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EDUCATION

Harvard-Radcliffe Colleges Psychology and Social Relations	1981 A.B.
University of Michigan Doctoral Program in American Civilization,	1985-1986
University of Massachusetts, Boston American Studies	1993 A.M.
Boston College History Dissertation: "White Gloves, Black Rebels: The Decline of Elite Black National Political Leadership in Boston, 1870-1929."	2004 Ph.D.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, 2013-
Assistant Professor, 2004-2013, **Instructor**, 2000-2004, **Visiting Instructor**,
1997-2000, **Adjunct Dean for Academic Advising**, 1997-1998, **Adjunct
Professor**, 1996, Department of History, Wheaton College, Norton, MA.
Adjunct Professor, Lesley University, 1994-, Lesley University, Cambridge, MA.
Grader, 1997, Boston College.
Verbal Instructor and Tutor for the SAT, 1989-1991, Princeton Review.
Teaching Assistant, Harvard and Radcliffe Colleges, 1981-84, Departments of
Biology and Psychology.

PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS, CHAPTERS, ARTICLES

*White Gloves, Black Rebels: The Political Transformation of Elite Black Women
in Boston, 1870-1929*, (manuscript in progress).

"A Gilded Cage: The Political Expression of Elite Black Women in Boston, 1880-
1920, *The Historical Journal of Massachusetts* (currently under revision).

Crossing Borders, Making Homes: Stories of Resilient Women, (co-editor)

PUBLICATIONS (CONT'D)

Frederick, MD: Publish America, 2009.

“A Gilded Cage: The Post Emancipation Effects of Race, Class and Gender on the Political Expression of Elite Blacks in Boston, 1880-1920.” *Proceedings*, (panel: “Generations of Reform: New England Women Confronting Class, Race and Gender from the Antebellum Era to the Gilded Age”) The Berkshire History of Women Conference, UMass/Amherst, 2011.

“The Post Emancipation Effects of Race, Class, and Gender on Elite Black Women in Boston.” *Proceedings*, Conference, African Americans in Boston: From Slavery to Today: A Symposium in Honor of Adelaide M. Cromwell & The 40th Anniversary of the Founding of African American Studies at Boston University, Boston: 2009.

“The Post Emancipation Effects of Race, Class, and Gender on Elite Black Women in Boston.” *Proceedings*, National Association of African American Studies Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. 2009.

“The Gilded Cage: The Struggle to Define a New Black Identity during the Gilded Age and Progressive Era,” *Proceedings*, National Association of African American Studies Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 2008.

“The Posse Program at Wheaton College,” (co-author), in *The SEM Anthology* Michelle Rodgers, Heather Zimar, eds. Washington: American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, 2004

“Gender, Race, Class and the Black Feminist Classroom,” *Proceedings*, 5th International Symposium, Women in the 21st Century, University of Havana, 2003

“Narratives of the Diaspora: The ‘Re-Norming’ of the United States” *Proceedings*, 4th International Symposium, Women in the 21st Century, University of Havana, 2001.

Robert Weisbrot, *Freedom Bound: A History of America’s Civil Rights Movement*, (title page credited research assistance), New York: Norton & Co., 1989

“Celebrating Dr. King’s Birthday: A Legacy of Confrontation and Conciliation,” *The New Republic*, January 30, 1984, by Robert Weisbrot with credited research assistance by Dolita Cathcart

PUBLICATIONS: BOOK REVIEWS

Debra A. Reid and Evan P. Bennett, eds. *Beyond Forty Acres and a Mule: African American Landowning Families since Reconstruction*, *Florida Historical Quarterly*, forthcoming, Fall 2013.

Erik S. McDuffie, *Sojourning for Freedom: Black Women, American Communism, and the Making of Black Left Feminism*, *History: Reviews of New Books*, 40:3, (June/July 2012), 80-81.

Alton Hornsby, Jr., *African Americans in the Post-Emancipation South: The Outsider's View*, *The Journal of Southern History*, Volume LXXVIII, No. 2, (May 2012), 484-485.

"Rebel with a Cause," a review of Mark Abendroth, *Rebel Literacy: Cuba's National Literacy Campaign and Critical Global Citizenship*, *Radical Teacher*, Number 89, (Winter 2010), 72-74.

Jo-Anne Lee and John S. Lutz, "Situating 'Race' and Racisms in Space, Time and Theory: Critical Essays for Activists and Scholars," *Contemporary Justice Review*, 11:1, (March 2008), 67-68.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"A Gilded Cage: The Post Emancipation Effects of Race, Class and Gender on the Political Expression of Elite Blacks in Boston, 1880-1920." (panel: "Generations of Reform: New England Women Confronting Class, Race and Gender from the Antebellum Era to the Gilded Age")
The Berkshire History of Women Conference, UMass/Amherst, 2011.

"The Post Emancipation Effects of Race, Class, and Gender on Elite Black Women in Boston." Conference: African Americans in Boston: From Slavery to Today: A Symposium in Honor of Adelaide M. Cromwell & The 40th Anniversary of the Founding of African American Studies at Boston University, 2009.

"The Post Emancipation Effects of Race, Class, and Gender on Elite Black Women in Boston." National Association of African American Studies Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, February 13, 2009.

"The Gilded Cage: The Struggle to Define a New Black Identity during the Gilded Age and Progressive Era," National Association of African American Studies Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, February 13, 2008.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, CONT.

- Panelist: “The Feminist Classroom: Integrating Feminist Pedagogy into the University Curriculum,” 5th International Symposium, Women in the 21st Century, University of Havana, 2003.
- “The Black Middle Class of Boston,” New England Historical Association, Bourne, Massachusetts, 2002.
- “Dialogues Across Difference in the Classroom,” National Association of Women in Education, New Orleans, 2000.
- “Using Identity Development Models as an Approach to Addressing Issues of Race, Class, and Gender in Graduate Clinical Training and Educational Programs.” (co-presenter), Association for Women in Psychology, Southern Regional Conference, Hilton Head, SC, 1996.
- “The Use of Identity Development Models as Tools to Address Racism, Sexism, Classism, and Homophobia in the Classroom and Clinical Settings,” (co-presenter), Association for Women in Psychology, Annual Conference, Portland, ME, 1996.
- “Using Racial Identity Development Theory for the Training and Retention of Students of Color in Clinical Training Programs,” (co-presenter), Association for Women in Psychology, Annual Conference, Seattle, Washington, 1995.
- “Teaching African American History to a Predominantly White Audience,” (co-presenter), National Association for Multicultural Education, St. Paul, MN, 1995.

PUBLIC HISTORY PRESENTATIONS

- Wheaton College, LGBTQA staff and faculty panel, 2013.
- Somerville High School, spring lecture: “College: The First Year,” 2011.
- Somerville High School, fall lecture: “Applying to College,” 2010.
- Wheaton College Alumnae/i College Lecture Series, “The Gilded Cage: The Political Transformation of Boston’s Black Elites in the Late Nineteenth Century.” 2010

PUBLIC HISTORY PRESENTATIONS (CONT'D.)

my2cents, Multicultural Film Series, "Bell Hooks: Cultural Criticism and Transformation," Lesley University Black History Month, February 17, 2010.

"One Book, One Holliston," guest speaker, "The Legacy of Jim Crow America," Holliston, Massachusetts, February 4, 2010.

"Mary Shelly's "Frankenstein" and the Abolitionist Movement," guest lecture, Professor Jason Reiss' "Horror" First Year Seminar, Wheaton College, October 21, 2009.

"The Birth, Legacy, and Historical Significance of Prince Hall," keynote, Dedication Ceremony of the Prince Hall Monument, First Church Congregational, Cambridge, Massachusetts, September 12, 2009.

"If it Wasn't for the Women" keynote address given on the occasion of the Bicentennial Celebration of Prince Hall Masonic Lodges, Boston, Massachusetts, November 23, 2008.

"The History of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee," a presentation to the HERO program, Wheaton College, April, 2008.

Wheaton College, LGBTQ Pride Week speakers panel, April 2008.

Moderator, Social Justice panel honoring the life's work of retiring Dean of Students, Sue Alexander, Wheaton College, April, 2008.

"Revolution," Wheaton College Alumni College presentation: Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Seattle, 2007; Washington, 2006.

"The Health Effects of Aikido for a Balanced Life," Wheaton College, Asian History Week, 2006

"The Transformative Properties of Global and Cross-Cultural Experiences," Wheaton College Global Advisory Committee, National Press Club, Washington, 2006.

"Making Connections Through Social Justice: Student Activism at Wheaton (and Beyond)," panel moderator, Wheaton College Homecoming, 2005.

"Revolution," Wheaton College Alumnae/i College lecture, 2005.

"Black Triumphalism," lecture to prospective students and parents, Wheaton College, 2005.

PUBLIC HISTORY PRESENTATIONS (CONT'D.)

“Infusing Race, Class and Gender in the Sciences.” Wheaton College, Math and Computer Sciences Department, 2005.

“Infusing Race, Class and Gender in History.” Faculty Development presentation, Wheaton College, 2004.

Moderator, “Diversity and Wheaton College,” Prospective Student and Parent presentation, 2004.

Panelist, “Its No Longer Just About Black and White,” Tufts University, 2002

Faculty Development Presentation on Universidad de Habana, Conference, Lesley University, 2002.

Panelist: “Narratives from the Diaspora: Women Making Homes.” University of Havana, 4th International Symposium, Women in the 21st Century, 2001.

Panelist: “Academia and Activism: The Myth of the Ivory Tower,” The 2001 Otis Social Justice Symposium Honoring Howard Zinn, Howard Zinn, commenter, Wheaton College, 2001.

Moderator: “Chew on This! Diversity at Wheaton College,” Wheaton College, 2000.

Panelist: “The First Wave of Feminism,” The 2000 Otis Social Justice Symposium Honoring Gloria Steinem, panelist, Gloria Steinem, commentator, Wheaton College 2000.

Moderator: “What is Diversity?” Wheaton College, 1999.

Presenter: National Association for Multicultural Education, Orlando FL, 1999.

Presentation: “Devising a Strategic Plan for the Recruitment and Retention of Students and Staff,” Lesley College Committee on Recruitment and Retention, 1998.

“Teaching African American History to a Predominantly White Audience,” Chapter One Conference, Hyannis, MA, 1995; Fall River Board of Education, Fall River, MA, 1995.

“Women’s Voices: An Examination of Affirmative Action through Case Studies,” Lesley College, Cambridge, 1995.

“The Recruitment and Retention of Ethnic and Racial Minorities: An Examination of Demographic Trends,” Lesley College, Cambridge MA, Corporator’s Meeting, 1994.

“Racism in America,” Introduction to Intercultural Relations, guest lecture, Lesley College, Cambridge MA, 1993.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Editorial reviewer, Palgrave Publishing on BMM and Miami’s Militant Movement, 2013.

Consultant and Humanities Adviser, Northern Light Productions, for their film: “Birth of a Movement.” Currently applying for NEH funding, 2012.

Editorial reviewer, Bedford/St. Martin, on African American history, 2010-.

Editorial reviewer on the Civil Rights Movement, CQ Press, A Division of Sage Press, 2010

Editorial Board, Prodesse et Delectare, a blind, peer review online journal of the Universidad de Córdoba, 2010-present.

Advisory Board, Schools For the Future, 2010-present.

Program Reviewer, Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies*, 2008.

Editorial Board, Peer Reviewer, *Radical Teacher*, 2008-present.

Undergraduate Thesis Adviser, Lesley College, 2000-present.

Coordinator of Minority Recruitment and Retention, Associate Director of Graduate Admissions. Lesley College, Cambridge MA, 1993-1996.

Acting Director of Admissions, reporting to the Dean of Students.

Harvard School of Public Health, 1991-1993.

Admissions Counselor, Harvard School of Public Health, Harvard University

Presidential Administrative Fellow, 1990-1991.

WHEATON SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Wheaton College Representative, the College Board, 2013-2016.

Faculty Advisor, Black Students Association, 2013-2014.

Faculty Advisor, Safe Haus, 2013-2014.

Education Policy Committee, chair, 2013-2014.
 Education Policy Committee, elected member, 2012-2015.
 Area Coordinator, Untenured Faculty Organization, 2011-12.
 Faculty Advisor, Peace and World Consciousness House, 2010-14.
 “The Living History of Interculturalism,” panelist, April 1, 2009.
 Coordinator, Untenured Faculty Organization, 2008-09.
 Women’s Studies Advisory Committee, 2007-08.
 Trinidad-Tobago program, faculty chaperone, 2007.
 Provost’s Ad Hoc Advisory Committee, 2006-2007.
 Watson Fellowship Selection Committee, 2003-10.
 Faculty mentor to Posse mentors, 2005-08.
 Provost Search Committee, 2005-06.
 Untenured Faculty Organization (UFO), Founder, 2005-2006.
 President’s Advisory Committee on Inclusive Excellence, 2005 to 2007.
 Hewlett Faculty Mentor, 2004.
 Wheaton Posse One Mentor, 2000-2004.
 African, African American Diaspora Studies, student advisor, 2000-present.
 Advisor, undergraduate honors thesis, History Department, 2000-present.
 Advisor to special majors, 2000-present.

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Wheaton College,
 Hoyte Fellowship in History, 2008.
 Visionary Award, presented April 12, 2008, “Building Bridges:
 A Conference Celebrating Wheaton Alumni of Color.”
 Mars Faculty/Student Research Stipend, 2006.
 Hewlett Connection Grant recipient, 2004, 2003, 2002.
 Hoyte Fellowship in History, 2003.
 King Connection Grant recipient, 2001.
 Boston College
 Tuition Scholarship 2004.
 Graduate Fellowship 1995-2000.
 Harvard University
 Presidential Administrative Fellowship 1990-1991.
 University of Michigan

Minority Graduate Fellowship 1985-1986.
Harvard College
Harvard National Scholar 1977-1981.
Harvard Club of New York City Scholar 1977-1981.
The Robert E. Curran Scholar 1977-1981.
National Maritime Union Scholarship 1977-1981.
National Federation of Teachers Scholarship 1977-1981.
New York State Regents Scholarship 1977.
The Hackett Award for Speech 1977.

PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER MEMBERSHIPS

National Association of African American Studies
American Historical Association
Organization of American Historians
New England Historical Association