

# ERICA LORRAINE WILLIAMS

## *Curriculum Vitae*

Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Spelman College  
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## EDUCATION

- 2010 Ph.D. in Cultural and Social Anthropology, Stanford University  
**Dissertation:** *Anxious Pleasures: Race and the Sexual Economies of Transnational Tourism in Salvador, Brazil*. **Co-Advisors:** Sylvia Yanagisako and Paula Ebron
- 2005 M.A., Cultural and Social Anthropology, Stanford University
- 2002 B.A., Cultural Anthropology and Africana Studies, New York University

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2023-pres. Full Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Spelman College
- 2022 Africana Studies Visiting Research Associate, Lehigh University, Feb 28-Mar 11.
- 2018-21 Chair, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Spelman College
- 2015-23 Associate Professor (tenured), Dept. of Sociology & Anthropology, Spelman College
- 2010-pres. Co-Director, Brazil Summer Study Abroad Program, Spelman College
- 2009-15 Assistant Professor, Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology, Spelman College
- 2014 Faculty Success Program Coach. National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity
- 2013-14 Portuguese to English Translator. Latin American Center on Sexuality and Human Rights
- 2010 Visiting Summer Scholar in Residence, Faculty Resource Network, New York University
- 2008-09 Dissertation Fellow, Dept. of Black Studies, University of California at Santa Barbara

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Sex Tourism, Black feminist activism in Brazil, transnational Black feminisms, race, gender, sexuality, feminist ethnography, Black expatriates; Brazil, African Diaspora, Afro-Latin America

## AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2019 Inducted into Alpha Pi Chapter of TRIOTA, National Women's Studies Honors Society
- 2018 Inducted into Phi Beta Kappa (Honorary Member)
- 2013 Vulcan Materials Company Teaching Excellence Award
- 2013 Phi Beta Delta International Honor Society
- 2012 Mellon/HBCU Fellowship, Franklin Humanities Institute, Duke University, Spring
- 2011 National Women's Studies Association/University of Illinois Press 1st Book Prize

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023 Carnegie Rockefeller Distinguished Research Scholar Fellowship (\$10,000)
- 2020 Carnegie Rockefeller Distinguished Research Scholar Fellowship (\$10,000)
- 2019 Gordon-Zeto Title III Funding for Faculty Internationalization (\$3000)
- 2018 & 2016 Spelman College Faculty Research Development Grant (\$1800)
- 2016 & 2013 Gordon Zeto QEP Course Development Grant (\$1500, \$2000)
- 2013 HBCU Faculty Fellowship for PARC Faculty Development Seminar in Palestine (\$4600)
- 2013 UNCF/Mellon Faculty Residency, Steve Biko Institute, Salvador, Brazil (\$15,000)
- 2012 Future of Minority Studies (FMS) Research Grant (\$3500)
- 2011 Future of Minority Studies Summer Mentoring Fellowship (\$13,500)
- 2010 Spelman College Faculty Research Development Grant (\$1000)
- 2009 United Negro College Fund/Mellon ABD Faculty Fellowship (\$22,500)

- 2009 Marilyn Lozoff Essay Prize, Clayman Institute for Gender Research, Stanford University  
 2008 Vice Provost for Graduate Education Dissertation Research Funds, Stanford University  
 2007 Marilyn Yalom Fund, Clayman Institute for Gender Research, Stanford University  
 2007 School of Humanities and Sciences Graduate Research Funds, Stanford University  
 2004 U.S. Department of Education, *Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Summer Fellowship* (Yorùbá), Ohio University Summer Cooperative African Language Institute  
 2002 U.S. Department of Education, *FLAS Academic Year Fellowship* (Yorùbá), Yale Univ.  
 2000 Bailey Scholarship for Study Abroad, Council on International Educational Exchange

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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|---|---|
| SANT203 Introduction to Anthropology                      | SAN450 Sexual Economies                                     |
| SANT305 Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Gender & Sexuality | SANT433/SOC432 Soc/Antho Senior Thesis                      |
| SANT316 Feminist Ethnography                              | BQC100 Going Global: From Travelogues to Black Travel Blogs |
| SANT336 Ethnographic Methods                              | BQC100 Defund the Police: Abolition & Black Feminisms       |
| SANT330 Gender, Transnationalism & Human Rights           | ADW112 African Diaspora and the World                       |
| SANT350 Race and Identity in Latin America                | FYE102 First Year Experience                                |

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books and Monographs

- In prep. Williams, Erica L. *Take Flight: A Black Feminist Autoethnographic Travel Memoir*.  
 In prep. Williams, Erica L. *Fighting for a Good Life: Black Feminist Activism in Bahia*.  
 2023 Cole, Johnnetta Betsch, Celeste Watkins-Hayes, & Erica L. Williams, eds. *Speechifying: A Lifetime of Speaking Truth to Power*. Durham, NC: Duke University Press.  
 2018 Harrison, Ira, Deborah Johnson-Simon, and Erica L. Williams, eds. *The Second Generation of African American Pioneers in Anthropology*. Urbana-Champaign: University of Illinois Press.  
 2013 Williams, Erica L. *Sex Tourism in Bahia: Ambiguous Entanglements*. Urbana-Champaign: University of Illinois Press.

### Refereed Journal Articles

- 2022 **Williams, Erica L.** "Centering Black Women: A Black Feminist Critique of Mainstream Anthropology from the Margins of an HBCU." *Cultural Anthropology*. Vol. 37 (No. 3) Colloquy. <https://doi.org/10.14506/ca37.3.04>  
 2021 **Williams, Erica L.** "A Tale of Two Women: Genealogies of Black Feminist Anthropology in Brazil." In "Legacies and Genealogies in Feminist Anthropology." A. Lynn Bolles and Mary H. Moran, eds. *American Ethnologist*, May 24.  
 2021 **Williams, Erica L.** "Black Girl Abroad: An Autoethnography of Travel and The Need to #CiteBlackWomen in Anthropology." *Feminist Anthropology*. Special Issue: #CiteBlackWomen. Vol. 2, Issue 1, p. 143-154. DOI: [10.1002/fea2.12041](https://doi.org/10.1002/fea2.12041)  
 2021 Smith, Christen A., **Erica L. Williams**, Imani A. Wadud, Whitney N. L. Pirtle, and The Cite Black Women Collective. "Cite Black Women: A Critical Praxis (A Statement)." *Feminist Anthropology*. Special Issue: #CiteBlackWomen. Vol. 2, Issue 1, p. 10-17. DOI: [10.1002/fea2.12040](https://doi.org/10.1002/fea2.12040)  
 2020 **Williams, Erica L.** "The More Things Change, the More they Stay the Same: Reflections on A. Lynn Bolles's 'Telling the Story Straight.'" *Transforming Anthropology*. Vol. 28, Issue 2. Oct. pp. 136-138. DOI: [10.1111/traa.12194](https://doi.org/10.1111/traa.12194)

- 2020 **Williams, Erica L.** “The Practical Ethics of Johnnetta Betsch Cole: The Life of a Black Feminist Anthropologist.” *Feminist Anthropology*. Vol. 1, Issue 1: pp 118-128. May. <https://doi.org/10.1002/fea2.12006>
- 2014 **Williams, Erica L.** “Geographies of Blackness, Sex Work, and Exclusion in the Tourist Districts of Salvador.” *Gender, Place, Culture*. Vol. 21(4): 453-470. <https://doi.org/10.1080/0966369X.2013.786685>
- 2013 **Williams, Erica L.** “Women’s Studies and Sexuality Studies at HBCUs: The Audre Lorde Project at Spelman College.” Forum: W/G/S Studies Women’s Studies and Sexuality Studies in Conversation. *Feminist Studies* Vol. 39, No. 2.

### Refereed Book Chapters

- 2022 **Williams, Erica L.** “A Black Feminist Anthropologist Reflects on her Journeys to Brazil.” In *Spelman Going Global: Cross-Cultural Reflections of Students, Faculty, and Staff*. Edited by ‘Dimeji Togunde and Krishna Bista. STAR Scholars.
- 2022 **Williams, Erica L.** *Preface*. Pacheco, Ana Cláudia Lemos. *Mulher Negra: Afetividade e Solidão*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edição.
- 2022 **Williams, Erica L.** “A Formação de Mulheres Negras no Ensino Superior: A Experiência de Spelman College.” In *Pedagogia Feminista Negra: Primeiras Aproximações*. Edited by Carol Pinho and Tayná Victória de Lima Mesquita. São Paulo: Veneta Editora.
- 2019 **Williams, Erica L.** “No Bodily Rights Worth Protecting: Transnational Circulations of Black Hypersexuality in Brazil.” *Black Sexual Economies: Race and Sex in a Culture of Capital*. Adrienne Davis and the BSE Collective. University of Illinois Press.
- 2018 **Williams, Erica L.,** Deborah Johnson-Simon, and Ira Harrison. “Introduction: Celebrating Triumphs, Overcoming Challenges, and Charting a Course for Institutional Transformation.” In *The Second Generation of African American Pioneers in Anthropology*. Urbana-Champaign: University of Illinois Press.
- 2018 **Williams, Erica L.** “Niara Sudarkasa: A Legacy of Black Women’s Leadership.” In *The Second Generation of African American Pioneers in Anthropology*. Edited by Harrison, Johnson-Simon, and Williams. Urbana-Champaign: University of Illinois Press.
- 2015 **Williams, Erica L.** “*Mucamas* and *Mulatas*: Black Brazilian Feminisms, Representations, and Ethnography.” In *Transatlantic Feminisms: Women and Gender Studies in Africa and the African Diaspora*. Eds. Ampofo et. al. Lanham, MD: Lexington.
- 2014 **Williams, Erica L.** “Feminist Tensions: Race, Sex Work, and Women’s Activism in Bahia.” In *Taking Risks: Feminist Stories of Social Justice Research in the Americas*. Edited by Julie Shayne. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.
- 2011 **Williams, Erica L.** “Moral Panics and Racialized Sexuality: “Sex Tourism,” “Trafficking” and the Limits of Transnational Mobility in Bahia.” In *Policing Pleasure: Global Reflections on Sex Work and Public Policy*. Kelly and Dewey, eds. NYU Press.

### **Invited Reference Essays**

- 2020 **Williams, Erica L.** “Sociology: Brazil” (State of the Field; 45 annotations and introductory essay). *Handbook of Latin American Studies*. Vol 75.
- 2018 **Williams, Erica L.** “Sociology: Brazil” (State of the Field; 56 annotations and introductory essay). *Handbook of Latin American Studies*. Vol 72.
- 2017 **Williams, Erica L.** “Commodification.” In *Gender: Love*, edited by Jennifer C. Nash. Macmillan Interdisciplinary Handbooks. Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan Reference.
- 2016 **Williams, Erica L.** Four Biographical Entries on “Ochy Curiel,” “Dandara dos Palmares,” “Mãe Hilda Jitolu,” and “Laudelina Campos Melo.” *Dictionary of Caribbean*

- and *Afro-Latin American Biography*. Edited by Robert Repino. Henry Louis Gates, Jr. and Franklin W. Knight, Editors-in-Chief. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2012 **Williams, Erica L.** Three Entries on "Sex Tourism," "Romance Tourism," and "Prostitution/Sex Work." *Encyclopedia of Globalization*. Edited by George Ritzer. Wiley-Blackwell.

### Invited Book Reviews (Selected)

- 2023 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *Ain't I an Anthropologist: Zora Neale Hurston beyond the Literary Icon*. By Jennifer L. Freeman Marshall. Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2023. 252 pp. *American Anthropologist* Vol 125, Issue 4, p. 905-906.
- 2022 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *Pensamento Feminista Hoje: Perspectivas Decoloniais*. Heloisa Buarque de Hollanda, ed. Rio de Janeiro: Bazar do Tempo, 2020. *Hypatia*. Vol. 37, Special Issue 3: Decolonial Feminisms in Latin América: An Essential Anthology, Summer 2022.
- 2020 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *Ethno-Erotic Economies: Sexuality, Money, and Belonging in Kenya*. George Paul Meiu, Chicago, University of Chicago Press, 2017. *Ethnos: Journal of Anthropology*. Vol. 85, Issue 2, pp. 395-397.
- 2019 **Williams, Erica L.** "Black Roots Tourism in Brazil." Review of *Mapping Diaspora: African American Roots Tourism in Brazil*. Nov. 5. *Black Perspectives AAIHS*.
- 2019 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *Marriage, Divorce, and Distress in Northeast Brazil: Black Women's Perspectives on Love, Respect, and Kinship*. Melanie A. Medeiros. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press, 2018. *The Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*. Vol 44, Issue 3, pp. 395-397.
- 2019 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *Plastic Bodies: Sex Hormones and Menstrual Suppression in Brazil*. Emilia Sanabria. Durham: Duke University Press, 2016. *Journal of International Women's History*. Vol. 20, Issue 6, pp. 118-120.
- 2019 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *Gringo Gulch: Sex, Tourism, and Social Mobility in Costa Rica*. Megan Rivers-Moore. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2016. *Journal of Latin American Studies*. Vol 51, Issue 4, pp. 976-978.
- 2018 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *The Pursuit of Happiness: Black Women, Diasporic Dreams, and the Politics of Emotional Transnationalism*. Bianca C. Williams. Duke U. Press. *Anthro(dendum)*, June 11.
- 2016 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *Street Corner Secrets: Sex, Work, and Migration in the City of Mumbai*. By Svati Shah. Durham: Duke UP, 2014. *Anthropology of Work Review*. 37 (Nov.): 114–116.
- 2016 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *Race on the Move: Brazilian Migrants and the Global Reconstruction of Race*. By Tiffany D. Joseph. Stanford: Stanford U.P., 2015. *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*, Vol. 21, No. 3 (Nov): 586-588.
- 2014 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *Transnational Desires: Brazilian Erotic Dancers in New York*. Suzana Maia. Nashville, TN: Vanderbilt University Press, 2012. *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*. Vol. 19, No. 2 (Jul): 375-377.
- 2011 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *The Devil Behind the Mirror: Globalization and Politics in the Dominican Republic*. By Steven Gregory. Berkeley: UC Press, 2007. *Transforming Anthropology*. 20 (1) April.
- 2011 **Williams, Erica L.** Review of *Economies of Desire: Sex and Tourism in Cuba and the Dominican Republic*. By Amalia Cabezas. Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 2009. *Wagadu: Journal of Transnational Women and Gender Studies*. Vol. 9 Spring.

## **Op-Eds/Advocacy/Public Scholarship (Selected)**

- 2021 Williams, Erica L. "[The Healing Power of Black Women's Words: In Honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.](#)" *Cite Black Women Blog*. October 8, 2021.
- 2020 **Williams, Erica L.** "Self-Care Practices for Black Women during the Covid-19 Pandemic." *Cite Black Women Blog*. May 4, 2020.
- 2020 Thomas, Todne, Whitney Pirtle, and **Erica L. Williams.** "Working as a Black Mamademic during Covid-19." *Cite Black Women Blog*. May 4.
- 2018 Caldwell, Kia L., W. Muse, T. Paschel, Keisha-Khan Perry, Christen A. Smith, and **Erica L. Williams.** "On the Imperative of Transnational Solidarity: A U.S. Black Feminist Statement on the Assassination of Marielle Franco." *The Black Scholar Blog*, March 23.
- 2014 Creary, Melissa and **Erica Lorraine Williams.** "The Place of Black Women in the World Cup." *Huffington Post*. Jun. 17.
- 2013 Kelley, Robin D.G. and **Erica Lorraine Williams.** "Madiba in Palestine." Co-written with Robin D.G. Kelley. *Counterpunch*. Dec. 10.
- 2013 **Williams, Erica Lorraine.** "Somebody Confiscated my Field Notes: Reflections on Occupied Palestine." *The Feminist Wire*. Jun. 24.
- 2012 **Williams, Erica Lorraine.** "A Black Woman's Self-Care Manifesto." Part of the Black Academic Women's Health series. *The Feminist Wire*. Nov. 5.
- 2011 **Williams, Erica Lorraine.** "Slut Walk: Bahia-Style." Aug. 5.
- 2010 **Williams, Erica Lorraine.** "Blonde Beauties and Black Booties: Persisting Racial Hierarchies in Brazil." Jun. 11.

## **Media Appearances and Interviews**

- 2020 "We Must Center Black Trans Women in this Struggle." Erica L. Williams Interviews Imara Jones. *Cite Black Women* podcast, Season 2, Ep 7. June 28.
- 2019 "Loving Black Women's Work." Erica L. Williams Interviews Dr. Beverly Guy-Sheftall. *Cite Black Women* podcast. Season 1, Episode 4. Feb 14.
- 2019 Twitter Chat on the Current Cultural Climate for Transgender, Genderqueer, and Gender Nonconforming Individuals at HBCUs. Apr 30.
- 2019 Interview with Dr. James Green for Brazil Unfiltered podcast. "How Black Feminist Activists are Resisting Brazil's Conservative Turn." Brown University. Nov 13.
- 2018 Interviewed by Raquel Barreto. "[Entrevista com a antropóloga afro-americana Erica Lorraine Williams,](#)" July 19.
- 2018 Interviewed by Dr. Sharelle Barber for documentary on Marielle Franco, *I, A Black Woman, Resist,* Aug 3.
- 2014 Beyond Borders: Peoples of the Caribbean and Latin America. *WRFG 89.3*
- 2014 Spelman Author Interview. *SIS Oral History Authors Project*, Apr. 2.
- 2014 [Left of Black.](#) Interviewed about *Sex Tourism in Bahia*. Mark Anthony Neal. John Hope Franklin Center, Duke U, Feb. 20.
- 2013 [Critical Lede.](#) Interviewed about *Sex Tourism in Bahia*. Gregory Mitchell. Dec 6.

## **ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS (Selected)**

### **Conferences**

- 2023 Presenter. "Na Luta por Bem Viver: Black Feminists and the Politics of Ancestralidade." *Panel: Broadening the Luta: Black Feminist Interventions at the Margins of the Lusophone World.* NWSA Baltimore, Oct. 28
- 2023 Presenter. Speechifying Book Panel, NWSA Baltimore, Oct. 27.
- 2023 Moderator, NWSA Presidential Session: Haitian Revolutions: Making Feminist Sense of the Past, Present and Future, NWSA Baltimore, Oct. 27.



- 2023 Moderator, Discussant, Commentator. Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas. Theme: “Fugitivity, Cimarronaje, Abolition.” Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 19-26
- 2021 Presenter. “In Search of Belonging: Black Women’s Diasporic Travel.” National Women’s Studies Association, Nov. 19.
- 2020 Presenter. (Re)Writing Anthropology and Raising our Voices from the Academic Margins.” ROV Virtual American Anthropological Association (AA) conference. Nov. 9.
- 2019 Presenter. “Cite Black Women: Race, Gender, Justice, and Citational Politics in Anthropology.” American Anthropological Association, Vancouver, Canada, Nov. 21.
- 2018 Presenter. “Cite Black Women: A Critical Praxis.” National Women’s Studies Association conference (NWSA), Atlanta, Nov. 8.
- 2018 Presenter. “Building Just Academic Spaces: Democratizing Knowledge Summer Institutes.” NWSA, Atlanta, Nov. 10
- 2018 Presenter. “Dark Resistance: Coping with Crisis in Brazil.” AAA, San Jose, CA, Nov. 15.
- 2016 Discussant. *Embodiment, Identity, and the State: Afro-diasporic bodies as Sites of Evidence and Resistance*. AAA conference, Minneapolis, MN, Nov. 18.
- 2015 “*Mucamas and Mulatas: Black Brazilian Feminisms, Representations, and Ethnography*.” AAA conference, Denver, Nov. 20.
- 2015 “Precarious Subjects: Black Women and Tourism in Bahia.” Roundtable: *Traumatic Fissures of Blackness: Affective and Erotic encounters with Anti-black violence in the Americas*. NWSA conference. Milwaukee, Nov 14.
- 2015 “Black Brazilian Feminisms, Representations, and Ethnography.” ASALH Conference. Atlanta, GA. Sept. 25.
- 2014 Roundtable Speaker. *Black Women, Violence, and the Transnational State: Grassroots Approaches*. NWSA conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico, Nov. 16.
- 2013 “No Bodily Rights Worth Protecting: Transnational Circulations of Black Hypersexuality in Brazil.” Black Sexual Economies Conference. Washington U, St. Louis, MO, Sept. 28.
- 2012 “Workshop on Teaching Gender and Sexuality.” AAA, San Francisco, Nov. 16.
- 2010 “Sex Tourism and the Appropriation of Human Rights Discourses in Salvador, Brazil.” Invited Presidential Session. AAA, New Orleans, Nov. 18-21.
- 2010 “Does she do *Programas* Too?: Erotic Subjectivity in a Sexualized Field.” NWSA. Denver, Nov. 11-14.
- 2010 “Romanticizing the Foreign White Other in Salvador, Brazil.” Panel: Whiteness in Latin America. LASA, Toronto, Oct 5-7.
- 2009 “We Fall in Love and the Ships Leave’: Ambiguity, Cosmopolitanism, and the Transnationalization of Affect among Sex Workers and Foreign Travelers in Salvador, Brazil.” Panel: *Sex Industries in Global Perspective*. AAA, Philadelphia. Dec 2.
- 2009 “Pleasure and ‘Respectability’: Black Bahian Women Negotiating Erotic Autonomy.” Panel: *The Politics of Pleasure: Black Women, Intimacy, and Work in the Economies of Desire*. NWSA conference. Atlanta, GA. Nov 14.
- 2009 “Tourists Seeking Culture and Erotic Adventures in the “Sexscape” of Salvador.” Panel: *Ethnographies of ‘The Global’: Racing/Sexing the Transnational*. LASA, Rio, June 13.

#### Invited Lectures and Presentations (Selected)

- 2023 Panelist. “Zora, Katherine, and Niara: Homage to the Cultural Gatekeepers.” Women in Anthropology. African American Research Library and Cultural Center, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, Oct 13-14
- 2023 Speechifying book launch, Sisters Chapel, Sept 19
- 2023 Panelist. “Critical Perspectives on Tourism in Latin America and the Caribbean.” Latin American and Latinx Studies Center at the University of Colorado Boulder, April 17.

- 2023 “Black Feminists Fighting for Bem Viver in Salvador, Brazil.” Black Feminist Think Tank Seminar on Race and Gender, Georgia Tech, Feb 20.
- 2022 “Towards a Transnational Black Feminism: Fighting for Bem Viver in Brazil.” Black Feminisms Unfinished Symposium, University of Rochester, Sept 23
- 2022 “Black Experiences in the Academy.” UC Berkeley Summer Research Program, Jun 28
- 2022 “Race, Gender, and Sexuality in Bahia.” Fulbright, May 21.
- 2022 Conversation with Rachel Afi Quinn on her book, *Being La Dominicana: Race and Identity in the Visual Culture of Santo Domingo*. Charis Books, April. 19.
- 2022 “Fighting for Bem Viver: Black Feminist Activists Take to the Streets in Brazil.” Africana Studies Program. Lehigh University, March 10.
- 2022 Aquilombarse: Black Brazilian Feminist Activists take to the Streets for a Good Life.” Anthropology Department. American University Jan 19.
- 2021 “Niara Sudarkasa: Inspiring and Advancing Black Women’s Leadership.” Symposium: From Gloria Marshall to Yeye Olokun Igbadero: Niara Sudarkasa, Activism, Anthropology, Africa and its Diaspora. University of Michigan, Oct. 8.
- 2021-23 “Negritude Brasileira no PhD.” Associação Brasileira de Pesquisadoras Negras, Oct 9.
- 2014-2021 ***Sex Tourism in Bahia: Ambiguous Entanglements*** (compiled)  
Bowdoin College (April 21, 2021); Wesleyan University (April 14, 2021); Duke University (March 22, 2021); Dr. Asia Leeds’ *Black Women in Latin America* class, Spelman College (April 2019); *Race and Difference Colloquium Series*, James Weldon Johnson Institute, Emory University (March 2017); Dartmouth College (April 2016); Agnes Scott College (February 2016), Emory University (March 2016); Georgia State University (April 2015), Florida International University (November 2015); Kennesaw State University (October 2015); Charis Bookstore (May 21, 2014), Spelman College (April 16, 2014), University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, (February 2014), Davidson College (March 2014), Bennett College (March 2014), Duke University (February 2014); *Quilombo Ilha*. Itaparica Island, Bahia, Brazil (in Portuguese) (April 2014); *Instituto Cultural Steve Biko*, Salvador, Brazil (in Portuguese) (May 2014)
- 2021 “Engaging Gender and Sexuality Studies in the Classroom.” AUC Virtual Mellon Faculty Development Workshop #3. April 17.
- 2021 “Aquilombarse”: Black Brazilian Feminist Activists Take to the Streets for a Good Life. Emory University. Virtual. March 8
- 2021 “Writing the Impossible”: African American Studies and Critical Archival Praxis. Princeton University. Virtual. March 4.
- 2021 Conversatório: Black Politics in Latin America. Northwestern University. January 13.
- 2020 A Live Event “Citing Nothing But Facts in ‘Telling the Story Straight’: Black Feminist Intellectual Thought in Anthropology.” *Transforming Anthropology*. Virtual. Dec 2.
- 2020 “Saúde da População Negra: Uma Comparação entre Brasil e Estados Unidos no Cenário da Pandemia.” Virtual. December 3.
- 2020 IG Live Chat with Quilombo Ilha, Itaparica Island, Salvador, Brazil, Virtual. Oct. 29.
- 2020 “Pedagogia Feminista Negra.” Universidade Estadual de Feira de Santana, Brazil. Oct. 14
- 2019 “On Solidão and Solidarity: Black Feminist Activists Occupying Spaces of Power in Bahia.” University of Kentucky, November 15.
- 2019 “Ancestralidade e Aquilombamento: Black Feminist Activists in Bahia.” Brazil Initiative Lecture. Brown University. October 23.
- 2019 “Solidão e Bem Viver: Trajectories of Black Feminist Activists in Bahia.” University of Minnesota. October 7.
- 2019 “Trajectories of a Black Feminist Anthropologist in Bahia”. Universidade Federal do Recôncavo da Bahia (UFRB) Roda de Conversa, July 23.
- 2019 “Racism in Carnival.” Auburn Avenue Research Library, Atlanta, GA March 17.
- 2019 “Women’s Empowerment in Brazil.” Robert Woodruff Library, Atlanta, March 8.

- 2017 First Generation Faculty TED Talk. Spelman College, Nov. 14  
 2013 “Afro-Brazilian Feminisms: Activism, Sexuality and Religiosity in Bahia.” Keynote Speech. Toni Cade Bambara Scholar-Activism Conference (Mar. 23).  
 2011 "Ambiguous Entanglements: Sex, Race, and Tourism in Salvador, Brazil." Americas Research Group. University of Oregon, Jan. 20.

## WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

- 2023 Festival Latinidades, Brasília, Brazil, July 6-9  
 2023, 2022 ACS Summer Writing Accountability Group (WAG) Program  
 2023 Faculty Resource Network (FRN) Leadership Initiative  
 2023 CAORC Faculty Development Seminar, Senegal, Jan 5-25  
 2022 ALARI Conference, Harvard University, Dec 7-9  
 2022 BIPOC Memoir Workshop with Lori Tharps, Aug 2-4  
 2022 Hurston/Wright Writers Week Retreat (Nonfiction), Howard University, July 30-Aug. 5  
 2022 Hurston/Wright Virtual Writers Weekend Retreat (Nonfiction), Jun 17-19  
 2022 Writing your Truth: Memoir, Emory University Continuing Education, May 4-Jun 8  
 2022 Atlanta Writers Conference, May 6-7  
 2022 ACS Mid-Career Advancement Pathway Program (MAPP), Feb 4-May 20  
 2022 Memoir Class (Online), The Writers’ Studio, Jan 4-Mar 22  
 2021 Trade Publishing: Black Thought in an Anti-Black World, Webinar w/ Mark Anthony Neal (Duke) and Tanya McKinnon (McKinnon Literary) April 3  
 2021 Chair at the Table Mentoring Workshop, Jan 8.  
 2020 Gardner Institute’s High-Impact Online Teaching and Learning Practices, Jun 14-Aug 12  
 2019 Feminist Decolonial Politics workshop, UNC Charlotte, May 14-17  
 2019 Faculty Resource Network Seminar, *Women’s Activism in the Americas*, San Juan, Jan  
 2019 CIC Workshop for Department and Division Chairs, Milwaukee, WI, May 7-9  
 2018 UNCF/Mellon Faculty Seminar, *The African Diaspora in the Lusophone and Spanish-Speaking Worlds*. Portugal and Spain, July 1-12.  
 2017 Mellon Seminar New Directions in Gender and Sexuality Studies. Atlanta, Oct 12-13.  
 2014 Critical Ethnic Studies Institute, University of Maryland College Park, Jun. 26-28  
 2014 Faculty Resource Network Seminar, *The Color of Race in the Americas*, NYU, June 9-13  
 2013 Palestinian American Research Center Faculty Development Seminar, May 16-27  
 2012 Women of Color Leadership Project, National Women’s Studies Association  
 2012 Faculty Resource Network Winter Seminar, *Women of the Atlantic*, San Juan, Jan. 9-13  
 2011 UNCF/Mellon Faculty Development Seminar, *Constructing Women in the African Diaspora: Identities, Culture, and Power*, Salvador, Brazil, July.  
 2011 Faculty Resource Network Seminar - *The Global Economy*, San Juan, Jan. 9-13.  
 2010 UNCF/Mellon Faculty Development Seminar, *Archival Research on Black Public Intellectuals*, Atlanta, GA, June.  
 2010 Ms. Magazine Writers’ Workshop for Feminist Scholars, May.

## DEPARTMENT SERVICE

- 2021-22 Member, Faculty Search Committee (Anthropology/Food Studies)  
 2019 Chair, Faculty Search Committee (Sociology – Quantitative Methods)  
 2019 Chair, Faculty Search Committee (Sociology – Race and Space)  
 2019 Chair, Faculty Search Committee (Anthropology/Food Studies)  
 2017 Member, Faculty Search Committee (Anthropology)  
 2016 Member, Faculty Search Committee (Sociology)  
 2014 Member, Faculty Search Committee (Anthropology/Food Studies)



## COLLEGE SERVICE

2023	Spelman College Commencement Speaker Selection Committee
2023-26	Elected Member, Tenure and Promotions Committee
2023-24	Spelman College QEP Committee
2022-23	Spelman College Provost Search Committee
2022-24	Spelman College Faculty Marshall
2019-22	Elected Member, Curriculum Committee
2019-23	Reviewer, Institutional Review Board
2019-21	First Year Advisor
2019-pres.	Faculty Career Counselor, Career Pathways Initiative
2018	Co-Facilitator, Infusing Gender and Sexuality Studies into ADW workshop, April 21
2018-21	Council of Chairs, Spelman College
2018	Co-Director, CIEE-Spelman Intercultural Engagement Program in Lisbon, Portugal.
2017-19	Elected Member, Tenure and Promotions Committee
2016-17	Social Science Representative, Faculty Council
2016-17	Invited Member, Transgender Policy Task Force
2016-pres.	Invited Member, Title IX/Sexual Assault Committee
2010-pres.	Faculty Co-Director, Spelman Study Abroad Program in Salvador, Brazil
2013-pres.	LGBTQ Faculty Curriculum Development Steering Committee
2013	Faculty Lead, Spelman Museum “Art and Culture Tour of Brazil” (Mar.)
2011-14	Elected Member, Junior Faculty Committee
2010-18	Invited Member Study Abroad Scholarship Committee
2010-pres.	Invited Member, Women’s Research and Resource Center Steering Committee

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2022-25	Elected Secretary, National Women’s Studies Association (NWSA)
2022-25	Editorial Board, <i>Political and Legal Anthropology Review</i>
2023-25	Wenner-Gren fellowship application Reviewer
2022-23	HBCU Grants Project (Workshop at PVAMU Oct 7-9, 2022)
2021-24	Book and Film Review Editor, <i>Transforming Anthropology</i>
2020-22	Elected Member-at-Large, Governing Council of the NWSA
2020	Invited Member, NEH Review panel for Faculty Awards – “Social Sciences and History.”
2020-23	Editorial Board, <i>American Anthropologist</i>
2020-21	Review Chair, National Women’s Studies Association Conference
2019-22	Editorial Board Member, <i>Feminist Anthropology</i>
2018 –	Invited Member, Cite Black Women Collective
2017-20	Secretary (Elected). Association for Feminist Anthropology section of the American Anthropological Association. (Chair of Dissertation Grant Committee)
2017-20	Anonymous Reviewer of Book Manuscripts - University of Texas Press, University of California Press, University of Illinois Press, University of Alabama Press, University of Toronto Press, University of Pittsburgh Press, New York University Press
2017-19	Invited Member, American Association for University Women, Selection Panel.
2016-20	Contributing Editor (Invited) for the Sociology: Brazil section. <i>Handbook of Latin American Studies</i> . Washington, DC: Library of Congress.
2016-19	Invited Member, Institute of International Education Fulbright US Student National Screening Committee for Brazil
2015-17	External Reviewer for Tenure Cases - Syracuse University, Carleton University, Williams College, Bowdoin College

- 2015-18 Invited Member, Democratizing Knowledge Mellon Grant (\$500,000) in collaboration with Syracuse University, Rutgers University-Newark, and Spelman College.
- 2014-17 Member-at-Large (Elected). Association of Feminist Anthropology  
Subcommittee: Chair of Zora Neale Hurston Travel Prize
- 2014-16 Selection Committee. NWSA/University of Illinois Press First Book Prize Committee
- 2014-16 Co-Chair and Facilitator. NWSA Women of Color Leadership Project (WoCLP)
- 2011 SIT Site Visit Participant, Cochabamba and La Paz, Bolivia, Feb. 11-17
- 2010-21 Anonymous Peer Reviewer for Journals (compiled) - *American Ethnologist*, *Cultural Anthropology*, *American Anthropologist*, *Transforming Anthropology*, *Gender and Society*, *Frontiers*, *Sexualities*, *Feminist Studies*, *Feminist Formations*, *Journal of Lesbian Studies*, *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture, and Society*, *The Black Scholar: Journal of Black Studies and Research*, *African and Black Diaspora: an International Journal*, *Meridians: Feminism, Race, Transnationalism, Gender, Place, Culture: A Journal of Feminist Geography*, *Women, Gender and Families of Color*, *Jornal da Associação da Pesquisadores Negros*, *Wagadu: A Journal of Transnational Women's and Gender Studies*

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Anthropological Association (AAA)

**Sections:** Association of Black Anthropologists (ABA)

Association of Feminist Anthropologists (AFA)

National Women's Studies Association (NWSA)

Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

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

Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA)

National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity (NCFDD)

### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Advisory Board Member, VidaAfrolatina (2021-present)

Member, Cite Black Women Collective (2018-present)

### **LANGUAGES**

Portuguese (fluent), Spanish (intermediate), Yorùbá (basic), French (basic)