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2. “Home, Then and Now,” *The Caribbean Writer* 33 (2019).
3. “Follow the Lines You Drew,” *The Caribbean Writer* 33 (2019).
4. “Elegy for Allison Hull,” *Antigua and Barbuda Review of Books* (2019).

**KEYNOTES, INVITED, PUBLIC, AND CONFERENCE LECTURES**

*More than 500 lectures not included in this CV for the sake of space. A separate “Lectures CV” is available upon request.*

**CONFERENCES ORGANIZED AS PRESIDENT**

**OF THE CARIBBEAN PHILOSOPHICAL ASSOCIATION**

1 with Clevis Headley and Paget Henry, *Shifting the Geography of Reason I: The First Meeting of the Caribbean Philosophical Association*. May 2004

2 with Nelson Maldonado Torres, Clevis Headley, Marina Banchetti-Robino, and Paget Henry. Caribbean Philosophical Association II: *Shifting the Geography of Reason II*—*Gender, Religion, and Science*. Centro de Estudios Avanzados de Puerto Rico y el Caribe, Old San Juan, Puerto Rico. June 2005

3 with Sathya Rao, Françoise Naudillon, Clevis Headley, Marina Banchetti-Robino. Caribbean Philosophical Association III: *Shifting the Geography of Reason III*—*Aesthetics, Science, and Language*. Concordia University. Montreal, Canada. August 2006

4 with Tunde Bewaji, Carolyn Cooper, and Brian Meeks. Caribbean Philosophical Association IV: *Shifting the Geography of Reason IV* —*Intellectual Movements*. University of the West Indies at Mona, Jamaica. June 2007

5 with Françoise Naudillon. Caribbean Philosophical Association V: *Shifting the Geography of Reason V*—*Intellectual Movements.* Cité des Métiers, Le Raizet, Guadeloupe. June 2008

6 with Hanétha Vété-Congolo, Mouhamadou El Hady Ba, Oumar Dia, and Bado Ndoye, and the Executive Committee of the Caribbean Philosophical Association and La Société sénégalaise de philosophie. *Shifting the Geography of Reason XV: Ways of Knowing, Past and Future.* At the Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar (UCAD). Dakar, Sénégal. June 2018

**OTHER CO-ORGANIZED CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS**

1. *Fanon Today*, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana March 1995
2. North American and Cuban Philosophers and Social Scientists, University of Havana, June 1995
3. with Leonard Harris and William McBride, National Meeting, Radical Philosophy Association, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, November 1996
4. Society for Feminist Philosophers in Action, Brown University, Providence, RI October 1997
5. *The Racial State*, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, October 1998
6. Organized Institute for the Study of Race and Social Thought (ISRST) symposium on race and crime statistics. Speakers: John and Jean Comaroff, December 2004
7. ISRST symposium: *Transgressing Racial Sexual Boundaries in the 21st Century*. March 2005
8. ISRST conference, organized with Paul Taylor and Phil Alperson, *Africana Philosophy in Three Movements: African-American (Howard McGary), Afro-Caribbean (Paget Henry), and African (Nkiru Nzegwu)*. April 2005
9. ISRST conference, organized with Jane Gordon and Tony Monteiro, *Black Civil Society in American Political Life: A Conference in Honor of Martin Kilson*. September 2005
10. *Night of the Living Philosophers: Halloween Lectures*, with Nöel Carroll and Anne Eaton. October 2005
11. Co-organized, with Jane Anna Gordon, a special two-days talk on Brazil. Film *Ebony Goddess* and presentation by Angela Figueiredo and talk by Livio Sansone on the Frazier-Herskovits debate in the context of Brazil. February 2006
12. Co-organized, with Tom Meyer, *Heretical Nietzsche Studies*. April 2006
13. Co-organized the *Conversations Series*, which included Nigel Gibson, Hagi Kenaan, Judith Butler, Jonathan Judaken, Walter Mignolo. 2006–2008
14. with Ramón Grosfoguel, *Global Anti-Semitism*. Maison de l’homme, Paris, France, June 2007
15. Co-organized, with Laura Levitt, *Race and Judaism*. November 2007
16. with Ramón Grosfoguel, *Global Antiblack Racism*. Maison de l’homme, Paris, France, June 2008
17. Co-organized, with Laura Levitt, *Race and Judaism: Diversity in Contemporary Jewish Life*. October 2008
18. Co-organized, with Laura Levitt and Ariella Werden, *Race and Judaism: In Every Tongue—in Memory of Gary Tobin.* November 2009
19. Co-organized, with Ariella Werden, Vincent Beavers, and Tal Correm, *A Symposium in Honor of Professor Jitendra Mohanty*. April 2010
20. Co-organized, with Ariella Werden, *Race and Judaism: Lost Tribes*. November 2010
21. Co-organized, with Elliot Ratzman and Ariella Werden, *Race and Judaism: Passing*. November 2011
22. with Prafulla Kar and Narendra K. Jain, *XIV International Conference of the Forum on Contemporary Theory (Baroda): “Transcending Disciplinary Decadence: Exploring Challenges of Teaching, Scholarship, and Research in the Humanities and the Social Sciences.”* Plenaries and 132 academic papers. Jaipur, India, December 2011
23. with Gabriel Markus, *New Developments in Existentialism*. Université Toulouse Jean Jaurès, France. September 2012
24. with Margaret Simons, Jane Anna Gordon, Matt Eshleman, Bryan Lueck, and Debbie Mann, *Diverse Lineages of Existentialism and Shifting the Geography of Reason XI*. St. Louis, Missouri. June 2014
25. with Jane Anna Gordon and Dana Miranda. *Race and Anarchy*. UCONN. March 2015
26. with Mpho Matsipa. [*Decolonizing the City*.](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TWTWNNcs5ic)  Studio X Johannesburg in Partnership with the Wits City Institute Eyethu Lifestyle Centre. Soweto, South Africa. October 2015:
27. with Jane Anna Gordon, Aaron Kamugsha, and Neil Roberts. *Celebrating Paget Henry’s 70th Year*. The Brooklyn Commons. Brooklyn, NY. April 2016.
28. with Hanétha Vété-Congolo, Hady Ba, and Oumar Dia. Changer la géographie de la raison XV / Shifting the Geography of Reason XV: *Modes de savoir, passé et présent / Ways of Knowing, Past and Present.* Caribbean Philosophical Association and La Société sénégalaise de philosophie (SOSEPHI). Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar (UCAD). Dakar, Sénégal. June, 2018
29. with Michael Cohen, Laura Leibman, Ilana McQuinn, Golan Moskowitz, Britt Tevis, and Dara Goldman. American Jewish Historical Society: [2022 Biennial Scholars’ Conference](https://ajhs.org/scholars-conference). Tulane University. New Orleans, LA. May 15–17, 2022

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

2023– **Board of Trustees Distinguished Professor** of Philosophy and Global Affairs, University of Connecticut

2022– **Adjunct Professor**, University of Fort Hare, Alice and East London, South Africa

2022 **Part-time Research Professor*,*** Philosophy Department,Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA

2021– **Visiting Professor,** Philosophy Department, University of Johannesburg, South Africa

2020–2025 **Head,** Philosophy Department, UCONN at Storrs, CT. Achievements thus far can be seen in the [diversity of the core faculty and affiliates](https://philosophy.uconn.edu/faculty/) (which include a few historic firsts at UCONN), reorganization of subfields to highlight the intellectual range of the Department, expanding and strengthening affiliations across the University (with varieties of schools, programs, institutes, departments, and centers) and in similar kind across the globe, creating a competitive graduate funding structure, introducing multilingual learning and translation, and placing addressing twenty-first century intellectual and institutional challenges as part of the Department’s mission

2018– **Summer (January) Faculty,** Decolonial Summer School, University of South Africa. Pretoria, South Africa

2017– **Core Honorary Professor**, Global Center for Advanced Studies, Dublin, Ireland; St. Erme, France; New York, USA; Sydney, Australia

2017– **Honorary Professor** (UHURU), Unit of the Humanities at Rhodes University, South Africa

2018 **Summer Faculty,** Critical Theory Summer School, Institute for the Humanities. Birkbeck University. London, UK

2014–2015. **Nelson Mandela Distinguished Visiting Professor**. Department of Politics and International Studies. Rhodes University, Makhanda (formerly Grahamstown), South Africa

2013–2019. **European Union Visiting Chair in Philosophy** at Université Toulouse Jean Jaurès, France

2013– **Professor with tenure** of Philosophy with affiliations in the Center for Judaic Studies and Jewish Life, El Instituto of Latina/o, Caribbean, Latin American Studies, Asian and Asian American Studies, Global Studies, and Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (2019–) at UCONN-Storrs, CT

2004–2013. **Laura H. Carnell Professor** of Philosophy, with tenure. Temple University, Philadelphia,

PA. Affiliations in the Department of African American Studies, Program in Jewish Studies, and Department of Religion with committee work and advising for doctoral students in English,

Political Science, Sociology, and the School of Dance (for dance theory)

**Founder and Director** of both the Institute for the Study of Race and Social Thought and the Center for Afro-Jewish Studies. Accomplishments included annual conferences on Afro-Jewish Thought, annual conferences and symposia on race and social thought, a series of research working papers dossier on the study of race and social thought, co-organizing a film series addressing social and political issue on race and social thought, collaborations with Be’chol Lashon and other organizations devoted to the promotion and understanding of Jewish diversity worldwide, collaborations with organizations devoted to theories in the global south, community initiatives for bringing critical diversity studies into public schools, organizing support for junior faculty working in these areas of research, and mentoring undergraduates and doctoral students in these areas of research

2010 (Spring). **Jay Newman Visiting Professor** of Philosophy of Culture. Philosophy Department, Brooklyn College, City University of New York. Brooklyn, NY

2001–2003. **Chairperson** of the Department of Africana Studies and Professor of Africana

* Studies, Brown University, Providence, RI. **Major achievements:** transformed a program of only one female faculty member and six males into a department with six women and seven men from a variety of racial backgrounds; organized an innovative structure of theory, history, and arts; developed initiatives that grew the concentration (through a reputation for having an innovative and challenging curriculum) to more than 100 students; established international links in the Africa, the Caribbean, and South America; and set the groundwork for the now successful (100 percent placement) doctoral program; achieved salary equity not only for the faculty but also the staff; recruited distinguished international visiting senior faculty; developed, through community liaisons and workshops, the Department’s relationship with the local Wampanoag community (many of whom are Afro-First Nation peoples); added a musical component to Rites & Reason Theater

1999–2001. **Director** of Afro-American Studies, Brown University. **Major achievements:** led the

transformation of the program into the Department of Africana Studies; recruited 23 faculty color to the university in the 1998–1999 year while serving as Chairperson of the Committee for Recruitment and Retention of Minority Faculty

1998–2011. **Visiting Professor** of Political Thought in the School of Government and the

Department of Language, Linguistics, and Philosophy at the University of the West Indies at Mona, Jamaica

* 1998. **Visiting Professor** of African and African American Studies at Yale University,
* New Haven, CT

1998–2004. **Professor with tenure** of Africana Studies, Contemporary Religious Thought, and

Modern Culture and Media, with affiliation in Latin American Studies, Brown University, Providence, RI. **This appointment was transformed into Professor of Africana Studies when the Afro-American Studies Program was departmentalized in 2001**

1997–1998. **Associate Professor** of Afro-American Studies, Contemporary Religious Thought, Modern Culture and Media, with affiliation in Latin-American Studies. Brown University, Providence, RI

1996. **Assistant Professor** of Afro-American Studies and Contemporary Religious Thought, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island

1996–1997. **Associate Professor with tenure** of Philosophy and African American Studies, and English and Philosophy Doctoral Committee, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

1993–1995. **Assistant Professor** of Philosophy and African American Studies, and member of the English and Philosophy Doctoral Committee, Purdue University

1987–1989. **Founding Director of the Second Chance Program**. Lehman High School, Bronx, NY. Program designed for in-school truant (75 in number). The expected success rate (students achieving their high school diploma) was 10 percent; the program averaged an 85 percent success rate. Innovations included team-based critical pedagogy, which maximized student participation in curriculum development; initiated computer science addition to the curriculum before it became a feature of high schools; created an integrative structure that brought writing, logic, philosophy, history, literature, and the natural sciences together; and utilized the city as a classroom through field trips; organized a team of a social worker and psychologist to address the needs of the students as they were backgrounds of severe trauma; effectiveness of the program led to teachers from mathematics to social studies volunteering to teach in the program

1985–1989. **NYC Secondary School Social Studies Teacher**. First as a per diem and then as a regular teacher at Lehman High School, Bronx, NYC. Taught courses in history and politics. As successful NYC teachers’ classes had a 60 percent attendance rate and mine had a 98 percent attendance rate, I was recruited to create a special program, which I organized as the Second Chance Program.

**ADVISING, EXAMINER, AND MENTORING**

***Habilitation Examiner***

Dr. [Jean-Paul Rocchi](http://imager.u-pec.fr/membres/enseignants-chercheurs/rocchi-jean-paul-541504.kjsp), American Literatures, the Université Paris VII Diderot. 2007

(Now Full Professor at the Université Paris-Est Marne-la-Vallée)

Dr. Hourya Bentouhami, Université Toulouse II Jean Jaurès, ERRAPHIS Philosophie Department. 2020

Dr. Matthieu Renault, département de philosophie, Université Paris 8. 2023

***Doctoral Advising***

**Birkbeck School of Law, London, UK**

*External reader:* [Enrique Alberto Prieto Rios](https://www.urosario.edu.co/Profesores/Listado-de-profesores/P/Prieto-Rios-Enrique-Alberto/) (Jurisprudence), Ph.D., May 2017. “Thinking International Investment Law: From Colonialism to International Systemic Violence”

Now Director of Research and Profesor Asociado at the Law Faculty in Universidad del Rosario in Bogotá

**Brown University, Providence, RI**

*Dissertation Supervisor*: [Shahara Brooking-Drew](http://www1.assumption.edu/faculty/english/drew-shahara/) (American Civilization), Ph.D. 2001. Dissertation explored dynamics of canon formation in African-American literature. Independent scholar. Recently Visiting Assistant Professor at Assumption College

*Dissertation Supervisor:* [Claudia Milian](https://scholars.duke.edu/person/claudia.milian) (American Civilization), Ph.D., *with distinction*, 2001. Dissertation argued for a convergence of African American and Latino Studies in the construction of American literature because of their theoretical foundational models of double consciousness and borderlands. Professor of Romance Studies at Duke University

*Dissertation Supervisor:* [Nelson Maldonado-Torres](https://philosophy.uconn.edu/person/nelson-maldonado-torres/) (Contemporary Religious Thought), Ph.D., *with distinction*, 2002. Dissertation focused on philosophy of liberation through the thought of Emmanuel Lévinas, Frantz Fanon, and Enrique Dussel. Now Professor of Philosophy, UCONN-Storrs. Previously Professor of Latin American Studies and Comparative Literature at Rutgers University (2008–2022) and former President of the Caribbean Philosophical Association (2008–2013). Previously Associate Professor (with tenure), Ethnic Studies, the University of California at Berkeley and Assistant Professor of Religion at Duke University

*Dissertation co-supervisor*, with Michael Harper: [Rowan Ricardo Phillips](https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/english/people/phillips.php#Biography) (English), Ph.D., *with distinction*, 2003. Advances a theory of Africana poetics through an analysis of allegory, death, and repetition in the blues and African-American poetry. Professor of English at the State University of New York at Stony Brook and Adjunct Associate Professor in the Graduate Poetry Writing Program, Columbia University.

*Dissertation co-supervisor*, with Mary Ann Doane: [Guy Mark Foster](https://www.bowdoin.edu/faculty/g/gmfoster/) (English), Ph.D. (2003). Dissertation examines Post World War II African-American novels exploring interracial heterosexual, bisexual, homosexual, and lesbian relationships. Associate Professor (with tenure) of English at Bowdoin College; formerly taught at the University of California at Santa Barbara

*Second Reader:* [Katherine Witzig](https://www.swic.edu/academics/academic-divisions/liberal-arts/faculty-and-staff/) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 1999. Dissertation on concepts of race and racism. Professor of Philosophy at Southwestern Illinois College:

*Second Reader*: [Brian Locke](https://u-tokyo.academia.edu/BrianLocke) (American Civilization), Ph.D. 2000. Dissertation focused on Asian American Identity in Critical Race Theory. Now on faculty at The University of Tokyo

*Second Reader:* [Stefan Wheelock](https://english.gmu.edu/people/swheeloc) (English), Ph.D. 2001. Dissertation on Black Republicanism in the 18th Century. Associate Professor of English at George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

*Second Reader:* [James Manigault-Bryant](http://africana-studies.williams.edu/profile/jm6/) (Sociology), Ph.D., spring 2002. Ethnography of the “calling” that brought black preachers’ to their ministry. Professor of Africana Studies at Williams College, Williamstown, MA

*Second Reader*: [Randy Friedman](http://bingweb.binghamton.edu/~friedman/) (Contemporary Religious Thought), Ph.D., 2005. (Was also undergraduate honors thesis advisor in philosophy for this student at Yale University.) Dissertation explores American Pragmatists’ conception of religious experience. Director of the Center for Israel Studies and Associate Professor (with tenure) in Judaic Studies and Comparative Literature at Binghamton University

*Third Reader:* [Elisabeth Armstrong](http://www.smith.edu/swg/faculty_armstrong.php) (English), Ph.D. 1999. Dissertation on the dialectics of feminist practice in postmodern thought. Professor of English and Director of the Program for the Study of Women and Gender at Smith College, North Hampton, MA

**California Institute of Integral Studies, San Francisco, CA**

*External Reader:* [Peter Avanti](https://www.uniba.it/ricerca/dipartimenti/lelia/Personale/Collaboratori%20esperti%20linguistici/avanti-peter) (Transformative Learning and Change), Ph.D. 2008: “Modernity *Legato*: Black, White, and Blues.” *Lettori* at the University of Bari, in Italy

**Clemson University, Clemson, SC**

*External Reader:* [Michelle Dacus Carr](https://www.alasu.edu/admissions/faculty-experts) (Rhetorics, Communication, and Information Design), Ph.D. 2010: “Black and White and Read in Profile: The *Silhouette* as Race Rhetoric in Flannery O’Connor and Kara Walker.” Associate Professor of English and Humanities, Alabama State University, Montgomery, AL

**Graduate Center of the City University of New York (CUNY)**

*External Reader:* [H. Alexander Welcome](https://www.laguardia.edu/SocialScience/Faculty-and-Staff/) (Sociology) Ph.D. 2010: “‘Colored People’s Time’: Praxis and Temporality in the Stand-up Performances of Richard Pryor and Jackie ‘Moms’ Mabley.” Assistant Professor, Sociology, LaGuardia Community College, Queens, NY

**L’École des Hautes Études, Paris, France**

*Doctoral committee member:* [Matthieu Renault](https://philosophie.univ-paris8.fr/spip.php?article1215), Political Philosophy doctoral dissertation on Frantz Fanon and postcolonial language. Currently Maître de conférences en philosophie contemporaine et anthropologie critique au département de philosophie (lecturer in contemporary philosophy and critical anthropology in the philosophy department) de l'Université Paris 8.

**Federal University of Bahia, Brazil**

*Committee member:* [Rosemere Ferreira da Silva](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MJDRxJYA1oE) (Programa de Pós-Graduaçao em Estudos Étnicos e Africanos [Pós-Afro] / Ethnic Studies) Ph.D. 2010: “Trajetórias de Dois Intelectuais Negros Brasileiros: Abdias Nascimento e Milton Santos.” Professor at the Universidade do Estado da Bahia (UNEB)

**Federal University of São Carlos, Brazil**

*Committee member:*  [Deivison Mendes Faustino](http://www.escavador.com/sobre/6068815/deivison-mendes-faustino) (Deivison Nkosi) (Sociology), Ph.D. 2015: “’Por que Fanon? Por que agora?’: Frantz Fanon e os fanonismos no Brasil.” Associate Professor at the Universidade Federal de São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil

**Global Center for Advanced Studies**

*Committee member:* [Mark Stimson](https://www.miu.edu/sustainable-and-regenerative-living/faculty/mark-stimson), Ph.D., 2020): “Hacking the Juggernaut: A Systems-based Approach to Dismantling Hyper-capitalism and Realigning Civilization.” Chair of the Department of Sustainable & Regenerative Living, Maharishi International University, Fairfield, Iowa

*Committee member:* [Dylan Lackey](https://gcas.ie/dylan-lackey) (M.A., 2021): “On the Reproduction of Anti-Blackness: Regarding the Absent-Presence of Blackness in Althusserian Interpellation.”

*Supervisor*: Samantha Kostmayer Sulaiman (Ph.D. in progress).

**Harvard University, Cambridge, MA**

*Doctoral committee:* [Funlayo Wood](https://funlayophd.com/) (African and African American Studies), Ph.D. 2017. “Objects and Immortals: The Life of Obi in Ifa-Orisa Religion.” Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Black Studies Research, University of California at Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA

**The Institute for Doctoral Studies in the Visual Arts (IDSVA), Portland, ME**

*Dissertation Advisor:* [Sandra Hope Stephens](https://www.mwpai.edu/about-prattmwp/faculty/sandra-hope-stephens/) (Visual Arts Theory), Ph.D. 2022. “The *I* ?: Decolonizing the *I* Through Art and Emdisemodiment.” Associate Professor of Time and Motion Arts at PrattMWP in Utica, NY

**Malaviya National Institute of Technology in Jaipur, India**

*External Reader*: [Ritu Pareek](https://in.linkedin.com/in/dr-ritu-pareek-53a3a8144) (English Literature), Ph.D. 2014. “Questioning of Patriarchal Narration and Female Subjugation in Angela Carter’s Short Stories.” Assistant Professor of Management, Birla Institute of Technology, Mesra, Jharkhand, India

**Pacifica Graduate Institute, Carpinteria, CA**

*Committee Member:* [Deanne Bell](https://www.ntu.ac.uk/staff-profiles/social-sciences/deanne-bell) (Psychology), Ph.D. 2011. “Ode to the Downpressors.” Understanding Jamaicans Relationship to Violence. Senior Lecturer in Psychology, Nottingham Trent University, Nottingham, UK

*Committee Member:* [Ipek S. Burnett](http://www.linkedin.com/pub/ipek-s-burnett/47/399/877) (Depth Psychology), Ph.D. 2014. “The Violence of Innocence: A Critical Archetypal Inquiry into the American Psyche”

<http://www.linkedin.com/pub/ipek-s-burnett/47/399/877>

**Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN**

*Third reader on the committee for these scholars:*

[Richard Burton](http://www.seattlecentral.edu/humss/faculty.php%20and%20https:/www.linkedin.com/in/richard-burton-2b203646) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 1995. Dissertation on feminist theory. Associate Professor (with tenure) of Philosophy at Seattle Central Community College and Political Action Coordinator, Washington State Nurses Association

[Samuel Imbo](https://piperline.hamline.edu/pls/prod/hamdirectory.P_DisplayDirectoryNames?type=E&search_lastname=Imbo&search_firstname=Samuel) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 1995. Dissertation on communitarianism. Now Professor in Philosophy and African American Studies at Hamline University

[Thomas Spademan](http://www.lulu.com/spotlight/ThomasBSpademan%20and%20http:/catalog.mcc.edu/content.php?catoid=3&navoid=75) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 1996. Dissertation on dialectical method in jurisprudence. Professor of Philosophy at Mott Community College

[Natalija Mičinovič](http://www.idn.org.rs/cv/Natalija_Micunovic_srp.htm) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 1996. Dissertation on Habermas and nationalism. Now [Research fellow](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Research-fellow/106056602759360) at [Institut za filozofiju i društvenu teoriju](https://www.facebook.com/instifdt/), [Director (company)](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Director-company/114400818575820) at [Hedone Publishing](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Hedone-Publishing/779763358715617) and [Research Fellow](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Research-Fellow/835008469894000) at [Institut društvenih nauka Beograd / Institute of Social Sciences Belgrade](https://www.facebook.com/Institut-dru%C5%A1tvenih-nauka-Beograd-Institute-of-Social-Sciences-Belgrade-211421362252083/). Former Minister, Sector for Gender Equality, Ministry of Labour and Social Policy in Serbia, Associate Research Fellow at the Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, and Visiting Lecturer at the Department of Political Science, University of Belgrade

**Rice University, Houston, TX**

*External Reader:* [Biko Gray](http://thecollege.syr.edu/people/faculty/pages/rel/gray-biko.html) (Religion), Ph.D. 2017. “Enfleshing the Subject: Race and Religion in the Development of Subjectivity.” Assistant Professor of Religion, Syracuse University

**Roskilde University, Roskilde, Sweden**

*External Reader:* [Julia Suàrez-Krabbe](http://forskning.ruc.dk/site/en/persons/julia-surezkrabbe%2807eecd6d-cffc-4626-8dd2-f71ee3bf69ea%29.html) (Anthropology, Cultural Encounters), Ph.D. 2011. Postdoctoral Fellowship Centro de Estudos Sociais, Portugal (2011–2012). Associate Professor (with tenure), Intercultural Studies and Communication Arts, Roskilde University, Denmark

**Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ**

*External Reader:* [Kenneth Michael Panfilio](http://pol.illinoisstate.edu/files/coins/profile/kpanfil) (Political Science), Ph.D. 2007. Dissertation on Kant’s, Marx’s, Heidegger’s, and Adorno’s treatments of alienation and their relevance to contemporary conceptions of exploitation and human value. Assistant Professor of Political Science at Illinois State University

**Teacher’s College, Columbia University, NYC**

*External reader*: [A. Kayum Ahmed](https://www.law.columbia.edu/faculty/kayum-ahmed) (Cultural Education), Ph.D. 2019. Dissertation: “The rise of Fallism: #RhodesMustFall and the Movement to Decolonize the University.” Lecturer in Law at Columbia University Law School and Division Director at the Open Society Foundations, NYC

**Temple University, Philadelphia, PA**

*Dissertation Supervisor*:

[Jack Kerwick](https://www.rcbc.edu/directory/faculty/jack-kerwick), “Toward a Conservative Liberalism,” Ph.D., Philosophy, Temple University, 2007. Conservative columnist, political commentator, and currently Assistant Professor of Communication and Humanities at Rowan College at Burlington County

[Nikolaus Fogle](https://library.villanova.edu/about-falvey/contact-us/staff/nikolaus-fogle), “The Social Space of Bourdieu,” Ph.D., Philosophy, Temple University, 2009. Philosophy Librarian, Villanova University

[Hien Luong](https://www.linkedin.com/in/hien-luong-0620b716) (Philosophy), Ph.D., 2009 “Vietnamese Existential Philosophy: A Critical Appraisal.” Now Vice Director General of Department of International Cooperation and Founding Executive Director of Vietnam’s Center for Women in Politics and Public Administration at Ho Chi Minh National Academy of Politics in Hanoi, Vietnam

[Don Baldino](https://library.temple.edu/about/staff/don-baldino) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2010: “An Ethical Egoist View of Rights.” Evening Librarian, Temple University Library, Ambler Campus

[Joseph Farrell](https://www.loyola.edu/academics/philosophy/faculty) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2010: “An Anthropology of Health: A Study in the Philosophy of Jans Jonas.” Currently Assistant Teaching Professor, Philosophy Department, Loyola University of Maryland

[Danielle LaSusa](http://bhsec.bard.edu/queens/faculty/) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2010: “Bad Faith and Check-List Tourism.” Now teaching in Portland, Oregon (moved for family reasons). Formerly teacher, Bard High School Early College, and Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities, Philosophy, and Foreign Languages, Southern Minnesota State University

[Lucy Collins-Payne](https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2019/09/18/college-award-tenure) (Philosophy, Ph.D. 2011), “Fashion and Personal Identity.” Tenured Associate Professor of Philosophy, Fashion Institute of Technology, State University of New York. NYC

[Rabbi Walter Isaac](https://jsli.net/mazal-tov-to-rabbi-walter-isaac/) (Religion, Ph.D. 2011), “White Gods, Black Hebrews.” Currently Rabbi and Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Humanities in the School of Fine Arts, Humanities, and Wellness at Savannah State University. Savannah, GA

[Lior Levy](https://haifa.academia.edu/LiorLevy), “Memory in Sartre’s Early Philosophy” (Ph.D. 2011). Associate Professor of Philosophy at Haifa University, Israel, 2013–. Avalon Postdoctoral Fellow (2014). Pratt Postdoctoral Fellow, Ben Gurion University (2013–2014)

[Vincent Beave](http://www.jigsaw.com/scid41176207/vincent_beaver.xhtml)r (Philosophy, Ph.D. 2012), “Sartre on World Alienation.” Adjunct instructor of humanities, Northampton Community College

(co-advisor) [Greg Graham](https://ou.edu/cas/afam/faculty-staff/dr--greg-graham) (Ph.D. in Political Science, 2012), “Postcolonial Tragedy: Jamaica and South Africa in Comparative Perspective.”

Associate Professor and Departmental Chair of African and African-American Studies, University of Oklahoma, Norman

[Douglass Ficek](http://www.newhaven.edu/Faculty-Staff-Profiles/Douglas-Ficek/) (Philosophy, Ph.D. 2013), “Man Is a Yes: Fanon, Liberation, and the Playful Politics of Philosophical Archaeology.”

Senior Lecturer of Philosophy, University of New Haven.

[Devon Johnson](http://aribbeanphilosophicalassociation.org/) (Philosophy, Ph.D. 2013), “A Philosophical Analysis of Nihilism and Antiblack Racism.” Assistant Teaching Professor, Department of Philosophy and Religion, University of Tampa. Tampa, FL

[Tal Correm](http://liberalstudies.nyu.edu/about/faculty-listing/tal-correm.html) (Philosophy, Ph.D. 2014), “From Force to Political Power: Frantz Fanon, M.K. Gandhi, and Hannah Arendt on Violence, Political Action, and Ethics.” Clinical Assistant Professor of Liberal Studies, New York University

[Qrescent Mason](https://www.haverford.edu/philosophy/faculty-staff) (Philosophy, Ph.D., 2014), “An Ethics of the Erotic: A Study in the Philosophy of Simone de Beauvoir.” Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Haverford College

[Jina Fast](https://www.hampshire.edu/academics/faculty/jina-fast) (Philosophy, Ph.D. 2014), “Engendering Subjectivity: A Study in the Philosophy of Simone de Beauvoir” Hegel’s dialectic of Lord and Bondsman through the philosophy of Simone de Beauvoir. SHIFT Assistant Professor of Applied Ethics and the Common Good, Hampshire College

*Committee Member*:

Brian Foley (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2008, dissertation on Straussian and analytical

philosophical approaches to the reading of Plato’s *Phaedo*

[Weldon McWilliams](http://www.sunydutchess.edu/academics/departments/historygovernmentandeconomics/hgefaculty.html) (African American Studies), Ph.D. 2010, dissertation on the Shrine of the

Black Madonna. Associate Professor of History at Dutchess Community College; [Visiting](file:///Users/lewis/Documents/Lewis Gordon's cv's/L-GORDON-CVs 2021/Clinical Assistant Professor in Liberal Studies at New York University)

[Associate Professor and Chair of Black Studies](file:///Users/lewis/Documents/Lewis Gordon's cv's/L-GORDON-CVs 2021/Clinical Assistant Professor in Liberal Studies at New York University), SUNY-New Paltz

[Edward Avery-Natal](http://www.mccc.edu/welcome_faculty_staff_dir_offices_div2.shtml) (Sociology, Ph.D. 2012). Dissertation: “Narrative Identifications among Anarcho-Punks in Philadelphia.” Assistant Professor of Sociology at Mercer Community College

[Sue Spaid](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sue_Spaid) (Philosophy, Ph.D. 2013), dissertation on the philosophy of curatorial practice.

Curator

[Tony Williams](https://www.linkedin.com/in/tony-williams-2b27b314) (English Department, Ph.D. 2013). Dissertation on black writings in

Victorian England. Instructor, English Department, Montclair State University

[Nicole Cesare](https://ccca.rowan.edu/ccca-facultybios/nicole-cesare.html) (English Department, Ph.D. 2014). Dissertation on cartographies of the African novel. Professor of Communication and Creative Arts, Rowan University, Glassboro, NJ

*External Reader:*

[Renee Eugenia McKenzie](http://www.churchoftheadvocate.org/the-vicarchaplain.html) (Department of Religion), Ph.D. 2005. Dissertation outlined a

womanist philosophy through a reconciliation of the thought of Emmanuel Levinas and Lewis Gordon. Reverend of Calvary Episcopal Church, NL, Philadelphia

[Ross Gay](https://english.indiana.edu/about/faculty/gay-ross.html) (Department of English), Ph.D. 2006. Dissertation examines fictional representation of Black/White interracial desire from 1894 to 2001. Professor of English and Director of Creative Writing Program at The University of Indiana at Bloomington. Achievements include

[Fran Lassiter](https://www.linkedin.com/in/fran-lassiter-9750aa1) (English), Ph.D. 2006. Dissertation focused on the value of translated and

oral texts in African American literature. Associate Professor of English, Montgomery County Community College, Blue Bell, PA

[Nelson Rivera](https://ltsp.edu/NelsonRivera) (Department of Religion), Ph.D. 2006. Dissertation is an exploration of Mary Midgley’s philosophy of science and its relevance to theology. Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Hispanic Ministry and Director of the Latino Concentration at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia

[Leslie Elkins](https://cpa.rowan.edu/theatre_dance/facultyStaff/elkins-leslie.html) (Dance), Ph.D. 2007. Dissertation is a phenomenological hermeneutical study of choreography and performance. Associate Professor and Dance Coordinator, Department of Theatre and Dance, Rowan University

[Lynn Johnson](https://www.dickinson.edu/homepage/204/africana_studies_department_faculty) (English), Ph.D. 2007. Dissertation on traumas of the Middle Passage. Associate Professor of Africana Studies at Dickinson College

[Alba Pedreira Vieira](http://www.dan.ufv.br/?page_id=350) (Dance), Ph.D. 2007. Dissertation on developing a philosophy of

teaching dance through a phenomenology of movement. Now Professor at the Federal

University de Vicosa

[Joan Grassbaugh](https://www.thedogabidesllc.com/) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2008, dissertation on subjectivity and the body and

its relevance to a feminist philosophy of sports. Owner of The Dog Abides, LLC

[Seónagh Odhiambo](http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/musictheatredance/odhiambo.php) [Kummer] (Dance), Ph.D. 2008. Dissertation on Luo women’s dance: “A Conversation with Dance History: Movement and Meaning in the Cultural Body.” Associate Professor, Department of Theatre, Speech, and Dance, California State University, Los Angeles:

[Gabriella Kecskes](https://liberalarts.temple.edu/academics/faculty/kecskes-gabriella) (English), Ph.D. 2009. Dissertation: “Representations of the

Nation through Corporeal Narrativity in Contemporary Multicultural British

Fiction.” Associate Professor of Instruction, English Department, Temple

University

[Alex Melonas](https://temple.academia.edu/AlexMelonas) (Political Science), Ph.D. 2015, Temple University. Dissertation: “Situated Animals: A Critique of Social Constructivist Excesses in Political Theory.” Assistant Professor, Intellectual Heritage, Temple University

**University of California at Santa Cruz**

*Dissertation Committee Member:* Mumia Abu Jamal (History of Consciousness), topic: Frantz

Fanon.

**University of Connecticut, Storrs, USA**

*Dissertation Supervisor:* [Colena Sesanker](https://www.ct.edu/regents/members/Colena_Sesanker) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2017. “Self-Respect and Social Roles:  A Critical Study of the Duty to Resist Oppression.” Tenured Associate Professor of Philosophy, Gateway Community College, New Haven, CT

*Dissertation Supervisor:* [Thomas Meagher](https://sites.google.com/view/thomasmeagherphilosophy/) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2018. Topic: “Maturity in a Human World: A Philosophical Study.” [Assistant Professor of Philosophy](https://www.shsu.edu/academics/psychology-and-philosophy/philosophy/Faculty.html), Psychology, and Religion at Sam Houston University, Huntsville, TX

*Dissertation Supervisor:* [Dana Francisco Miranda](https://www.danafmiranda.com/) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2019. “Approaching Cadavers: A Philosophical Consideration of Suicide and Depression in the Africana Diaspora.” Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Massachusetts at Boston

*Dissertation Co-Supervisor:* [Derefe Chevannes](https://www.memphis.edu/polisci/people/faculty_and_staff/derefe-chevannes.php) (Political Science), Ph.D. 2019. “Modernity’s Undertone: On Reconceptualizing Political Speech.” Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Memphis, Memphis, TN

*Dissertation Supervisor:* [Darian Spearman](https://www.gonzaga.edu/college-of-arts-sciences/faculty-listing/detail/spearman) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2022. Topic: “Mythic Thought and the Crisis of Reason.” Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Gonzaga University. Spokane, WA

*Dissertation Co-supervisor*: Mary Gregg (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2022. “No Funny Business: The Untold Help of Harmful Visual Jokes.” Lecturer: Underwood International College, Yonsei University, South Korea

*Dissertation Supervisor:* [Phillip Barron](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phillip_Barron) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2022. Topic: “Narrative and Aesthetic Personal Identity.”

Postdoctoral Fellow of Philosophy, Lewis & Clark College.

*Dissertation Supervisor:* [Mandy Long](https://www.ccri.edu/faculty_staff/socsci/mlong9/) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2023. Topic: “Conceptualizing Work.”

Assistant Professor of Philosophy in the Department of Social Sciences, Community College of Rhode Island.

*Committee Member:* [Alycia LaGuardia-LoBianco](https://www.gvsu.edu/philosophy/alycia-laguardia-lobianco-profile-150.htm) (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2018. “The Ethical Implications of the Value of Suffering.” Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI

*Committee Member:* Stephen Del Visco (Political Science), Ph.D. 2018. “*National Review* and White Racial Identity Politics in U.S. Conservatism”

*Committee Member:* [Josué López](https://www.education.pitt.edu/people/JosueLopez) (Curriculum and Instruction, Education), Ph.D. 2020. “Mobility, Indigeneity, and the Creolizing Classroom.” Assistant Professor of Education, University of Pittsburgh

*Committee Member:* [Elena Sada](https://www.easternct.edu/faculty-directory/sada.html) (Curriculum and Instruction, Education, PhD 2020). Dissertation: “A Systems-Thinking Study on Feedback-Loops Affecting Latino Male Adolescents’ Identities and Self-Advocacy in Connection to Career Preparation.” Assistant Professor of Education at Eastern Connecticut State University

*Committee Member:* Kristin Culbertson (Philosophy), Ph.D. 2021. ““Escape from Suffering: A Buddhist Approach to Feminist Questions.” [Visiting Assistant Professor](https://catalog.fairfield.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/directory/) of Philosophy at Fairfield University

*Committee Member:* Gregory Doukas (Political Science). Ph.D., 2022. “Political Responsibility in Tumultuous Times.” Postdoctoral Fellow, Political Science, University of Memphis. 2022–2023.

*Committee Member:* Patricia Rourke (Curriculum and Instruction, Education), Ph.D., 2022. “The Role of Radical Love in the Transformation of Social Relationships and Education Systems.”

*Committee Member:* Brooks William Kirchgassner (Political Science), Ph.D., 2024. “Enemies of the State: Poor Whites, Black Power, and the Politics of Solidarity.”

*Committee Member:* Yuhan Liang (Philosophy), Ph.D., 2024. “Diverse virtues and Universal Values—A Confucian exemplarist approach to virtue cultivation.”

*Committee Member:*  Stephanie Mercado-Izarry (Ph.D., 2024). “Accionalidad descolonial en la narrativa contemporánea y el arte urbano puertorriqueño: Desvelando subjetividades políticas racializadas e insurgentes.”

**University of Johannesburg**

*External Examiner:* Sarah Dikhutso Setlaelo (Ph.D., 2023): “An Existential Phenomenology of Black Female Difference: Extending the Reach of Mabogo P. More’s Politics of Being”

**University of Leeds**

*External examiner:* Charles-Henry des Portes de La Fosse (Politics and International Studies). Ph.D., 2023. “Freedom Precedes Liberation Hannah Arendt, Feminism, Coloniality”

**University of Memphis**

*Committee Member:* Morgan Elbot (Ph.D., 2024, Philosophy): “Thinking in Relation to Method: Metaphilosophical Reflections on Philosophy’s Orientation to Methodology”

**University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa**

*External Reader:* [Joel Malesela Modiri](https://www.up.ac.za/jurisprudence/article/2244500/dr-joel-m-modiri) (Jurisprudence), Ph.D. 2018. Dissertation: “The Jurisprudence of Steve Biko: Studies in Race, Law and Power in the ‘Afterlife’ of Colonial-apartheid.” Senior Lecturer in the Department of Jurisprudence at the University of Pretoria, SA

**University of South Africa, Pretoria, South Africa**

*External Reader:* [Mabogo P. More](http://www.theconmag.co.za/2015/04/30/more-than-a-black-philosopher/) (Philosophy and Literature), Ph.D. 2005. Dissertation examines the phenomenon of racism through an analysis of Sartre’s notion of contingency and the impact of his work on social and political thought in Africana social and political thought with an emphasis on Southern Africa. Now Professor Emeritus after having taught at University of KwaZulu-Natal and University of Limpopo in South Africa. Recipient of the Frantz Fanon Lifetime Achievement Award

*External Reader:* P. Majavu (Development Studies), Ph.D. 2021. Dissertation: “A Critical Study of the Political Identity and Ideology of the Economic Freedom Fighters”

*Doctoral Supervisor*: Kelebamang Mkgupi (Development Studies). “#Rhodesmustfall: Challenges in Decolonizing Universities in South Africa”

**University of Texas Medical Branch, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences**

*Committee member:* Nathalie Egalite (Medical Humanities), PhD 2022. Dissertation: “The Narrative Uses of Patients: Ethics of Physician Writing.”

**Université Toulouse Jean Jaurès, Toulouse, France**

*Doctoral committee member:* [Norman Ajari](https://www.research.ed.ac.uk/en/persons/norman-ajari) (Philosophy and Anthropology), Ph.D. 2014. “Race et Violence: Frantz Fanon à l’épreuve du postcolonial”

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Villanova University, 2019 – 2021. Lecturer in Francophone Black Studies, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, UK, 2022–

*External Reader:* Gabriel Rivière (Philosophy and Anthrology), Ph.D. 2024. “ « L'antagonisme épistémique chez Édouard Glissant : relecture décoloniale de la philosophie politique glissantienne à partir du Discours antillais »

**University of the West Indies at Mona, Jamaica**

*External evaluator*: [Sandra McCalla](https://www.mona.uwi.edu/dllp/contacts.htm) (Ph.D. in philosophy, 2015), doctoral dissertation (achieving the award for most outstanding thesis at the university) on problems of ethics and social justice raised by the use of professional enhancement drugs in professional sports. Lecturer in Philosophy at the University of the West Indies at Mona

**University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa**

*External examiner:* Gabriel Morokoe Letswalo “Ethics and the Destiny of Being”

**Yale University, New Haven, CT**

*Dissertation Supervisor:* [Renée T. White](http://wheatoncollege.edu/news/2016/04/26/new-provost/), Ph.D. in hebr, 1995. Dissertation on conceptions of sexual risk among African-American and Latina teenagers in New Haven. Now [Provost of The New School](https://ww2.newschool.edu/pressroom/pressreleases/2021/ProvostAnnouncement.htm).

**Zhejiang University, Zhejiang, China**

*International supervisor:* Li Beilei (School of International Studies), PhD 2017. A study of James Weldon Johnson’s literary writings through the interpretive resources of Black Existentialism. Now Assistant Professor at Zhejiang Normal University, in Zhejiang Province, China

***Masters Advising***

**University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT**

*Associate Advisor:* Jean Nihoul (M.A. in Liberal Arts, with a focus on Fine Arts, 2014). Topic: The possibility of culinary arts as a fine art. Now curating at the Benton Museum, Storrs, CT

*Associate Advisor*: Stephanie Mercado-Irizarry (M.A. in Máster en Estudios Latinoamericanos, 2018): “Entre zonas y fragmentos: Un acercamiento decolonial a *Caja de fractales* de Luis Othoniel Rosa”

*Committee Member:*  Matheus Souza (M.A. in Máster en Estudios Latinoamericanos, 2020). “The Case for Post-National Citizenship: A Consideration of the Situation of Haitian Migrants in Brazil”

*Committee Member:* Gregory Franklin, Jr. (M.A., Indigeneity, Intersectionality, Race, and Politics, 2024). “The Protestant Work Ethic in the Aftermath of U.S. Racialized Enslavement: A Short Reflection on the Religious Lives of Lemuel Haynes and Richard Allen.”

*Committee Member:* Gregory Franklin, Jr. (M.A., Indigeneity, Intersectionality, Race, and Politics, 2024). “The Protestant Work Ethic in the Aftermath of U.S. Racialized Enslavement: A Short Reflection on the Religious Lives of Lemuel Haynes and Richard Allen.”

**University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa**

*External Examiner:* Gabriel Letswalo (M.A. in Literature, 2016). “Either/or in Black (an Ethic from Sorrow)”

**Yale University, New Haven, CT**

*Thesis Supervisor*: [Jennifer Alleyne Johnson](http://www.empoweringadministrators.com/research/drjwobidah.htm), M.A. thesis, 1992. A history of African American tap dancers in New York City. Subsequently completed PhD in education at the University of California at Berkeley. Now Jennifer Obidah, she is Director of the School of Education at the University of the West Indies at Cave Hill, Barbados

***Undergraduate Advising***

● **Honors Essay Advisor at UCONN:** Sarah Alder (Philosophy, 2014), Raymond Uymataio (Philosophy, 2015), Olta Shkembi (Philosophy, 2017); Brook Parmalee (Philosophy, 2018); Julia Silverstein (Philosophy, 2018); Katherine Folker (Puppet Arts, 2019); Jacob Dillon (Philosophy, 2022); Matan Doron (Anthropology and Philosophy, 2022); Robin Rouleau (Philosophy, 2022)

● **MacNair Scholar at Temple University:** Keantré Malone on Fanonian treatments of social impossibility (Philosophy, 2013)

● **Diamond Scholar Advisor at Temple University:** Omer Khwaja on racial dynamics in the distribution of information on and resources for sexual health in Northern Philadelphia.

● **Independent Concentration Advisor at Brown:** Kenneth Knies on methodologies in the human sciences; Emily Weinstein on philosophy of religion, pedagogy, and literature; Kara Wentworth on philosophies of science and education

● **Honors Essay advisor at Brown University for**: In *Afro-American Studies*: Markita Morris (on African American use of the internet), Neil Roberts (on Sylvia Wynter’s thought), Sandra Vernet (on translating Fanon’s writings), Nicole Birch (a Fanonian read of South African politics), Charles Walker (on hip hop in Francophone Africa), Kenneth Knies (on phenomenology of the social sciences [**won best thesis prize**), Eric Tucker (phenomenology of social conditions of organization), Lerin Kol (a Fanonian read of violence and recent U.S. policies toward the Haitian government), Natasha Korgaonkar (East Indian hip hop), Martha Oatis (the role of the perception of death in the formation of revolutionary consciousness); in *Latin-American Studies*: Liana Maris and Bess Massey (secondary and primary education in Cuba), Dawn Terry (an Arendtian analysis of student rebellions in Chile); in *Modern Culture and Media*: Marisa Murgatroyd (a project in postcolonial multimedia presentation), Jenna Wainwright (existential read of sexual fetish in contemporary art), Adrianne Bottrel (an autobiographical novel), Andres Luco (critical theory of development); in *Religious Studies*: Joseph Edmonds (recent black theology); in *Community Health*: Jessica Reid (an epidemiological study of Rasta women); in *Political Science*: Maryam Jamshidi (utopia in contemporary political thought), Alejandro Landes Echavarria (charisma in Latin-Caribbean leadership [**best thesis prize**]; in *International Affairs*: Eugene Limm (clash of civilizations and end of history thesis); and *Independent*: Kenneth Knies (research methods in the social sciences), Emily Weinstein (philosophy, politics, and education), Margo Guernsey (conceptions of action)

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE**

● **Service at UConn**. Co-chair, General Education Oversight Committee (GEOC), 2022; [Executive Committee](https://ibacs.uconn.edu/executive/) for the Institute of Brain and Cognitive Sciences (IBACS), 2021–; Cognitive Science Program Committee, 2020–; Indigeneity, Intersectionality, Race, and Politics Graduate Certificate and M.A. Committee, 2018– ; Senate Faculty Standards Committee, 2016–2021; Faculty Senate, 2015–2018; Acting Director of Graduate Services, Fall 2019; Senate Student Welfare Committee, 2015–2016; Graduate School Diversity Committee, 2014–2021; Harriott Fellowship, 2017–2021; Jorgenson Fellowship, 2021–2022; Philosophy Promotion and Tenure Committee (2016, 2017, 2019, 2020; Philosophy Graduate Committee, 2013–2020); Philosophy Search Committees for Research Assistant Professor in Social and Political Philosophy in 2018, Ancient Philosophy in 2019; Human Diversity, Rights, and Disparities SAAT committee (formerly the Social Justice Committee) 2013–2014; Founder and co-organizer, with Willena Price, of the Academic Mentors Program, African American Cultural Center and Institute for African American Studies, 2013–2022; Davis Grant committee (spring 2014); Race and Politics, Humanities Institute, 2013–2016

● **Service at Temple University:** Center for the Humanities at Temple (CHAT) Advisory

Board Member, 2010–; Faculty Leave and Sabbatical Committee, 2011–2012; Herald member of the

Faculty Executive Steering Committee, 2006–2009; Philosophy Department committees on continental

searches, chair of promotion committees in Continental philosophy; Executive General Education

Committee, 2006; Committee on Teaching Excellence, 2005–2006; Chairperson of Philosophy

Department General Education Committee, 2005–2006; Promotion Committee for Full Professors,

College of Liberal Arts, 2004–; Chairperson of Philosophy Tenure and Promotion Committee, fall 2005–

2006; spring 2006; Promotions Committee, College of Liberal Arts, Temple University, 2004–;

Chairperson of Search Committee in Continental Philosophy, fall 2004

● **Service at Brown University**:Faculty Executive Committee, Brown University (fall 2001–spring 2002); Search Committee for the New Director of the Leadership Alliance (fall 2002); Affirmative Action Monitoring Committee (1999–2000); Chairperson of the Committee on Minority Faculty Recruitment and Retention (1998–1999) [**major achievement:** Those years were the institution’s highest recorded recruitment of minority faculty—23], was a member of that committee (1997–2000); Governing Board of the Third World Center (1998–1999); Faculty Advisor for the Native American Students Association (1996–2000), and the Multiracial Jewish Club (2001–2003)

● **Service at Purdue University:** philosophy job search committee (1994, 1995); African American Studies job search committees, 1993, 1994; English and Philosophy Doctoral Committee (1993–1996); African American Studies Colloquia Committee (1993–1996)

● **Books and Journals Peer-review Referee** for Palgrave/McMillan (philosophy), Fordham University Press (philosophy, Africana Studies/Women’s Studies), University of New England Press (philosophy), Paradigm Publishers (philosophy and Africana studies), Oxford University Press (philosophy), Yale University Press (Religion), Northwestern University Press (philosophy), Routledge (philosophy, literature, Africana studies), Duke University Press (philosophy, religion, literature, history), Harvard University Press (anthropology, cultural studies, and Africana studies), University of Toronto Press (philosophy, sociology), Rowman & Littlefield/Bloomsbury (philosophy, political science, literature, cultural studies, women’s studies), University of Minnesota Press (philosophy, history, cultural studies), Cornell University Press (philosophy), University of Illinois Press (philosophy, religion), SUNY Press (philosophy, literature), Humanities Press (philosophy, political science), Westview Publishers (philosophy), Wadsworth (philosophy), Blackwell Publishers (philosophy, cultural studies), Polity Press (Black studies), University Press of KwaZulu Natal (political theory), Temple University Press (philosophy, Africana studies, sociology), Polity Press (philosophy, political theory, Africana studies), University of Virginia Press (philosophy, literature, and Caribbean studies), Columbia University Press (philosophy, religion); and *Ethics*; *International Philosophical Quarterly*; *Journal of the American Academy of Religion; Journal of Black Studies*; *Journal of the History of Philosophy*; *Journal of Religious Studies; Journal of the Theory of Social Behavior*; *Law and Society: Journal of the American Bar Association*; *Man and World*; *Newsletter on Philosophy and the Black Experience*; *Review of African American Studies*; *Social Identities*; *Social Philosophy; Theoria*; *Yale Journal of Law and Humanities; Radical Philosophy Review; Philosophia Africana*; *Critical Philosophy of Race*; *Contemporary Jewry*; *Alternation*; *Southern Journal of Philosophy*; *Journal of Politics; Diálogos*; *Philosophical Papers*; *Sophia*; *Jazz and Culture*

●**Tenure and Promotion referee** for scholars at American University, Arizona State University, Binghamton University, Brandeis University, Brown University, City University of New York, Claremont Graduate University, Columbia University, Connecticut College, Cornell University, De Paul University, Duke University, Duquesne University, Emerson College, Florida Atlantic University, George Washington University, Haverford College, Harvard University, Howard University, Kent State University, Loyola University of Chicago, Marquette University, Morgan State University, New York University, Pomona College, Princeton University, University of California at Berkeley, Irvine, Los Angeles, and Riverside, University of Kansas, Rice University, Rhodes University in South Africa, Rutgers University, Stony Brook University, Texas A & M University, University of Massachusetts at Boston, University of Colorado at Boulder, University of Michigan, University of New Hampshire, University of Pennsylvania, Queen’s University (Canada), University of West Indies at Mona, Wesleyan Theological Seminary, University of South Florida, University of Zimbabwe, University of Washington at Seattle, Binghamton University, Williams College, University of Memphis, University of Kentucky, University of KwaZuluNatal, Rhodes University in South Africa, University of Ghana

● **Member of the Board of Directors:** Centre for African Phenomenology (CAP), 2024–

● **Judge**, James Beard Foundation Awards, 2021–

● **Presidential search committee:** Lehman College, CUNY 2020

● **Initial Member of the Board of Directors:** The African Institute for Global Social Thought, Inc. 2016–

● **International Advisory Board:** Book series on *Psychoanalysis and Politics*, Surti Singh, Nadia Bou Ali, Samo Tomsic (eds.), Rowman & Littlefield/Bloomsbury. 2021–; *The Anthem Impact in Africana Philosophy and Racial Eliminativism*, Sheena Mason (ed.), Anthem Books.

● **Chairperson,** Committee on Public Philosophy, American Philosophical Association, 2020– 2023

● **Member of the Advisory Board:** historiesofviolence.com. 2013–

● **Member of the Board of Directors:** Truthout.org. 2012– . [*Winner of the 2021 Izzy Award for Independent Media.*](https://www.ithaca.edu/news/izzy-award-independent-media-be-shared-truthout-and-journalists-liliana-segura-and-tim-schwab)

● **Honorary Advisory Board Member:** The Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA. 2012–

● **Membre du Conseil:** Fondation Frantz Fanon. Paris, France. 2011–

● **Steering Committee Member:** Public Philosophy Network (PPN), 2010–

● **Advisory Board Member:**  Institute for Jewish & Community Research, San Francisco, CA (2003–). Participated in meetings on Jewish diversity and researched and developed projects for Be’chol Lashon

● **International Advisory Board member:** *African Dreams*, a film by Tukufu Zuberi, which is an exploration of African independence and struggles for democracy and justice. 2007–

● **Judge on the Diversity Prize Committee:** *Hypatia*. 2017–2018

● **External Evaluator of the following Departments and Programs:** Philosophy Department, Georgetown University (2024), Philosophy Department (Wesleyan University, 2023), Philosophy Department, Lehman College (2022), Philosophy Department, Central Connecticut State University (2015), Academy of Jewish Religion’s M.A. Program in Jewish Studies (2010), Philosophy Department, American University (2008), Black Diasporic Studies at UC-Berkeley (2006), Philosophy Department, Middle Tennessee State University (2006), Philosophy and Religion Department, Florida A&M University (2006), Institute for African American Studies at Columbia University (2002)

● **Evaluator and Chair** for existentialism papers and roundtable, World Congress of Philosophy meeting in Athens, Greece (2013)

● **Research Reviewer, Referee, and Consultant:** Newcombe Fellowship (2021–); American Council of Learned Societies and Mellon Dissertation Completion Fellowship Program (2012–); College of Reviewers for the Canada Research Chairs program (2002–); Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture (2010–2011); Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship (2009); MacArthur Prize (2004, 2022)

● **Institute Board of Trustee Member:** The Institute for Caribbean Thought at the University of the West Indies at Mona, Jamaica (2003–). Co-organized several conferences focusing on central figures in Caribbean thought; co-founded the Caribbean Philosophical Association

● **Member of the Editorial and Advisory Board of the following journals**: [*Psycho-Oncologie*](https://www.techscience.com/journal/PO), 2024; [*Journal of World Futures*](https://www.tandfonline.com/journals/gwof20), 2021–; [*The CLR James Journal: Review of Caribbean Ideas*](https://www.pdcnet.org/clrjames/The-CLR-James-Journal), 1997–; [*Social Identities*](https://www.tandfonline.com/loi/csid20), 1999–; [*Philosophia Africana*](https://www.pdcnet.org/philafricana/Philosophia-Africana), 2001–2010; [*Alternative Francophone*](https://journals.library.ualberta.ca/af/index.php/af)*,* 2006–; [*Ethnoscapes: An Interdisciplinary Journal on Race and Ethnicity in the Global Contex*](https://call-for-papers.sas.upenn.edu/cfp/2006/12/11/cfp-ethnoscapes-an-interdisciplinary-journal-on-race-and-ethnicity-in-the-global)*t*, 2006–;[*Review of American Studies*](https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/wpov20/current), 2007–; [*The Journal of Human Architecture*](https://scholarworks.umb.edu/humanarchitecture/about.html), 2009–; [*The Journal of Poverty*](https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/wpov20/current), 2010–2015; [*The Journal of French and Francophone Studies*](https://guides.library.illinois.edu/c.php?g=694848&p=4925644), 2010–2015; [*The Journal of Religious Ethics*](https://www.wiley.com/en-us/Journal+of+Religious+Ethics-p-9780JRNL62545), 2010–2015; [*Critical Philosophy of Race*](http://www.psupress.org/Journals/jnls_CPR.html), 2011–; [*Dzimbahwe: Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences*](https://www.gzu.ac.zw/journals/), 2012–; [*The Journal of Black Studies*](https://journals.sagepub.com/home/jbs), 2017–; [*Puncta: Journal of Critical Phenomenology*](http://journals.oregondigital.org/index.php/pjcp)*,* 2017–; [*A-Line: A Journal of Progressive Thought*](https://alinejournal.com/page/2/), 2017–; [*Revista FAIA*](http://editorialabiertafaia.com/pifilojs/index.php/FAIA/index)*,* 2018–; [*Continental Philosophy Review*](https://www.springer.com/journal/11007), 2018–; [*The Caribbean Writer*](https://www.thecaribbeanwriter.org/), 2018–; [*Humanities in the Global South*](https://journals.ukzn.ac.za/index.php/higs), 2018– ; [*Review of Education, Pedagogy, and Cultural Studies*](https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/gred20/current), 2019– ; [Revista Crítica de Ciências Sociais](https://ces.uc.pt/en/publicacoes/revista-critica-de-ciencias-sociais), 2019–; [*Compass*](https://journals.gre.ac.uk/index.php/compass), 2020– ; [*Journal of World Futures*](https://www.tandfonline.com/action/journalInformation?show=editorialBoard&journalCode=gwof20), 2021–

● **Member of the Editorial Advisory Board of the following book series.** Reiland Rabaka (ed.), *Africana Critical Thought*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books. 2010–; George Yancy (ed.), *Philosophy of Race*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2011–; Jacoby Carter, *African American Philosophy.* New York: Palgrave, 2014–; Surti Singh, Nadia Bou Ali, and Samo Tomsic (eds.), *Psychoanalysis and Politics*. Lanham, MD: /Bloomsbury & Littlefield, 2021–

● **Consulting Editor**. *Philosophia Africana*. Blackwell Publishers (1997–2009);

*Sophia: A Journal of Philosophy.* 1997–

● **President:** Caribbean Philosophical Association, 2003–2008. Organized Board of Officers and the construction of bylaws; co-founded The Frantz Fanon Prize and The Nicholas Guillén Philosophical Literature awards; co-organized annual conferences along the theme of shifting the geography of reason; co-organized special committees toward the development of philosophy in the Caribbean; coordinated philosophy projects in the region and South America; organized the adoption of *The CLR James Journal* as the official journal of the organization; established links with intellectual organizations in Africa, Australia, Central and South America; and Europe (Western and Eastern)

● **Chairperson of Awards Committee:** Caribbean Philosophical Association, 2008–

● **Executive Editor.** *American Philosophical Association Blog Series Black Issues in Philosophy* (2017–)

● **Associate Editor**. *American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Philosophy and the Black Experience*. 1994–1996

● **APA Committee Member**: American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Advisory Committee to the Program Committee (2003–2005)

● **Chair of the Committee on Public** (2020–2023), American Philosophical Association

● **Elected Member of the APA Committee on the Status of Blacks in Philosophy**. American Philosophical Association, 1996–2001; 2016–2019; *Ex Officio* since 2019 because of editing *Black Issues in Philosophy*

● **Encyclopedia Board Member**: *The Encyclopedia of African American Studies*

(2002–2006)

● **News Analyst:** WBUR, National Public Radio (Boston, New England Division), *On Point*, with Tom Ashbrook, live, nightly call-in news magazine (January 2002–June 2002)

● **Elected Member of the Philosophy of Religion Steering Committee**. American Academy of Religion. 1998–2000

● **Ethics and Professional Conduct Committee**. National Council of African-American Studies. 1997–1998

● **Selection Committee**. 28th NAACP Image Awards. 1996

● **Board Member**. Society for Values in Higher Education. 1996–1999

● **Panels Organizer**. Radical Philosophy Association Meetings at the Eastern Division of the APA. 1995–2000. Organized panels that drew a broad array of scholars through intersections with the Society for Women in Philosophy, The Philosophy of Liberation Society, and The Committee on Blacks in Philosophy. Highpoint was the 1997 Philadelphia meeting, which included the founding of the Committee for Native American Philosophers and drew audiences of a hundred or more to each satellite session

● **Outside Examiner of undergraduate honors students**. Philosophy Department, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA. May 1998; Philosophy Department, Marlboro College, Marlboro, VT. May 2018; Religion and Black Studies, Swarthmore College. May 2019

● **Director of Graduate Services**, Afro-American Cultural Center, Yale University. 1991–1992

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

The African American Intellectual History Society (2016–); The Caribbean Philosophical Association (2003–); The C.L.R. James Society (1996–); African Studies Association (1996–1997, 2015–); The American Studies Association (2004–2005); The American Academy of Religion (2004–2005); The American Philosophical Association (1992–); Society for Phenomenological and Existential Philosophy (1993–); Radical Philosophy Association (1993–); Society for the Study of Africana Philosophy (1996–); International Society for African Philosophy and Studies (2002–2004); International Association of Philosophy and Literature (1995–)

**DISTINCTIONS**

(See also books in print and, on lectures’ CV, public lectures, keynotes, and master classes)

● [James J. Londis and Family Lecture](https://spectrummagazine.org/news/lewis-r-gordon-asks-freedom-relish-or-fear-it/) (8 November 2024)

● DDT Jabavu Public Lecturer, University of Fort Hare (4 September 2024)

● [Fellow, Royal Society of Arts](https://www.thersa.org/fellowship/find-a-fellow/profile/189849) (RSA), UK (2024)

● [Scholar in Residence](https://www.kilv.org/scholar-in-residence-2024-lewis-r.-gordon.html), Congregation Keneseth Israel (15–17 March 2024)

● Suárez Lecturer, Fordham University, NYC (5 March 2024)

● [Board of Trustees Distinguished Professor](https://today.uconn.edu/2023/06/three-faculty-awarded-board-of-trustees-distinguished-professor-title/), UConn, 2023–

● *Fear of Black Consciousness* [Seminary Co-op Notable Book for 2022](https://simplebooklet.com/notables2022#page=31)

● Spinoza Lecturer, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands (25 May 2022)

● Aquinas Lecturer, Manhattan College, NYC (11 April 2022)

● Elton Lecturer, George Washington University, Washington, DC (8 April 2022)

● Hurst Lecturer, American University, Washington, DC (6 April 2022)

● [Eminent Scholar Award](https://isanet.org/ISA/Sections/FPA/News/ID/6219/2021--2022-Awards-Recipients), the Global Development Section of the International Studies Association (2022). Eminent scholar roundtable session available [here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qiBzxdoR58g).

● One of Germantown Jewish Centre’s [Honoring Jews Making a Difference](https://germantownjewishcentre.org/honoring-jews-making-a-difference-black-history-month-at-gjc/) (February 2022). Full profile [here.](https://germantownjewishcentre.org/professor-lewis-r-gordon/)

● Visiting Phenomenology Scholar, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA (2022)

● Distinguished Scholar, The Most Honourable PJ Patterson Centre for Africa-Caribbean Advocacy, The University of the West Indies, Mona (2021–)

● [The Irving Glovin Lecture](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NZlj2iEnFYg&list=PL0m4G0XskoHmg7s-VSBFrG4EghnLkFf4k&index=35), Dalhousie University (25 March 2021)

● [The Fifth Lewis E. Hahn Memorial Lecture, Honoring the Work of Lewis R. Gordon](https://creativityfoundation.org/hahn-lectures-september-12-2020-lewis-r-gordon?fbclid=IwAR2xqp5mQXBiQ0roWiujetjVm3vPvUzKIe89UEPdm8SDmEkLrfTsKr6DVEk) (12 September 2020)

● [*Black Existentialism: Essays on the Transformative Thought of Lewis R. Gordon*](https://rowman.com/ISBN/9781786611475/Black-Existentialism-Essays-on-the-Transformative-Thought-of-Lewis-R-Gordon) (paperback, 2021)

● [Boaventura de Sousa Santos Chair in Social Sciences](https://www.uc.pt/feuc/eea/catedra_bvss_en), Faculty of Economics of the University of Coimbra, Portugal (2018–2019)

● [Alfred P. Stiernotte Lecture in Philosophy](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t0jmlU18MTE)*,* Quinnipiac University, Hamden, CT (2019)

● Spindel Lecturer, University of Memphis, TN (2018)

● “Black Aesthetics, Black Value” on Duke University Press’ [list of most-read articles of 2018](https://dukeupress.wordpress.com/2018/12/20/the-most-read-articles-of-2018/)

● [Honorary President](https://gcas.ie/honorary-president), Global Center for Advanced Studies (2017–)

● The Dr. Arthur G. Nikelly Annual Lecture in Celebration of World Philosophy Day, National Hellenic

Museum, Chicago, IL (2017)

● Seymour Riklin Memorial Lecturer, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI (2017)

● Honorary Professor at UHURU (Unit for the Humanities at Rhodes University), Rhodes University in South Africa (2016–2023)

● Writer-in-Residence, Birkbeck School of Law, University of London (May 2016)

● Professor Lewis Gordon Day, Mayoral Proclamation, City of Springfield, MA (23 October 2015)

● Citation of Honor, 100 Men of Color, City of Hartford, CT (2015)

● *Phi Beta Kappa Lecture*, Lehman College, City University of New York (2015)

● Nelson Mandela Distinguished Visiting Professor, Department of Politics and International Studies at Rhodes University in South Africa (2014 and 2015)

● Distinguished Public Lecture, Tufts University (2014)

● European Union Chair in Philosophy (Visiting), Equipe de Recherche sur les Rationalités Philosophiques et les Savoirs (ERRAPHIS), Philosophy Department, Université Toulouse Jean Jaurès (2013–2019)

● Lindner Lecturer on Ethics, College of Wooster, OH (2015)

● Kern Lecture, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY (2013)

● Distinguished Lecturer, Programme Journées doctorales du CSPRP, University of Paris-Diderot, Paris, France (2012)

● W.E.B. Du Bois Lecturer, Simon’s Rock, Great Barrington, MA (2012)

● [*Beyond Disciplinary Decadence: Communicology in the Thought of Lewis Gordon*](https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/hajc20/19/1), Special Issue of the *Atlantic Journal of Communication* 19, no. 1 (2011).

● Jay Newman Visiting Professor of Philosophy of Culture, Brooklyn College, City University of New York. Brooklyn, NY (2010)

● *Phi Beta Kappa* Lecture, Brooklyn College (2010)

● Sprague & Taylor Lecturer, Brooklyn College (2010)

● The Louis Bunis Lecturer, The Reconstructionist Rabbinical Academy, Jenkintown, PA (2010)

● Chancellor Colloquium Lecturer, University of California at Berkeley (2009)

● *Phi Beta Kappa* Lecturer, Lehman College, City University of New York (2009)

● James and Helen Merritt Distinguished Service Award for Contributions to the Philosophy of Education, Northern Illinois University (2008)

● Bucks County Senior Council’s Fall Lecture Series / Jewish Federation of Bucks County / Congregation Brothers of Israel. Newton, PA (2007)

● *A Companion to African-American Studies,* [**The e-book version was named *eBook of the Month* for February 2007 by NetLibrary**](http://hiu-library.blogspot.com/2007/02/netlibrarys-february-ebook-of-month.html)

● The Metcalfe Chair in Philosophy, Marquette University (2006)

● Ruth Cohen Memorial Lecturer. Jewish Family & Children Services Volunteers Recognition Evening,

Reform Congregation, Keneseth Israel, Philadelphia, PA (2006)

● Laura Carnell Professorship at Temple University (September 2004–2013)

● Fellow, the Institute for Jewish and Community Research (2004–)

● Andrew Mellon Foundation Lecturer, Temple University (2003)

● The Phil Smith Lecturer, The Ohio Valley Philosophy of Education Society, Dayton, Ohio (2002)

● Fellow, the Wayland Collegium, Brown University (2000–2004)

● Lyceum Lecture in Applied Philosophy, Middle Tennessee State University, Morfreesboro, TN (2000)

● National Research Foundation Fellow, South Africa (1999–2000)

● Distinguished Lecturer, Lehman College, City University of New York (1999)

● Distinguished Lecturer, Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center, Duquesne University (1999)

● Listed in *Round and About Providence* as one of the seven best professors with whom to study at Brown University (1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004)

● Distinguished Lecturer, The University of the West Indies at Mona, Jamaica (1998)

● Award for Excellence and Innovation in Teaching, ONYX, Class of 1998, Brown University

● Marshall Dodge Memorial Lecture in Philosophy*,* University of Maine, Orno (1998)

● Distinguished Lecturer, Colby College (1998)

● Presidential Faculty Fellow of the Pembroke Center for the Study and Teaching of Women (1997–1998)

● Martin Luther King, Jr. Distinguished Lecturer. Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C.

(1998)

● *Her Majesty’s Other Children*, Winner of the Gustavus Myers Outstanding Book Award for the Study of Human Rights in North America(1998)

● *Existence in Black: Black Philosophy and the Western Identity Crisis* (conference devoted to the work of Lewis R. Gordon). Lewis University, Romeoville, Illinois (1997)

● Distinguished Lecturer. Trinity College, Burlington, Vermont (1997)

● Distinguished Antiracism Lecturer, York University, Toronto, Canada (1996)

● Alumni Achievement Award “for outstanding work in his profession.” Lehman College, City University of New York (1995)

● National Society of Black Engineers (NSBSE) Award for Excellence in Teaching, Purdue University (1995)

● *Bad Faith and Antiblack Racism*, Outstanding Book Award, African American Studies and Research Center at Purdue University (1995)

● George A. Miller Lecture. Institute for Advanced Study, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (1995)

● African American Studies and Research Center Faculty Award, Purdue University (1994)

● Society for Values in Higher Education Fellow, 1991–

● Danforth-Compton Fellow (1989–1993)

● Service Award, Yale Afro-American Cultural Center (1992)

● *Phi Beta Kappa* (*Chi* Chapter), Lehman College (1984)

● *Pi Sigma Alpha*, Lehman College (1983)