Race, Rebellion, and Revolution in the Caribbean**, Spring 2018, Fall 2019

AFR 374E/HIS 363K/LAS 366 (cross-listed with History and Latin American Studies)

*Course Flags:* Writing; Independent Inquiry; Global Cultures

Developed and implemented this interdisciplinary course, which explores the Caribbean as a revolutionary space, examining ways in which race has been used as a mechanism of governance and management as well as been mobilized in movements.

▪ **Black Lives in the Archives**, Spring 2018

AFR 374E/HIS 366N (cross-listed with History)

*Course Flags:* Independent Inquiry; Cultural Diversity; Global Cultures

Developed and implemented this course, which explores the politics, possibilities, and challenges of the archive for studying Black subjects. Students engaged this topic through theoretical and interdisciplinary readings, hands-on archival research at university repositories, and the production of individual research projects.

**Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture**, New York, NY, 2007 – 2017

- Served as facilitator for seven-week program dedicated to supporting underrepresented undergraduates to pursue doctoral studies in the humanities related to Africa, the African Diaspora, Africana Studies, and Comparative Ethnic Studies.
- Mentored over 100 students over the course of my work with this program, the majority of whom pursued graduate studies.
- Led discussions on African and African Diaspora history.
- Supervised interdisciplinary individual research projects and group digital humanities projects.
- Supported undergraduates with archival research in the Schomburg Center collections.
- Organized workshops related to pursuing graduate studies and conducting original research.
- Responsible for the day-to-day implementation of the program and program development.
- Served on the selection committee.

**Brown-Tougaloo Partnership**, Tougaloo, MS, Spring 2017

- Developed an undergraduate course at Tougaloo College entitled “**African Liberation Movements**,” which examined anti-colonial, anti-apartheid, and Pan-African movements in Africa and their influence abroad.
- Co-led the civil rights mini-exchange trip to the Mississippi Delta and Memphis, Tennessee, with Brown University and Tougaloo College students.

**Brown University**, Providence, RI, Spring 2016

- Developed an undergraduate course entitled “**Comparative Black Power**” that critically examined Black power movements across the globe with a focus on the political imaginations, cultures, gender politics, and legacies.
- History honors thesis reviewer.

**University of Virginia**, Charlottesville, VA, 2014 – 2015

- Spring 2015: Facilitated undergraduate learning experience on the Civil Rights South Tour with Julian Bond.
- Fall 2014: Co-developed and facilitated seminar for public middle school and high school teachers in Virginia on “Teaching Freedom Summer,” sponsored by the Center for Liberal Arts.
- Summer 2014: Co-developed a multi-media course entitled “**Freedom Summer**” in honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1964 Mississippi Summer Project for the Carter G. Woodson Institute for African and African American Studies. The course featured civil rights movement history, classrooms in the community, and an intensive community service-learning component in collaboration with local organizations.

**City University of New York – City College, Center for Worker Education**, New York, NY, 2008, 2010

- Fall 2010: Developed and implemented a course entitled “**Comparative Labor Movements in the Americas**” that commenced with the Haitian Revolution and concluded with *bananeras* in Latin America.
- Fall 2008: Developed and implemented a course entitled “**Visual History: Documentaries, New Media & Our World**,” which examined global contested histories and/or controversial historical topics using documentaries, new media, and primary and secondary sources. The purpose of the course was to support students to critically evaluate different constructions of history and to produce original research.

#### City University of New York – Queens College, Murphy Institute, New York, NY, 2008

- Spring 2008: Developed and implemented a course entitled “**New York City Work, Politics, & Culture**,” which used literature, ethnography, history, film, music, and site visits to explore the history of the city through an intersectional lens.

### SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

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September 2021 – August 2024	Distinguished Lecturer, Organization of American Historians
September 2020 – August 2021	Fellowship, American Council of Learned Societies
June – December 2020	Career Enhancement Fellowship, Institute for Citizens and Scholars (formerly the Woodrow Wilson Research Foundation)
March 2019	Mellon Post-Custodial Archives Engagement Mini-Grant, The University of Texas at Austin
July 2018	Travel Grant, George A. Smathers Libraries Special and Area Studies Collections, University of Florida
June 2018	Summer Research Fellowship, John L. Warfield Center, The University of Texas at Austin
July 2015 – June 2017	Presidential Postdoctoral Fellowship, History Department, Brown University
August 2013 – July 2015	Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Carter G. Woodson Institute for African American and African Studies, University of Virginia
May 2012	Honorable Mention – Dissertation Fellowship, Ford Foundation
September 2011 – May 2012	Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, African and African Diaspora Studies Department, The University of Texas at Austin
January 2011	Doctoral Student Research Grant, CUNY Graduate Center
June 2008	Travel Award, CUNY Office of Educational Opportunity & Diversity
May 2004	Project Involve Awardee, Documentary Section, Independent Filmmaker Project (IFP)
September 2002	Social Justice Fellow, Open Society Foundations
January 2000	Named one of “21 New Yorkers to Watch in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century,” the <i>New York Daily News</i>

### INVITED TALKS

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December 2023. Invited Speaker. “Seeds of Solidarity: African-Indian Relations and the 1935 Labor Rebellions in British Guyana.” Caribbean Seminar, Institute of the Americas, University College of London. (virtual)

April 2023. Keynote Lecture. “Small But Mighty: Celebrating Big Histories of Marginalized Individuals, Spaces and Communities.” 45th Annual Warren Susman Graduate Conference, History Department, Rutgers University, New Brunswick.

November 2021. Invited Speaker. “Plenary: The Legacy of Andaiye – The Point is to Change the World: Selected Writings of Andaiye.” Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora Symposium “Rising for Survival” (virtual).

June 2020. Invited Speaker. “Communities in Crisis: Black Feminist Responses to the National Uprising.” Center for Women’s and Gender Studies, The University of Texas at Austin (virtual).

March 2020. Invited Speaker. “Waving Red Flags: Sugar Workers in 1930s British Guiana.” Agency in Action: Chapters in Socialist and Collectivist History Series, Institute for Historical Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

February 2020. Invited Speaker. “Walter Rodney and World Systems Theory.” Beyond Inequality Workshop, Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice and Harvard Institute for Global Law and Policy, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

October 2019. Invited Speaker. “Praxis Tank Launch: Purpose, Politics, and Power.” The New School, New York, NY.

November 2018. Invited Speaker. “Feminism in the Academy and Beyond.” Yulee Symposium, Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, George Washington University, Washington, DC.

November 2018. Invited Guest. “Guyana and the African Diaspora.” *Zumbi Radio Show*, KAZI 88.7 FM, Austin, TX.

June 2018. Invited Speaker. “Teaching Iconic Civil Rights People, Organizations, and Events, From Freedom Summer to the Black Panthers.” We Who Believe in Freedom: Teaching Civil Rights Symposium, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH.

October 2016. Invited Speaker. “From Sistas Liberated Ground to #SayHerName: Gender, Race, and the Intersections of Violence.” Africana Studies Department, Brown University, Providence, RI.

June 2016. Invited Speaker. “Seeds of Solidarity: the 1935 Labor Rebellions in British Guiana.” Golden Jubilee, 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration of Guyanese Independence, York College, Queens, NY.

March 2016. Keynote Lecture. “Unity and Struggle.”\* Students of Caribbean Ancestry’s Ebony Soiree, Brown University, Providence, RI.

\*Title comes from the seminal work by Amilcar Cabral.

November 2015. Invited Commentator. Documentary Film Screening: “The Black Panthers: Vanguard of the Revolution.” Virginia Film Festival, Charlottesville, VA.

October 2015. Invited Speaker. “On the Meanings of Solidarity.” What I am Thinking About Now Series, Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America, Brown University, Providence, RI.



October 2014. Invited Speaker. "Education for Liberation and Freedom Schooling." Conversations in Black Freedom Studies, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, New York, NY.

## **PANEL, SYMPOSIUM, AND CONFERENCE ORGANIZING**

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April 2023. Convener. "Who Feels it Knows it: Grassroots Caribbean Women's Organizing and the Politics of Oil in Guyana." Virtual event hosted by the Rutgers Advanced Institute for Critical Caribbean Studies, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ.

June 2022. Panel Organizer and Paper Presenter. "World Making in a Changing Caribbean: Resistance and Building Community in the Face of Imperialism and Crisis." Association of Caribbean Historians Conference, Kingston, Jamaica (virtual).

May 2022. Co-Convener and Paper Presenter. "The Many Worlds of Mainland 'British Latin America.'" Symposium co-hosted by the Rutgers Center for British Studies and the Rutgers Advanced Institute for Critical Caribbean Studies, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ.

May 2022. Co-Convener and Facilitator. "Abolition and Birth Justice: Enlarging Our Freedom." National Strategy Session sponsored by the National Perinatal Task Force and Embody Transformation (virtual).

March 2019. Panel Organizer. "Rebel Women\*: From the 1960s to the Present." Black Studies@50: 1968/69, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

\*Title comes from Iris Morales' *Through the Eyes of Rebel Women: The Young Lords 1969-1976*.

February 2019. Convener. Diaspora Talk (Day 1): Book Talk by Herman L. Bennett, "African Kings and Black Slaves: Sovereignty and Dispossession in the Early Modern Atlantic" & Graduate Student Mentoring Session (Day 2), sponsored by the John L. Warfield Center for African and African American Studies, the African and African Diaspora Studies Department, and the History Department, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

March 2017. Panel Organizer and Speaker. "Fannie Lou Hamer's Legacy: Carrying the Movement Forward." Opening Plenary Session for the Veterans of the Mississippi Civil Rights Movement Conference, Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, MS.

May 2016. Panel Organizer and Speaker. "Colin Palmer Retrospective: The Political Biography of the Caribbean." CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY.

September 2015. Panel Organizer and Speaker. "Novel Approaches to Teaching Civil Rights Movement History." Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Atlanta, GA.

September 2014. Co-Organizer and Speaker. "Teaching Freedom Summer: A History Workshop for Virginia Public School Teachers." Co-sponsored by the Center for Liberal Arts, the Carter G. Woodson Institute, and the Miller Center, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA.

March 2012. Co-Facilitator. Trayvon Martin Response Session. Over 200 individuals attended this interactive session to develop responses by The University of Texas community to the Trayvon Martin shooting and to local police brutality in Austin. The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

February 2012. Co-Convener and Speaker. Film Screening: W.A.R. Stories: Walter Anthony Rodney. The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

2010 – 2011. Co-Convener. Caribbean Epistemologies Seminar, a monthly CUNY-wide seminar for faculty and students that explores issues across the spectrum of the Caribbean. CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY.

## PRESENTATIONS

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April 2023. Panelist. “Crosscurrents of the Radical Caribbean: Navigating Transnational Black Solidarities.” Organization of American Historians, Los Angeles, CA.

January 2023. Panelist. “New Approaches to Caribbean Labor and Working-Class Histories.” Caribbean Studies Section, American Historical Association, 136<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

December 2022. Panelist. “Reflexões sobre o feminismo negro na diáspora.” ALARI Second Continental Congress on Afro-Latin American Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.

June 2022. Panelist. “Combating the ‘New’ Imperialism: Narratives of Resistance in a Changing Caribbean.” Caribbean Studies Association, 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Kingston, Jamaica (virtual).

June 2021. Panelist. “Waving Red Flags: Sugar Workers and the Turbulent 1930s in British Guiana.” Caribbean Studies Association, 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Georgetown, Guyana (virtual).

April 2020. Panelist. “Teaching the Civil Rights Movement.” Organization of American Historians, Washington, D.C. (canceled due to COVID).

November 2019. Panelist. “Liberation in Black and Brown.” Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora, 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference, Williamsburg, VA.

March 2019. Panelist. “Training the Next Generation of Scholars at the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture.” African American Intellectual History Society Conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

November 2018. Panelist. “Emergent Counter-Topographies, Infrastructures, and Genealogies of Struggle.” American Studies Association Conference, Atlanta, GA.

June 2018. Panelist. “Confronting Plantation Legacies in British Guiana.” Legacies of Slavery and Indentured Labour Conference, Anton de Kom University, Paramaribo, Suriname.

June 2018. Moderator. “Reframing the Civil Rights Movement: Opposition, Regionalization, Tactics, and Strategies.” We Who Believe in Freedom: Teaching Civil Rights Symposium, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH.

November 2017. Panelist. “From Sistas Liberated Ground to #SayHerName: Gender, Race, and the Intersections of Violence.” Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora, 9<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference, Seville, Spain.

March 2016. Speaker. “On the Edge of Empire: 1930s Labor Rebellions in British Guiana.” History Department, Brown University, Providence, RI.

October 2015. Moderator. “Reconstruction and the Right to the City.” Katrina After Ten Conference, Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America, Brown University, Providence, RI.

May 2015. Panelist. “Overlapping Diasporas in British Guiana During the 1930s.” Association of Caribbean Historians Conference, Nassau, Bahamas.

September 2014. Panelist. “Lisa Y. Sullivan and Ella Baker’s Legacy in the 1990s.” Association for the Study of African American Life and History, 99<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, Memphis, TN.

October 2013. Panelist. “The 1935 Rebellions and the Possibilities and Challenges of African-Asian Solidarity in British Guiana.” Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora, 7<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

March 2013. Panelist. “Envisioning Solidarity: Africans and Indians in British Guiana During the 1930s.” International Graduate Student Conference on Latin America and the Caribbean, York University, Toronto, Canada.

February 2013. Panelist. “Sons of Ethiopia: Blackness and Labor Movements in British Guiana During the 1930s.” Refashioning Blackness: Contesting Racism in the Afro-Americas, Lozano Long Conference, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

April 2012. Speaker. “African-Asian Solidarity, Gender, and the Politics of Decolonization in British Guiana: The Roots of 1953.” Pre-doctoral Talk, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

April 2011. Moderator. “Caribbean Identities.” Caribbean Epistemologies Symposium, CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY.

January 2011. Chair. “Teaching and Studying Africa and the African Diaspora.” The State of African American and African Diaspora Studies: Methodology, Pedagogy and Research Conference, sponsored by the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture and the Institute for Research on the African Diaspora in the Americas and the Caribbean, New York, NY.

## ADVISING

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### Graduate Advising

Doctoral Student, Advisor. Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

- Kiran Baldeo, Department of History (2021 – current)
- Conference Course Instructor, Kiran Baldeo, History (Summer/Fall 2022)

Doctoral Student Exam Committee, Member. Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

- Daila Griñan, Department of History, African Diaspora Studies (Spring 2023)

Dissertation Committees, Member. The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

- Gaila Sims, Department of American Studies (graduated May 2022)
- Angelica Allen, African and African Diaspora Studies Department (graduated August 2020)

- Amrita Mishra, Department of English (graduated August 2020)

Doctoral Student Exam Committees, Member. The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

- Daisy Guzman, African and African Diaspora Studies Department (Fall 2020)
- Chantaniece Kitt, African and African Diaspora Studies Department (Spring 2019)

Master's Student Thesis, Chair. The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

- Marcia Black, M.A. thesis, Dual Degree Program: Women's and Gender Studies and School of Information (graduated August 2020)
- Conference Course Instructor, Marcia Black, Women's and Gender Studies (Summer 2018)

**Undergraduate Advising.** The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

- Plan II Sophomore Advisor. Yulissa Conejo (Spring 2020)
- Secondary Faculty Mentor. Bridging Disciplines Program, Sarah Ahmed (Spring 2019)
- Primary Faculty Mentor. Bridging Disciplines Program, Alexis Desnormes (Spring 2019)
- Thesis Advisor. African and African Diaspora Studies, Zaria El-Fil (Fall 2018 – Spring 2019)
- Primary Faculty Mentor. Bridging Disciplines Program, Sammy Homsy (Fall 2018)

## **SERVICE (2018-PRESENT)**

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### **Service to the Profession**

- September 2023. Respondent. Book Workshop: Malone-Gonzalez, Shannon. *The Secrets of Silence: Policing and Black Women's Everyday Struggle for Recognition*. Department of Sociology, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
- May 2023. Respondent. Book Workshop: Gross, Kali Nicole. *Vengeance Feminism: Lawlessness and Legacies of Black Women's Fury*. Department of African American Studies, Emory University
- 2021 – 2022. Member. Creative Productions Committee, Association of Black Women Historians
- Summer 2022. Peer Reviewer. *Review of International Political Economy*
- February 2022. Respondent. Book Workshop: Hammack, Maria. *South of Slavery: Freedom Fighters and Black Movement Across a Global Frontier - México, the United States and Beyond, 1790-1868*. The McNeil Center for Early American Studies, University of Pennsylvania
- 2021. Member. Virtual Arrangements Committee, Virtual Symposium, Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora
- December 2021. Respondent. Dissertation Chapter Workshop: Royster, Briana. "Of Our Stock and Blood: Empire, Religion, and Afro-Diasporic Identity, 1898-1945." Caribbean Initiative, New York University
- 2019 – 2021. Member. Beyond Inequality Workshop, Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice and Harvard Institute for Global Law and Policy
- 2019 – 2020. Member. Publications Committee, Association of Black Women Historians
- Fall 2019. Reviewer. LLLILAS Benson Digital Scholarship Fellowship Competition, The University of Texas at Austin
- Summer 2019. Faculty. Telluride Association Summer Seminar for high school students, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- 2018 – 2021. Scholar Liaison. Caribbean Research Library Digital Archives Project, partnership between the University of Guyana and the Nettie Lee Benson Latin American Collection, University of Texas at Austin

- 2018 and 2019. Member. National Selection Committee for pre-doctoral and post-doctoral fellowships in Africana Studies
- October 2019. Faculty Mentor. Graduate Student Workshop for the Puerto Rican Studies Association Conference, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
- Fall 2018. Peer Reviewer. *Women's Studies Quarterly*
- June 2018. Strategy Session Participant. "We Who Believe in Freedom: Teaching Civil Rights Symposium," led by the Southern Poverty Law Center, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH – Black Freedom Movement scholars from across the country met to develop a framework for teaching civil rights history in high schools. The framework was published in 2023, "Teaching the Civil Rights Movement," <https://www.learningforjustice.org/magazine/publications/teaching-the-civil-rights-movement>

### Departmental and University Service

Department of History, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

- 2023 – 2024. Member. Graduate Education Committee
- 2021 – 2023. Member. Undergraduate Education Committee
- Spring 2022. Member. Targeted Search Committee, Early African American History
- 2020 – present. Member. African American Caucus
- 2020 – present. Member. African Diaspora Caucus
- 2020 – 2021 and 2022- present. Member. Latin American Caucus

Honors College, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

- 2023 – present. Residential Faculty Fellow. Provided mentoring and regular intellectual and social programming for HC students.

African and African Diaspora Studies Department, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

- 2019 – 2020. Co-Chair. Graduate Admissions Committee
- 2018 – 2020. Member. Curriculum Committee

### Community Service

- 2021 – Present. Member. Core Strategy Team and Statement Team Facilitator, "Abolition and Birth Justice: Enlarging Our Freedom" Project (National)
- May 2022. Community Expert. National Maternal Justice Model training, Central Texas Perinatal Safe Zone (Texas)
- 2017 – 2020. Member. Coordination Team, Communities of Color United for Racial Justice (Austin, TX)

### Facilitation and Speaking Engagements

- July 2024. Community Expert and Facilitator. "Embodied Herstories Workshop on Reproductive Justice." Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Princeton, NJ.
- January 2024. Seminar Leader. "Freedom Summer." Rutgers Center for Historical Analysis, Institute for High School Teachers.
- May 2023. Facilitator. "Enlarging Our Freedom: Abolition and Birthing Justice Statement Launch." Borealis Philanthropy Virtual Event.

- Fall 2022. Guest Speaker. Course: “Beyond Policing: Abolition and the Carceral State.” Professor Ujju Aggarwal, The New School, New York, NY (virtual)
- May 2022. Guest Speaker. “Black History Story Time.” Iveylane Elementary School, Orlando, FL (virtual)
- May 2022. Guest Speaker. Course: “The Historian’s Craft.” Professor Paul Hanebrink, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ
- April 2022. Guest Speaker. Course: “Abolition Geographies.” Professor Priscilla Ferreira, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ
- November 2020. Guest Lecturer. Course: “Race Against Empire in the Americas.” Professor Mónica Jiménez, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX (virtual)
- June 2020. Speaker and Co-coordinator. “Mini Teach-in: From Minneapolis to Austin—Divest and Defund the Police.” Communities of Color United, Austin, TX (virtual)
- April 2020. Guest. “Solidarity and Collective Care During COVID-19.” Catch-Up Café: Warfield Center Instagram Live Series, The University of Texas at Austin (virtual)
- March 2020. Chair. “Black Women’s Internationalism and the Black Radical Tradition.” African American Intellectual Historical Society’s 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
- March 2020. Chair. “Militant Islam in the Nation and Beyond.” African American Intellectual Historical Society’s 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
- December 2019. Guest Speaker. “Freedom Summer 1964.” Second Saturdays, Free Minds, Austin, TX
- November 2019. Guest Lecturer. Course: “Women and Families in Africa and the Diaspora.” Professor Theodore Francis, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, TX
- April 2019. Panelist. Event: “Behind Bars, Across Borders: Mass Incarceration: From Texas to Palestine.” Palestine Solidarity Committee, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
- March 2019. Respondent. “Afro-Asian Radical Formations.” African American Intellectual History Society Annual Conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- November 2018. Respondent. “Re-orienting Puerto Rican Scholarship in the Wake of Disaster.” The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
- October 2018. Panelist. Event: “Inside the Ivory Tower: A Look into Diversity in Academia.” Multicultural Engagement Center, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
- June 2018. Invited Speaker. “Innovative Ways to Pursue Public History Careers.” Meeting with graduate students of color from the University of Delaware in the Public History doctoral program, Newark, DE

## **ADDITIONAL RESEARCH & WRITING PROJECTS**

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### **Fall 2010. The Transatlantic Slave Trade Film**

Conducted research for and wrote successful grant proposal and treatment for a four-hour PBS film and multi-platform series on the Transatlantic Slave Trade as part of the *America Revisited* project.

Capacity: Director of Finance & Special Projects, Firelight Media

### **Fall 2009. Africana Age Website**

Conducted archival research for photographs, images, and primary documents for a website on Africa and the African Diaspora from the 1880s to the present.

Capacity: Research Consultant, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture

Spring & Summer 2008. **Curriculum, Hot 8 Music Outreach Program**

Worked with members of the Hot 8 brass band to develop a curriculum on social justice and New Orleans brass band music history and culture. Facilitated group working sessions, conducted research, and co-wrote curriculum.

Capacity: Consultant, Young Peoples' Project (Finding Our Folks Project)

Spring 2008. **“From Concern to Action: A Look at Consumer Engagement to Advance Quality Health Care”**

Conducted interviews, secondary research, writing, and editing for comprehensive report for the California Endowment.

Capacity: Research Consultant, The Praxis Project

Spring 2008. **Evaluation, Community Engagement Campaign for *Hip Hop: Beyond Beats and Rhymes***

Conducted interviews, survey analysis, and media research to produce evaluation report on the community engagement campaign for the film *Hip Hop: Beyond Beats and Rhymes*.

Capacity: Communications Consultant, Firelight Media

Summer 2005 – Fall 2006. **“Urban Transformations: Youth Organizing in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Washington, DC”**

Managed writer, review committee, secondary research, and focus groups for report on youth organizing in the Northeast for the Funders' Collaborative on Youth Organizing.

Capacity: Communications and Outreach Manager, Funders' Collaborative on Youth Organizing

October 2001 – December 2002. **“From the Front Lines: Youth Organizers Speak”**

Directed national research project that included 400 surveys and 55 in-depth interviews for a report for the Rockefeller Foundation. Conducted 45 of the interviews and designed the survey instrument.

Capacity: Community Organizing and Research Associate, Listen, Inc.

Spring 1999 – Fall 2001. **Activist Women's Oral History Project**

Conducted research on individuals, organizations, and movements; interviewed women labor activists in New York City.

Capacity: Researcher, joint program between NYU and CUNY

## **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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### **Firelight Media/Firelight Films, New York, NY**

- February 2010 – February 2011. Director of Finance & Special Projects
- May 2005 – January 2010; March 2011 – October 2012. Communications and Outreach Consultant

### **Funders' Collaborative on Youth Organizing (FCYO), New York, NY**

- April – September 2007. Communications Consultant
- August 2005 – December 2006. Communications and Outreach Manager

### **Listen, Inc.**

- May 2004 – May 2005. National Staff/Knowledge Development Manager, Brooklyn, NY

- October 2001 – October 2002. Community Organizing & Research Associate, Washington, DC

**Sista II Sista/Hermana a Hermana Freedom School for Young Women of Color**, Brooklyn, NY

- October 2002 – April 2004. Open Society Foundations – Social Justice Fellow
- May 1996 – October 2001; May 2004 – June 2008, Co-Founder and Community Organizer

**Third World Within**, New York, NY

- March – September 2001. Coalition Staff

**Upward Bound Urban Scholars Program at City College**, New York, NY

- January – August 1998. Teacher

**Rockefeller Foundation**, New York, NY

- February – December 1997. Program Assistant

**Children’s Defense Fund**

- July 1996 – January 1997. New York Office Community Outreach Specialist, New York, NY
- October 1995 – July 1996. Field State Organizer, Black Student Leadership Network, Brooklyn, NY
- Summer 1992. Intern, Ella Baker Child Policy Training Institute, Raleigh, NC

**New York City Council, Office of Oversight and Investigation**, New York, NY

- Summer 1994. New York Urban Fellow, Government Scholars Program

**Rheedlen Centers for Children and Families** (now Harlem Children’s Zone), New York, NY

- Summer 1993. Field Staff for Harlem Freedom Schools

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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- 2023. Participant. Early Career and Racial Equity (E-CARE) Program, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ.
- 2021. Participant. Program for Early Career Excellence (PECE), Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ
- January 2020. Recipient. Mental Health First Aid Certificate, National Council for Behavioral Health, Austin, TX
- Fall 2019. Participant. Faculty Writing and Ethics Retreat, School of Undergraduate Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
- 2017 – 2018. Fellow. Public Voices: Op Ed Project, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
- Fall 2016. Fellow. Effective Performance Workshop Series, Brown University, Providence, RI
- Spring 2016. Participant. Building Future Faculty, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC
- 2014 – 2015. Fellow. Mellon Teaching Seminar on the Digital Humanities, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, NC

**AFFILIATIONS**

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- Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD)



- Association of Black Women Historians (ABWH)
- Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)
- African American Intellectual History Society (AAIHS)
- Organization of American Historians (OAH)
- Association of Caribbean Historians (ACH)