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### EDUCATION

The University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles *en itinere*

**Sociology, Ph.D.**

Field Specialization: Race and Ethnicity, Urban and Suburban Sociology,  
Law and Society, Critical Race Theory, Geographic Information Systems

*Qualifying Exams*

Race and Ethnicity: Vilma Ortiz, Ph.D. and Karida Brown, Ph.D. (Passed, Summer 2019)

Urban and Suburban: Marcus Hunter, Ph.D. and Edward Walker, Ph.D. (Passed, Fall 2019)

The University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA

**Sociology, M.A.**

**2019**

Thesis: "How to Carceralize a City: Black Women in the City of Angels and  
the Public Carceral Sphere"

The University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA

**African American Studies, M.A.**

**2016**

Thesis: "Under Siege: Black Women, the Choreography of Law and  
Public Carceral Sphere"

Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA

**African American Studies/History (minor), B.A.**

**2014**

Thesis: "Refugees in Exile: US Low-Income Communities of Color, the  
Powerful Elite, and Political Blitzkrieg"

Honors: Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Leadership Enterprise for a Diverse America Institute

**Summer Facilitator**

**2020-present**

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

Course: Aspects of Leadership

University of California, Los Angeles

**Summer Lecturer, Academic Advancement Program**

**2018-2019**

Courses: Interdisciplinary Academic Writing: English Comp 100W; M173 African American  
Studies/Sociology: Nonviolence & Social Movements

- University of California, Los Angeles  
**Summer Lecturer, Department of African American Studies** **2017-2019**  
 Course: Black Resistance in Trump's America: Power, Politics, and Protest
- Los Angeles Community College District (Valley & Southwest)  
**Adjunct Professor, Department of Sociology & Ethnic Studies** **2016-present**  
 Courses:  
 African Americans in Contemporary Urban Society (Afro Am 002)  
 African American in US History to 1865 (Afro Am 004)  
 African Americans in US History, 1865-Present (Afro Am 005)  
 Race and Ethnic Relations (Soc 11)
- University of California, Los Angeles  
**Teaching Associate, Department of Sociology** **Spring Quarter, 2019**  
 SOC 132 Social Psychology: Sociological Approaches
- University of California, Los Angeles  
**Teaching Associate, Department of African American Studies** **Winter Quarter, 2019**  
 M5: Social Organization of Black Communities
- University of California, Los Angeles  
**Teaching Associate, Department of Gender Studies** **Spring Quarter, 2016**  
 Gender Studies 10: Introduction to Gender Studies
- University of California, Los Angeles  
**Teaching Assistant, Department of African American Studies** **Winter Quarter, 2016**  
 African American Studies M107: Cultural History of Rap
- University of California, Los Angeles  
**Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology** **Fall Quarter, 2015**  
 Sociology 40: American Racism, A Psychosocial Analysis

## PUBLICATIONS

*(forthcoming)* Review of *The Pursuit of Happiness: Black Women, Diasporic Dreams, and the Politics of Emotional Transnationalism*  
 The Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology  
 Anticipated publishing: Fall 2020

Apparitions in the Theory: How the Science Cause Race and Gender to Matter in the Twenty-first Century  
 University of California, Irvine Law Review  
 Vol. 9, no. 5 July 2019  
<https://scholarship.law.uci.edu/ucilr/>

“Here to Stay in the Bay!': Black Trans Women of Jamaica, Gendered Duress, and the Work of Recognition”

*Gender, Health, and Society in Cotemporary Latin American and the Caribbean*  
 eds. Shir Lerman and Ronnie Shepard  
 Lexington Press, July 2019 ISBN: 978-1498572842

“Under Siege: Black Women, the Choreography of Law, and the Public Carceral Sphere”  
 Master’s Thesis  
 The University of California, Los Angeles 2016

#### COLLEGIATE FELLOWSHIPS

Graduate Council Diversity Fellowship, UCLA <b>Fellow</b>	<b>2020-2021</b>
Graduate Research Mentorship Fellowship, UCLA <b>Fellow</b>	<b>2019-2020</b>
Center for Biotechnology & Global Health Policy <b>Center Fellow</b>	<b>2018</b>
University of California, Irvine <b>Nevin Graduate Endowment Fellowship</b>	<b>2017-2018</b>
University of California, Irvine <b>Eugene V. Cota-Robles Fellowship</b>	<b>2017-2018</b>
University of California, Los Angeles <b>Gordon Hein Memorial Fellowship</b>	<b>2015-2016</b>
University of California, Los Angeles School of Law <b>Fellow</b>	<b>2015-2016</b>
University of California, Los Angeles <b>Graduate Opportunity Fellowship</b>	<b>2014-2015</b>

#### INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

University of California, Los Angeles, Graduate Student Resource Center <b>Equity, Inclusion, and Diversity Day, Coordinator</b>	<b>2017 -2018</b>
University of California, Los Angeles, Graduate Student Resource Center <b>Administrative Support/Program Representative I</b>	<b>2015-2016</b>
University of California, Los Angeles, Department of African American Studies <b>Graduate Student Body Representative</b>	<b>2016</b>
University of California, Los Angeles, Graduate Student Resource Center <b>Program Coordinator for Outreach</b>	

**Equity, Inclusion, and Diversity Day Assistant Coordinator** **2015-2016**

Robert Woodruff Library, Atlanta University Center

**Processing Archivist Intern** **2013-2014**

#### CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

Racism and Underlying Issues

**Orlando, Florida** **2020**

Central Florida Foundation

Moderator: Mark Brewer

Co-panelists: Glen Gilzean, Regina Hill, Will Jefferson, Patrice Scott, Kyle Steele

National Roundtable: In Defense of Riots

**Los Angeles, California** **2020**

Moderator: Sophia Pedroza

Co-panelists: Stephanie Jones, Rod Martinez, Chaz Briscoe, Devon Wright

An Intimate Conversation with Ruha Benjamin on Race & Technology

Feminist Majority Foundation

**Los Angeles, California** **2020**

Moderator

Dialogist: Ruha Benjamin

2019 ABS Annual Conference: Blackness in the City

**New York, New York** **2019**

Association of Black Sociologists

Chair: Affordability and Risk Displacement in Historically Black Neighborhoods

Discussant: Fred Hampton and Activism

Co-panelists: Stephanie Jones, Rod Martinez, Jessica Shotwell

Law and Society Annual Meeting: Dignity

**Washington, D.C.** **2019**

Law and Society Association

Chair and Discussant: Regulating Biotechnology

Center for Community College Partnership at UCLA

**Los Angeles, California** **2019**

University of California Los Angeles

Lecture: The Gospel According to Nipsey Hussle: A Sociological Study of a Community forced into Crisis

Black Bruin Transfer Lecture

**Los Angeles, California**

**2019**

University of California Los Angeles

Lecture: The Gospel According to Nipsey Hussle: A Sociological Study of a Community forced into Crisis

Thinking Gender 2019: Feminists Confronting the Carceral State

**Los Angeles, California**

**2019**

University of California, Los Angeles

Center for the Study of Women

Presenter: Insurgent Epistemologies: Black Women and the Public Carceral Sphere as Critical Social Theory

Women, Law, & Technology Symposium

**Irvine, California**

**2018**

University of California, Irvine

Center for Biotechnology and Global Health Policy

Presenter: Improving the Relationship between Police and Black Communities

African American History Month Celebration

**Los Angeles, California**

**2018**

Los Angeles Law Library

Discussant: Improving the Relationship between Police and Black Communities

Hate in an Era of Political Turmoil

**Irvine, California**

**2017**

University of California, Irvine

Center for Biotechnology and Global Health Policy

Chair and Discussant: Women and Hate: "Lynchings, Hate Groups, and Emmett Till"

DECADE – Competitive Edge Summer Symposium

Irvine, California

**2017**

**University of California, Irvine**

Presenter: "Insurgent Epistemologies: Gendered Jurisprudence, Mass Incarceration, and Prison Industrial Complex as Critical Social Theory"

Reflections of 13<sup>th</sup> the Film

**Valley Glenn, California**

**2017**

Los Angeles Valley College

Key Note: "Gendered Perspectives of Incarceration"

VOTE 2016

**Valley Glenn, California**

**2016**

Los Angeles Valley College

Key Note: "Voting, Difference, and Gender"

Queer Without Borders Conference

**Los Angeles, California**

**2014**

University of California, Los Angeles

Presenter: "Gully Queen: Jamaica's Social and Political Struggle with its Citizens of Differing Gender and Sexual Identities."

#### ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

Law and Society Association

**2019**

Phi Beta Kappa, Delta of Georgia

**2014**

Ankh Maat Wedjau, National Council for Black Studies

**2013**

Phi Alpha Theta (History), Rho-Epsilon Chapter

**2013**