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Curriculum Vitae

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Durham, NC

EDUCATION

2004 Ph.D., History, Howard University, Washington, DC

1997 M.A., History, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC

1994 B.A., History, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC

ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

North Carolina Central University - Durham, NC

2025 - Current

North Carolina Central University (NCCU) serves a diverse student body of 9,160 with 1,594 graduate students and holds the distinction of being the nation's oldest state-supported liberal arts institution for Black students. As a public university, NCCU offers a comprehensive range of academic programs at the baccalaureate, master's, professional, and doctoral levels. Recognized as a premier global institution of higher learning, NCCU provides 31 master's degree programs, 46 certificate programs, and two doctoral programs, and is home to a distinguished School of Law.

Interim Associate Provost and Dean for the School of Graduate Studies

The Associate Provost and Dean is an executive role that provides strategic leadership and management for all graduate and professional education, directing the School of Graduate Studies and reporting to the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

Key Responsibilities

- **Strategic and Academic Leadership:** Serve as a vocal advocate for graduate education, shaping its strategic direction in alignment with the university's mission to produce culturally sensitive, engaged leaders. Develop and implement the strategic plan for the School of Graduate Studies, review and approve all new graduate programs, and oversee the academic content of existing programs in collaboration with deans, department chairs, and faculty. Administer university-wide policies affecting graduate education, including those related to admissions, academic standards, probation, and dismissal, and ensure that all graduate programs meet internal and external accreditation standards. Establish qualifications for and approve the appointment of members of the Graduate Faculty.
- **Operational and Administrative Oversight:** Oversee graduate student recruitment, admissions, and orientation processes to maintain high academic and enrollment standards. Administer **Recruitment** and manage all budgets assigned to the School of Graduate Studies. Administer the university-wide graduate assistantship program and allocate annual assistantship and tuition remission funding.
- **Student, Retention, and Support:** Lead initiatives to recruit, retain, and support a diverse body of graduate students. Provide orientation programs, advising, mentoring, and support services to ensure the successful matriculation and graduation of students. Advise and support the Graduate Student Association, serving as a liaison between graduate students and university administration.
- **External Relations and Fundraising:** Ensure compliance with accreditation standards, including those of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). Participate in fundraising and

development efforts to secure support for graduate programs. Represent North Carolina Central University (NCCU) at meetings of external bodies, such as the North Carolina Council of Graduate Deans.

Major Accomplishments:

- Spearheaded a multi-channel social media, email, and phone graduate student Stop Out campaign in collaboration with EAB to optimize recruitment efforts, successfully driving an overall 2% increase in admissions through proactive institutional outreach and engagement.
- On boarded Liaison as the strategic Enrollment Management enterprise partner for the School of Graduate Studies, expanding the university's technical infrastructure to support modernized recruitment and scaled admissions operations. Managed the high-level system procurement, cross-divisional technical alignment, and vendor implementation to institutionalize data-driven, high-touch enrollment strategies across all graduate programs.
- Conceptualized and co-engineered the Purpose-to-Profession (P2P) Exchange: The Eagle Professional Tier, establishing a historic, milestone as the first workforce readiness initiative in higher education in collaboration with the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) at the national level and with SHRM North Carolina leadership.
- Structured and deployed a 12-contact-hour curriculum to yield 0.9 institutional CEUs and a verified Parchment digital badge credential; integrated AI career navigation and DiSC profiling mapped to NACE competencies aligned with the SHRM BASK® framework to connect graduate student and alumni cohorts directly with global corporate, non-profit, and government recruiters. These competencies yield 0.9 institutional CEUs and a market-validated Parchment digital badge credential for graduate students and alumni who complete the professional development series.
- Led the university-wide transition from paper-based operations to NextGen digital forms, orchestrating a systematic workflow across department levels, academic schools and colleges, the School of Graduate Studies, and the University Registrar's Office. This process optimization maximized institutional efficiency and scaled cross-divisional work production by 90%.
- Conceptualized and implemented the "Majors-to-Masters" Direct Admissions pilot in collaboration with Liaison, a historic enrollment management framework that removes traditional application barriers for graduating seniors. The program automatically admits qualified undergraduates with a 3.0 minimum GPA into aligned master's programs to decisively strengthen the undergraduate-to-graduate pipeline starting Fall 2026.
- Designed and deployed an omni-channel student engagement strategy utilizing personalized multi-channel marketing and tailored acceptance portfolios to scale graduate enrollment yield; systematically identified and initial pilot cohort of 522 qualifying students to optimize internal recruitment across 14 distinct graduate degree tracks.
- Designed and deployed a centralized Graduate School data analytics dashboard in strategic collaboration with the Office of Institutional Research and Analysis to institutionalize data-informed enrollment management. The business intelligence platform provides graduate programs with immediate macro-insights, including longitudinal admissions trends, cross-semester registration yields, and year-over-year program growth metrics.
- Co-designed a predictive data tracking dashboard in collaboration with the Office of Institutional Research and Analysis within the centralized platform to monitor applicant conversion patterns and evaluate the fiscal and operational effectiveness of targeted recruitment initiatives to be launched Fall 2026. This infrastructure standardizes cross-divisional performance metrics, enabling academic deans and department chairs to dynamically align recruitment strategies with institutional enrollment goals.
- Spearheaded end-to-end implementation of InternXL- negotiated the partnership, onboarded the AI-driven platform, and managed the rollout in collaboration with the Career and Professional

Development Center to connect students with paid internships and career-readiness resources.
Launch Fall 2026

- Launched the adoption of Writsea, an AI-powered career readiness platform, equipping students with tools for resume building, cover letter writing, interview preparation, and salary negotiation.
Launch Fall 2026

Associate Dean, School of Graduate Studies

2023 - 2025

Provides senior academic and administrative leadership for the School of Graduate Studies, guiding strategic efforts to enhance student outcomes, operational efficiency, and cross-campus collaboration. This role advances institutional priorities around access, innovation, and inclusive excellence while fostering a high-achieving graduate culture rooted in equity and professional development.

Key Responsibilities:

- Partner with the Associate Provost and Dean to implement strategic priorities focused on expanding enrollment pipelines, advancing student success, and aligning graduate programming with workforce trends.
- Lead the Graduate Student Association, overseeing resource allocation, student engagement, and travel funding to foster leadership development and civic participation.
- Serve as a principal liaison for SGS across internal and external constituencies, cultivating partnerships that enhance the visibility and impact of graduate education.
- Oversee operational functions of SGS, including academic records, assistantship processes, and retention initiatives grounded in data-informed decision-making.
- Collaborate with academic units to design responsive and innovative graduate programs that reflect market demand and institutional strengths.
- Champion equitable student access to comprehensive academic, wellness, and career resources through coordinated support strategies.
- Act as a university-wide advocate for graduate students, shaping a culture of belonging and advancing a mission of academic and social mobility.

Major Accomplishments:

- Launched the digitization of all SGS forms through Next Gen, improving access and processing timelines.
- Streamlined submission workflows in ProQuest for theses and dissertations, increasing efficiency and academic compliance.
- Modernized the official Theses, Projects, and Dissertations Writing Guide to enhance clarity and academic integrity.
- Prepared comprehensive assessment reports for 2021–2024 to support data-driven continuous improvement.
- Chaired the Graduate Council’s Student Affairs Committee, strengthening shared governance and student advocacy.
- Led SGS to an 85% retention rate by initiating targeted engagement and support interventions.
- Expanded participation in the Graduate Undergraduate Research Symposium by 40% through inclusive programming and outreach.
- Launched NCCU’s inaugural Three Minute Thesis event, aligning graduate visibility with national best practices.

Chair and Professor, Department

2012 - 2023

Provided comprehensive academic and operational leadership for a dynamic department within the College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities. Led curriculum innovation, faculty development, resource

management, and strategic planning in support of student success and institutional distinction. Oversaw 10 tenure-track faculty, 2 fixed-term faculty, 4 adjunct faculty, and 1 administrative assistant.

Key Responsibilities:

- Fostered cross-departmental partnerships and served as liaison with college administration, student affairs, and university services to drive retention and holistic student development.
- Directed academic planning, curriculum design, and program evaluation at undergraduate and graduate levels, incorporating emerging technologies and inclusive pedagogies.
- Recruited, retained, and mentored faculty to ensure excellence in teaching, research, and service aligned with university goals.
- Managed department's \$1.16M budget and NCCU Foundation account to support strategic and philanthropic initiatives.
- Convened monthly faculty meetings to address pedagogical innovations, curricular updates, and professional development.
- Implemented strategic plans that advanced enrollment growth, academic quality, and faculty-student collaboration.
- Acted as ambassador for departmental interests across internal governance structures and external academic and cultural organizations.
- Prepared institutional reports and represented departmental achievements to college and university leadership.

Major Accomplishments:

- Drove overall graduation rates between 2014 and 2024, the unit graduated 110 African American History BA majors, which is more than any other university in the state.
- Drove four-year graduation rates from 44.3 percent for the Fall 2014 cohort to 73.5 percent for the Fall 2019 cohort.
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- Partnered with senior leadership to grow graduate and undergraduate enrollment by 6% (2022); improved retention by 50% and increased graduation rates to 50% (four- and five-year).
- Elevated department to national prominence: Ranked #2 for B.A. degrees and #4 for M.A. degrees awarded to African American students (2019–2020); ranked #1 among HBCUs in 2017.
- Facilitated entry of 51 graduate students (33 completed, 18 in progress) and five undergraduates into top-tier Ph.D. programs; recognized by the AHA with the 2014 Equity Award.
- Raised over \$250K in alumni support, including \$176K from the Class of 1994, \$75K in named scholarships, and two \$25K endowments; secured a \$10K gift from Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.
- Established JD/MA in History joint degree with NCCU School of Law, strengthening interdisciplinary and pre-professional pathways.
- Launched partnerships with GoDurham, National Parks Service, NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, and Durham History Museum to expand experiential learning.

- Created Public History Lab (2023) with a Drone Center, Podcast Station, and Oral History Studio to support community-engaged research and digital humanities which generated a \$50,000 Endowed naming gift for the Department of History.
- Devised strategic branding and recruitment plan that increased program visibility through media and digital platforms.
- Hosted the 2019 North Carolina Historians Association Conference, showcasing departmental leadership in regional academic networks.
- Led successful nominations for Faculty Emeritus designations honoring five retired/deceased

colleagues.

- Delivered live streamed lectures through ASALH TV and Facebook, promoting public scholarship and community engagement.

Interim Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts

2010-2011

Supported the Dean by overseeing operations, policy review, and student services across eight academic departments, ensuring alignment with institutional priorities. Provided executive leadership for academic advising, student appeals, and retention-focused programming during a critical period of transformation.

Key responsibilities:

- Streamlined academic and administrative processes to improve efficiency, service quality, and student satisfaction across the College.
- Directed data collection and analysis of learning outcomes and program metrics to drive institutional assessment efforts.
- Resolved academic issues, managed course exceptions, and facilitated registration for non-standard course formats.
- Coordinated scholarships, strategic planning initiatives, and high-level reporting for accreditation and institutional review.
- Provided executive oversight of Art, English and Mass Communications, History, Modern Foreign Languages, Music, Theatre, Aerospace Studies, and Military Science.
- Responded to student concerns with equity-focused resolutions and implemented holistic support strategies.
- Represented the College with internal and external stakeholders, including alumni, parents, civic leaders, and campus partners.
- Developed data-informed retention strategies and academic interventions to enhance persistence and completion.
- Contributed to the alignment of college goals with university-wide strategic objectives through inclusive leadership.

ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2025 – 2026 **Fulbright International Educator Administrator**, First Two Country Cohort (Senegal and France)

2023 - Present **Professor of History**, Department of History, North Carolina Central University

2022 - Present **Faculty Affiliate**, Samuel DuBois Cook Center on Social Equity, Duke University

2012 - 2020 **Chair and Associate Professor**, Department of History, North Carolina Central University

2004 - 2007 **Assistant Professor**, Department of History, North Carolina Central University

2000 - 2004 **Visiting Lecturer**, Department of History, North Carolina Central University

1999 **Political Intern**, United States Department of State, Nairobi, Kenya

1998 **Ralph J. Bunche Library Fellow**, United States Department of State

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

2026 **MSI Leaders Lab, The Hunt Institute, Inaugural Cohort**

2024 **American Academic Leadership Institute, Mastering the Presidential Search Process**

2024 **MSI Aspiring Leaders Presidential Preparation Program, Fourth Cohort**, The Rutgers Center for Minority Serving Institutions (CMSI)

2020 - 2021 **UNC System Executive Leadership Institute, First Cohort**

MILITARY EXPERIENCE

1985 - 1989 **United States Marine Corps**, Served in Norway, England, Japan and Korea
Meritoriously promoted private first class

BOARD SERVICE

2024 Present **Carolina Uplift Foundation, Sixth District Omega Psi Phi Fraternity**, North and South Carolina

2024 - Present **National Register Advisory Committee, State Historic Preservation Office**
North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources

2022 - Present **Museum of Durham History, Board of Directors**
Exhibits & Education Committee

GRANT AWARD

2025 - \$485,111 Grant Walton Foundation, Co-Principle Investigator, “Inspiring the Next Generation: Supporting Future Educators through Career Pathways Research and Engagement. The purpose of this project is to conduct a mixed-methods study examining barriers to access to higher education and career pathways for opportunity youth, individuals aged 16-24, and in particular men, in the North Carolina Research Triangle.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSE

2023 Indiana University, The Fundraising School @ Lilly School of Philanthropy, Managing a Capital Campaign

PUBLICATIONS & RESEARCH PROJECTS

Books

- T. McMickens, **Harper, J.C.**, R. Gavin, J. Moody. (Forthcoming 2026) *Understanding Education as a Career Choice for Men: Critical Insights from a Study of North Carolina Research Triangle Youth*. United Kingdom: Taylor Francis.
- M. Hobson, E. Cole, **Harper, J.C.** D. Alridge. (2025) *With Faith in God and Heart and Mind: A History of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.* Chapel Hill: UNC Press.
- **Harper, J.C.**, Johnson, C., Hargrove, J., & Frazier, T. (Eds.). (2016). *Topics in the African Diaspora*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt Publishers.
- **Harper, J.C.** (2006) *Western-Educated Elites in Kenya, 1900-1963: The African American Factor*. New York, NY: Routledge.

Book Chapters

- **Harper, J.C.** (2016). “*When Knowledge Becomes Power: Western Education and the Emergence of Western-Educated Resistance in Kenya, 1840-1950.*” Jim C. Harper, II, Charles Johnson, Jarvis Hargrove, Tony Frazier (Editors). *Topics in African Diaspora History*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt.
- **Harper, J.C.** (2016). “*Kenyan Nationalism and the Architects of the Kenyan Student Airlifts.*” Jim C. Harper, II, Charles Johnson, Jarvis Hargrove, Tony Frazier (Editors). *Topics in African Diaspora History*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt.
- **Harper, J.C.** (2011). “*Educating Mr. Obama: Western Educated Elites and Kenya’s Quest for Higher Education.*” In E. Clark-Lewis (Ed.), *Synergy: Public History at Howard University*.

Washington, D.C.: A.P. Foundation Press.

Refereed Journal Articles

- **Harper, J.C.**, Nina Smith, Che Smith, and Deja Young (2020) “Don’t Shoot! State-Wide Police Shootings, Adolescent Risk-Taking Behaviors, And the Historic Influence of Wealth,” *Advances in Advances in Social Sciences Research Journal*, vol. 7, number7, July 2020.
- **Harper, J.C.** (2019) “*African Immigrants in the United States: Education, African Brain Drain, and Transnationalism on the Future of Africa*,” *Liberian Studies Journal*. vol. 39, number 2, January 2019.
- **Harper, J.C.** (2017) Tom Mboya and the African Student Airlifts: Inclusion, Equity, and Higher Education Among Kenyan Women and Men. *Africology: The Journal of Pan African Studies*, vol. 10, no. 9 October 2017.
- **Harper, J.C.** (2011). *Education for Black Liberation: The Kenyan Student Experience, 1950-1963*. *Africological Perspectives*, 7 (1).

Book Review

- **Harper, J.C.** (2009) [Review of the book *The African American Quest for Institutions of Higher Education Before the Civil War: The Forgotten Histories of the Ashmun Institute, Liberia College and Avery College*, by R. W. Irvine.] *Liberian Studies Journal*, 34 (2), 121-123.

Established Public History Partnerships

- National Parks Service- HBCU Initiative
- Greening Youth Foundation
- North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources
- Durham History Museum
- GoDurham
- GoTriangle

Community Engaged Research

- **Producer**, *The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity’s Star-Studded Beta Phi Chapter’s 100 Years of Service and Brotherhood Documentary*, August 2024. [View Project](#)
- **Producer**, *The Mighty Sixth District Shapes History* (North and South Carolina Chapters), Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., History Documentary, April 2024. [View Project](#)
- **Producer**, *Grand Reflections Oral History Project Part II*, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., January 2024. [View Project](#)
- **Producer**, *Grand Reflections Oral History Project Part I*, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., November 2020. [View Part I](#) | [View Alternate Link](#)
- **Designer**, *Sixth District Oral History Project Digital Media Hub*, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., 2023. [View Project](#)
- **Co-curator**, *Diversity Workforce Oral History Project*, National Parks Service, 2022. [View Project](#)
- Completed, *Podcast Institute*, National Humanities Center, June 2021.
- **Co-curator**, *Durham Memories Digital Exhibit*, Durham’s North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Building, 2019. [View Exhibit](#)
- **Co-Curator**, *Durham Digital Mapping Oral History Project: Explore Durham Historic Tours*, 2019. [View Project](#)
- **Collaborator**, *Durham Beginnings Website*, Partnership with Durham History Museum, 2015. [View Website](#)
- **Co-Curator**, *North Carolina Central University Students and Social Justice Through the Years Wall Exhibit*, 2nd Floor Edmonds Classroom Building, NCCU, 2014.

- **Curator**, *Our History, Our Legacy Pictorial Wall Display*, Edmonds Classroom Building Conference Room, NCCU, 2013.
- **Curator**, *Department of History Chairmen and Chairwomen Display*, Edmonds Classroom Building, NCCU, 2012.

Mini-Documentary Projects Produced

The mini-documentary series, developed by the Department of History's Mini-Documentary Lab, uses a Public History approach to share North Carolina Central University's rich legacy through digital media.

Featured Documentaries:

- [Julius Chambers](#)
- [Sunshine Anderson](#)
- [Leon Pendarvis](#)

Additional Resource: [Trailer: Civil Rights Movement in Durham, NC](#)

SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS

- Founders' Lifetime Achievement Award, Beta Phi Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Recipient, 2025
 - Mr. North Carolina Central University Alumni – Led Royal Court to raise \$77,000, the highest amount in university history. 2022
 - North Carolina Central University Distinguished Alumni Award. 2021
 - Colonel Charles Young Trailblazer Award, National Afro-American Museum and Cultural Center, National Parks Service, and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., 2020
 - Mellon Sawyer Faculty Fellow, Duke University. 2020–Present
 - Star-Studded Award, Beta Phi Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., 2019
 - Co-chaired NCCU Class of 1994 fundraising effort, raising over \$176,000 for student scholarships. 2019
 - Honorary Induction, Sigma Tau, National Honor Society. 2019
 - University of North Carolina System Board of Governors Excellence in Teaching Award (\$12,500). 2014
 - Chairman's Choice Letitia Woods Brown Article Award, Association of Black Women Historians. 2012
 - Spectacular Magazine Man of the Year in Education. 2010
 - Omega Man of the Year, Sixth District, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. 2009
 - Omega Man of the Year, Beta Phi Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. 2008
 - Superior Service Award, Beta Phi Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., 2007
 - Recognized as one of NCCU's Best Teachers by Campus Echo (student newspaper). 2007
 - Named an Outstanding Professor at NCCU Under 40 by NCCU NOW (University magazine). 2007
 - Scholarly Achievement Award, NCCU Faculty Senate. 2007
 - NCCU Award for Teaching Excellence. 2006
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SELECTED INVITED TALKS & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **“With Faith In God and Heart and Mind: A History of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity,”** Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Carter G. Woodson Luncheon, Atlanta Georgia, Panel Discussion 2026
- **"Developing an Effective Leader"**, Panelist, Inaugural Leaders BEingLED Summit, Goldsboro, NC. 2024
- **“HBCUs and Transformative Potential for Public History,”** Roundtable Presentation with North Carolina Central University and Prairie View A&M University, National Council of Public History, Atlanta, Georgia. 2023
- **"Juneteenth and the Evolution of Durham’s Black Wall Street"**, Presentation, Sealed Air, Charlotte, NC. 2023
- **"History and Impact: The Case for HBCUs"**, Panel Presentation, The Samuel DuBois Cook Center on Social Equity, Duke University. 2023
- **"More than a Slogan: Understanding the Historical Context of Black Lives Matter"**, Presentation, Global Endowment Management, North Carolina Central University, and National Humanities Center. 2023
- **"Podcasting as a Method to Connect the Public to Community History"**, Presentation, American Historical Association, Philadelphia, PA. 2023
- **"Diasporic Connections"**, Presentation, Introduction to Africana Studies, UNC Greensboro. 2022
- **"Budget Healing: Durham History and Reconciliation"**, Panelist, Durham City and County (Virtual). 2021
- **"Let’s Discuss The 1619 Project"**, Panelist, Black History Month Keynote Panel, Booz Allen Hamilton (Virtual). 2021
- **"A Historical Perspective of Black Wall Street in Durham, North Carolina"**, Presentation, Sixth District, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. (Virtual). 2021
- **"The Life and Legacy of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr."**, Presentation, Vance Granville Community College Men’s Achievement Center (Virtual). 2021
- **"Carter G. Woodson and the History of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity"**, Presidential Session, 105th Annual Meeting, Association for the Study of African American Life and History (Virtual). 2020
- **"Durham’s Black Wall Street"**, Keynote Speaker, National Mary Potter Club, Shaw Museum, Oxford, NC. 2020
- **"HBCUs Role in Higher Education"**, Panelist, National Humanities Center Graduate Student Summer Residency Program. 2020
- **"Black Durham: An Often-Forgotten Black Wall Street"**, 104th Annual Meeting, Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Charleston, SC. 2019
- **"African Immigrants in the United States: Education, Brain Drain, and Transnationalism"**, National Black Studies Conference, New Orleans, LA. 2019
- **"Black History: Past, Present, and Future"**, Panelist, Cisco, Research Triangle Park, NC. 2018
- **"Importance of Black History"**, Keynote Speaker, Liberty Chapel Church, Moncure, NC. 2017
- **"It Is Your Time"**, Commencement Speaker, Graham High School, Graham, NC. 2016
- **"Black Wall Street: Durham and the Hayti Community"**, Panelist, 15th Annual African American Cultural Celebration, Raleigh, NC. 2016
- **"Slave Gardens to Black Wall Street: Durham and the Hayti Community"**, Keynote Speaker, Office of the Governor, Raleigh, NC. 2015
- **"From Medicine to Sports: Segregation in Durham, 1940–1965"**, Panel Chair, Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Memphis, TN. 2014

MEDIA

"As Durham Turns 150, Bus Routes Will Offer Glimpses of Noteworthy Moments", Go Durham. [Read Article](#). April 2019

"Grammy Nominees 9th Wonder and Rapsody", WRAL News. [Watch Clip](#). January 2017

"Stagville State Historic Site Takes Visitors on Tour of the Past", Time Warner Cable News. [Read Article](#). February 2016

"Gov. Pat McCrory Seeks to Halt Issuing NC License Plates With Confederate Flags", Time Warner Cable News. [Read Article](#). November 2015

"9th Wonder Class to Launch Hip-Hop Institute at NCCU", The Herald Sun. [Read Article](#). April 2014

TEACHING RECORD

Teaching Record - Taught courses in African, African American, African Diaspora, Public History, and United States History.

Courses Taught at Institutions Other than NCCU - *History of Inequality*, Duke University: Fall 2022, Fall 2023

Courses Taught at NCCU

Graduate Courses

History of the Making of Contemporary South Africa (HIST 4450), East and Central African History (HISG 5410), Southern African History (HISG 5440), West African History (HISG 5420), Independent Readings in African History (HISG 5460), African History Seminar (HIST 5040), Internship in Public History (HISG 5712), Introduction to Archives and Manuscripts (HISG 5720), Archives and Records Management (HISG 5722), Archival Arrangement and Description (HIST 5728)

Undergraduate Courses

United States History to 1865 (HIST 2210), United States History since 1865 (HIST 2220), Introduction to Public History (HIST 2510), Recent United States History (HIST 3220), Problems in American History (HIST 3020), African American History to 1865 (HIST 3510), African American History since 1865 (HIST 3520), Black Experience to 1865 (HIST 1530), Black Experience since 1865 (HIST 1540), African History to 1800 (HIST 2410), African History since 1800 (HIST 3410), Problems in African History (HIST 3040), State Formation in Pre-Colonial Africa (HIST 3420), Africa Under Colonial Rule (HIST 3430), Internship in Historical Studies (HIST 3900)

THESES AND DOCTORAL SERVICE

Master's Thesis Advisees

Advisor

Raja Rahim, "*King of the Court: John B. McLendon and the Origins of Black Basketball at North Carolina College during Jim Crow Segregation, 1937-1952*". Department of History, North Carolina Central University, 2015. Enrolled in Ph.D. program in History at the University of Florida at Gainesville.

Ashley Lynch, “*Challenging the Status Quo of U.S.-African Relations: Charles C. Diggs, Jr., 1955-1976*”. Department of History, North Carolina Central University, 2011. Received Ph.D. in African Studies, Howard University, 2018.

Thesis Committee Member

Tyanna West (2024), Deidre Brooks (2022), Latifat Adebakin (2020), Alexis Troy (2020), Rebecca Stubbs (2019), Jeremiah Minion (2019), Ashley Adams (2019), Jenessa Carr (2017), JoCora Moore (2017), Chris Laws (2017), Raja Rahim (2015), JaMarcus Underwood (2015), Caitlin Harris (2014), Katrina Loperl (2014), Torren Gatson (2013), James Blackwell (2013), Eric Richardson (2012), Ashley Lynch (2011), Shelly Forte (2011), Christopher Scott (2011), John Couch (2011), Charlene Bumphus (2011), Harold Hubbard (2011), Star Battle (2011), Monet Phillips (2011), Brian Robinson (2011), TaKeia Anthony (2010), Adrienne Dunn (2010), Ariel Brown (2010), Anthony Donaldson (2010), Marcus Nevius (2010), Sonja Woods (2009), Jamie Bennett (2009), Youssef Carter (2009), LaKesha Laster (2008), Sequoya Mango (2008), Matthew Sherman (2008), Chanda Powell (2007), Shirlkeymu Winston (2007), Jennifer Dixon (2007), Marcus Allen (2007), Brandon Winford (2007), Jametta Davis (2006), Terry Mosley (2006), Tracey Burns (2006), Jarvis Hargrove (2006), Anitra Cole (2004).

DOCTORAL COMMITTEE SERVICE

External Examiner

Majella Chube Hamilton, “Black Birmingham’s Early Fight for Justice: A Transformative Struggle for Human and Civil Rights, the 1880s–1930s”. Department of History, Howard University, 2024.

Shirlkeymu Winston, “The Legacy of Chavis Heights Public Housing Development and Its Surrounding Black Service Community, 1938–2006”. Department of History, Howard University, 2014.

Iyelli Marie Ichile Hanks, “Black Magic Woman: Towards a Theory of Africana Women’s Resistance”. Department of History, Howard University, 2011.

Jarvis Hargrove, “The Transatlantic Slave Trade, the Gold Coast, the Ashanti, and the Era of Illegal Slave Trading, 1807–1874”. Department of History, Howard University, 2011.

Steffan Spencer, “The Eighteenth Century Ge’ez (Classical Ethiopic) Manuscript: A Trinitarian Theological Treatise from Monastic Order of Daqiqa Estifanos”. Department of History, Howard University, 2010.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

- **Member**, National Humanities Center Faculty Podcasting Institute, Durham, North Carolina. 2021
- **Planning Committee Member**, The Samuel DuBois Cook Center on Social Equity, Race and Underserved Communities: COVID-19 and Its Economic and Social Impact on Black-Owned Small Business in Durham, North Carolina. 2020
- **Participant**, Inter-Institutional Humanities Collaborative, Africans in Global History: From the Greco-Roman World to the Islamic Diaspora, University of North Carolina at Greensboro. 2019
- **Planning Committee Member**, Race, Gender, and Entrepreneurship, Samuel DuBois Cook Center on Social Equity at Duke University. 2019
- **Member** of the National Heritage Sites Research Committee, Association for the Study of African American Life and History, and the National Parks Service. 2018
- **Vice President for Programs**, Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), Washington, DC. 2016–2018
- **Executive Council Member**, Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), Washington, DC. 2014–2016
- **Wesley-Logan Prize Committee Member**, Association for the Study of African American Life and History. 2013–2016

- **Reviewer**, African American Odyssey (Combined Volume) by Hine, D., Hine, W. C., Harrold, S., multiple editions, Pearson, Hoboken, New Jersey. 2008–2014

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Committees

- **Chair**, Student Affairs Committee, Graduate Council, School of Graduate Studies, 2024
- **Member**, Provost Executive Leadership Team, 2024
- **Member** of Academic Planning Council, 2024
- **Co-Chair**, Graduate and Undergraduate Research Symposium Planning Committee, 2023
- **Co-Chair**, From Slavery to Freedom Symposium: From Durham to the World, 2023
- **Member** of Academic Planning Council Committee, 2023
- **Member**, Fixed Term Contract Review Committee, 2023
- **Steering Committee Member**, NCCU Center for Economic Development & Entrepreneurship, 2021
- **Member**, NCCU Next Generation Service Corps/Volker Alliance Planning Committee, 2021
- **Advisory Board Member**, Men’s Achievement Center/African American Male Initiative, 2019
- **Member**, Bookstore Advisory Committee, 2019
- **Chair**, University Summer School Strategic Planning Committee, 2015–2017
- **Member**, Military/Veteran Strategic Planning Committee, 2015–2017
- **Member** of the College of Arts and Sciences Strategic Planning Committee, 2014
- **Member** of the College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Evaluation Committee, 2013
- **Chair**, Department Chairs Search Criteria Committee, 2013
- **Member** of the University Teaching Awards Committee, 2006–2013
- **Chair**, Academic Program Review for the Department of History, 2012
- **Member** of University Scholarship Committee, 2012
- **Member** of the College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, 2011–2012
- **Chair** of College of Liberal Arts Newsletter Committee, 2009–2011
- **Member** of the College of Arts and Sciences Associate Dean Search Committee, 2006
- **Member**, Governance and By-Laws Committee, Faculty Senate, 2005
- **Member**, Civic Engagement Task Force, 2004

Advising

- **Faculty Advisor**, CLEO (Council of Legal Educational Opportunity). 2010–2015
- **Faculty Advisor**, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. 2005–2010
- **Faculty Advisor**, National Black Law Student Association (College Division). 2008–2009
- **Co-Advisor**, Civic Engagement Task Force. 2005–2007
- **Faculty Advisor**, NCCU Think Tank Organization. 2003–2009
- **Faculty Advisor**, Tau Psi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc, 2001–2015

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Department Recruiter, Department of History, NCCU. 2000–Present
Department Student Transfer Coordinator, Department of History, NCCU. 2016–2023
Faculty Advisor, Caulbert A. Jones History Club, NCCU. 2001–2011
Member, Black History Month Committee, Department of History, NCCU. 2002–2010
Faculty Senator (Alternate), Department of History, NCCU. 2008–2010
Academic Advisor, Department of History, NCCU. 2001–2009

Member, Faculty Evaluations Committee, Department of History, NCCU. 2006–2009
Member, Faculty Search Committee, Department of History, NCCU. 2005–2009
Faculty Senator, Department of History, NCCU. 2006–2008
Captain, Combined Campaign, Department of History, NCCU. 2004
Member of the Advisory Council of the Institute for the Study of Minority Issues. 2004
Academic Advisor, Eagle Orientation Program, NCCU. 2004
Member, Social Committee, Department of History, NCCU. 2004

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Association for the Study of African-American Life and History
The North Carolina Heritage Commission
Phi Alpha Theta, History Honor Society
African Studies Association
Pi Gamma Mu, Social Science Honor Society
American Historical Association
National Council of Public Historians

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT/MEMBERSHIPS

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Active Member, Beta Phi Chapter, Durham, NC
Durham Committee on the Affairs of Black People
NAACP Membership
North Carolina Central University Alumni Association, Inc., National Member
North Carolina Central University Eagle Club, Member

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

- **Member and Director**, Archives and Memorabilia Committee, Sixth District, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., 2022
- **Member**, American Rescue Plan Funding Focus Group, City of Durham, NC: Reviewed grant submissions to support economic equity initiatives in the Durham community. 2021
- **Member**, International History Book Committee, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Decatur, GA: Contributed to updating the fraternity's official history book. 2020
- **Co-Chair**, Class of 1994 Fundraising Committee, North Carolina Central University: Led a 25th-anniversary reunion effort, raising over \$176,000 for the university, the first 25-year class to exceed \$125,000. 2019
- **District Marshal**, 74th Sixth District Annual Meeting, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Durham, NC: Organized Beta Phi Chapter activities for the largest meeting in district history, including receptions, public forums, and local events. 2019
- **Member**, Beta Phi Chapter, Sixth District, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Durham, NC: Assisted in securing a \$10,000 donation for the Tau Psi Chapter Scholarship Endowment at NCCU. 2018
- **Keeper of Records and Seal**, Sixth District, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Durham, NC: Managed records and remitted district funds; coordinated lodging for executive meetings. 2012–2016
- **Basileus**, Beta Phi Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Durham, NC: Presided over chapter meetings, disbursed funds, and appointed committee chairs; represented the chapter at official functions. 2011–2013

- **Assistant Keeper of Records and Seal**, Sixth District, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Durham, NC: Recorded minutes for all council and district meetings; produced event programs. 2010–2012
- **First-Vice Basileus**, Beta Phi Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Durham, NC: Chaired meetings in the absence of the Basileus and led the Achievement Week Committee. 2009–2011
- **Chapter Advisor**, Omega Zeta Chapter, Duke University, Sixth District, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.: Mentored 12 undergraduate members; one received the Sixth District Scholar of the Year Award. 2009–2012
- **Chair**, Undergraduate Advisors Committee, Sixth District, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.: Trained undergraduate advisors and developed the Sixth District Undergraduate Advisors Training Manual. 2008–2010
- **Chair**, Reclamation/Retention, Beta Phi Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Durham, NC: Reclaimed 20 members and organized a chapter step team to engage younger members. 2006–2009
- **Chapter Advisor**, Tau Psi Chapter, NCCU, Sixth District, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.: Mentored 90 undergraduate members; chapter received multiple awards including Sixth District Undergraduate Chapter of the Year and Herman Dreer Leadership Awards. 2001–2015