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***EDUCATION***

PhD., 2001 Graduate Center, City University of New York (Anthropology).

M.P.H., 1994 Hunter College, School of Health Sciences (Community Health

Education).

B.A., 1980 University of Maryland, College Park (Film and Communication).

***ACADEMIC POSITIONS***

2018 Professor (appointed 2018)

2017 to Present Director, Center for the Study of Women and Society; the MA

Program in Women and Gender Studies, and the Certificate Program in Women’s Studies, Graduate Center, City University of New York (appointed 2017)

2011 – 2017 Associate Chair, Graduate Program in Urban Affairs, Queens College (appointed 2011)

Faculty, Anthropology Program, Graduate Center, City University of New York (appointed 2011)

Faculty, Critical Psychology, Graduate Center, City University of New York (appointed 2014)

2007 – 2011 Associate Chair, Worker Education, Joseph Murphy Institute, Queens College Fall 2007-2011 (appointed 2007)

Associate Professor, Urban Studies, Queens College (appointed 2007 – tenured 2010).

2001-2007 Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Purchase College, State

University of New York (tenured 2007).

2002– 2007 Coordinator, Global Black Studies Program

*Interdisciplinary affiliations:*

Global Black Studies; Gender Studies, Media, Society and the Arts

2006 Visiting Scholar, Barnard College, Spring

2005 Visiting Scholar, Columbia University Institute for Research on African-American Studies, Spring.

2000-2001 Instructor, Anthropology, Purchase College, State University of New York, Fall and Spring.

1998-Present Adjunct, Social Sciences, Fashion Institute of Technology, State

University of New York.

1998 Instructor, Community Health Education, Hunter College, City

University of New York, Spring.

1997 Adjunct, Division of Social Sciences, College of New Rochelle,

Fall.

1997 Teaching Assistant, University of Namibia, Summer (with Richard Lee, Ida Susser and Karen Brodkin)

1996 Adjunct Instructor, Sociology/Anthropology, Baruch College, City

University of New York, Summer.

1994-1995 Adjunct Instructor, Women's Studies and Community Health

Education. Hunter College, City University of New York, Fall

Spring.

1993 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Masters in Public Health Program,

Hunter College, City University of New York, Spring.

***AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION***

Political Economy, Race/Racism, Gender/Sexuality, Feminist theory and methodology.

Foci: **Activist anthropology**, **Medical anthropology** (domestic violence, reproduction, breast cancer, HIV/AIDS), **Science and Technology Studies** (Assisted reproduction, pregnancy, prematurity); **Inequality** (poverty, welfare policy)

Geographic Areas: United States and Southern Africa

***COURSES TAUGHT***

Anthropology of Poverty Public Anthropology

Black Popular Culture Race, Class, Gender and Sexuality

Black Feminist Theory Researching New York City

Culture and Values Sociology of Gender

Feminist Anthropology Social Movements through Film

Feminist Research Methods

Gender and Sexuality Social Welfare Policy

History of Social Theory Urban Anthropology

Introduction to Global Black Studies Urban Diversity

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology Urban Research Methods

Making Public Policy Urban Research Writing

Pan Africanism, Civil Rights and Radical Violence and Terror

Black Politics Women in Africa

Politics of Reproduction Women Cross-Culturally

***Ph.D. COMMITTEES (Chair)***

2022 Angela Crumdy Teaching Revolution: Women Primary School

Teachers, Race, and Social Reproduction in Cuba

Dane Carnell Ruffin *Past-Futures of Harlem: Black Urban Space at the*

*Limits of Spatial Justice*

Ishan Gordon-Ugarte *She Too 'omanish: Disciplining Young Black*

*Women's Sexuality in Nicaragua*

Brenna McCaffrey *All Aboard the Abortion Pill Train: Activism, Medicine, and Reproductive Technologies in the Republic of Ireland*

Matthew Chrisler *Sunbelt Schooling: Publics and Politics of*

*Education Advocacy in Phoenix, Arizona*

Anne Spice *Everything to Lose: Extraction, Racism, and*

*Survival on Wet’suwet’en Land*

2020 Margarite Whitten *Shadow Standards and the Logic of Costs: Care*

*Stewardship, and Data in U.S. Community Health*

***Ph.D. COMMITTEES (Committee Member)***

2022 Nadja Eisenberg-Guyot *Refusing Rehabilitation: Outlaw Epistemologies*

*and the Carceral-Therapeutic State in NYC*

Freda Grant *Words of Fire: Stories of Gender Entrapment Among*

*Black Women Remanded to Connecticut's Family*

*Violence Education Program***-** Union Institute and

University

2021 Emmanuel Moss *The Objective Function: Science and Society in the*

*Age of Machine Intelligence​​*

2016 Emily Chanell-Justice *Left of Maidan: Self-Organization and the*

*Ukrainian State*

Risa Cromer *Saving: Stem Cell Science, Christian Adoption, and*

*Frozen Embryos in the United States*

Karen Williams *From Coercion to Consent? Governing the*

*Formerly Incarcerated in21st Century United States*

2014 Nazia Kazi *The Struggle for Recognition: Muslim American Spokesmanship in the Age of Islamophobia*

2013 Ujju Aggarwal *Public Education and the Production of a Normative*

*Cultural Logic of Inequality in the United States*

***SERVICE***

2023 Chair, APO Search Committee, Graduate Center, Center for the Study of Women and Society

2022 Search Committee, Queens College

2018 Chair, Search Committee, Graduate Center, Center for the

Study of Women and Society

2017 Search Committee, Graduate Center, Anthropology Program

Chair, Search Committee, Queens College, Urban Studies

2016 First Exam Committee – Graduate Center, Anthropology Program

Chair, Search Committee Urban Studies (Queens)

Diversity Committee (Queens)

2015 First Exam Committee -Graduate Center Anthropology Program

2014 Graduate Center Doctoral Student Dissertation Grants

PSC-CUNY Faculty Grants

Search Committee – Urban Studies Assistant Professor, Queens College

First Exam Committee - Graduate Center Anthropology Program

2013 – Present Advisory Board - Institute for Research on the African

Diaspora in the Americas and the Caribbean (IRADAC).

2011- 2016 Affirmative Action Committee, Curriculum Committee

2010 New Community College – Urban Studies Major Working Group

Search Committee, Urban Studies Coordinator, Joseph Murphy Institute

2009 Affirmative Action Committee

Summer 2008 Search Committee, Projects Coordinator, Center for Teaching and Learning

Spring 2008 Search Committee, Academic Counselor Joseph S. Murphy Institute

2007 – Present Urban Studies Curriculum Committee

2007 - Present Africana Studies Committee

2007 - 2009 Faculty Partner, Writing Across the Curriculum

***GRANTS, FELLOWSHIP, AWARDS***

***Research grants***

2021 Anti-Eugenic Project - $10,000

2020 New York Women’s Foundation – Domestic Violence Survivor’s Justice

Act $40,000

2019 New York Women’s Foundation – Reproductive Justice Project $20,000

2016 Department of Health and Mental Health - Documentation Project for the Sexual and Reproductive Justice Program. Principal Investigator. ($20,000)

2010 2010 Teacher Scholar Grant for Innovative Course Development – President’s General Education Initiative with Jeff Maskovsky and Melissa Checker. Queens College. ($4,280).

2009-2013 African Burial Ground National Monument Ethnohistory Project – National Park Service subcontracted through the Schomburg Center for in Black Culture. Principal Investigator. ($102,000).

2006 UUP Award for Faculty Development, Purchase College

2005 Junior Faculty Development Award, Purchase College

Purchase College Interdisciplinary Teaching Grant

Affiliates Grant for the “Conversations Series”

2004 Faculty Support Award, Purchase College, State University of New York

2003 Faculty Support Award, Purchase College, State University of New York

2002 Faculty Support Award. Purchase College, State University of New York.

Affiliates Grant, Purchase College, State University of New York (Funded research and program development in Namibia)

1997 National Science Foundation Field Training Grant (funded research and teaching in Namibia).

***Fellowships***

2023 Brocher Foundation Residency Fellowship – Switzerland

2021 Visiting Chair awarded by the Association of Marquette University

Women (Fall 2021)

2010 School for Advanced Research Advanced Seminar *Katherine Dunham and the Anthropology of Dance: Theory, Experiment, and Social Engagement*. Santa Fe, NM. June 6-11.

1999-2002 Kellogg Foundation Fellowship. W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Devolution Initiative, Scholar/Practitioner Program (Three-year policy research fellowship).

Foggarty Programme, Pre-Doctoral Fellowship (Funded study in Namibia - Declined).

1994-1996 Graduate School and University Center Fellowship, City University of New York (Tuition fellowship)

1994 Center for the Study of Women's Global Leadership, Rutgers University (Human Rights fellowship).

***Awards***

2020 Alumni Award, Graduate Center, City University of New York

Eileen Basker Memorial Prize from the Society for Medical Anthropology

Senior Book Prize from the Association for Feminist Anthropology

Honorable Mention, Victor Turner Prize

in Ethnographic Writing Society for Humanistic Anthropology

Finalist, 2020 PROSE Award in the Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology Category, given by the Association of American Publishers

2016 Queens College Presidential Nomination for Excellence in Teaching

2013 President’s Award, American Anthropological Association

2010 Citation, Affirmative Action Committee. Queens College.

2004 President’s Citation, Society for the Anthropology of North America.

2002 Outstanding Faculty Service Award. Purchase College, State University

of New York, Student Government Association.

1998 Visiting Scholar, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York. (Affiliation privileges).

1996-1998 Dean K. Harris Award, Graduate School and University Center, City University of New York.

1. James Felt Memorial Award, Hunter College, City University of New

York.

***PUBLICATIONS***

***Books***

2022 Feminist Ethnography: Thinking Through Methodologies, Challenges &

Possibilities (second edition). Dána-Ain Davis and Christa Craven. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.

2019 *Reproductive Injustice: Racism, Pregnancy, and Premature Birth*. New York: NYU Press.

2016 *Feminist Ethnography: Thinking Through Methodologies, Challenges & Possibilities*. Dána-Ain Davis and Christa Craven. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.

2013 *Feminist Activist Ethnography: Counterpoints to Neoliberalism in North*

*America*. Edited collection, Christa Craven & Dána-Ain Davis, eds. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books.

2012 *Black Genders and Sexualities.* Edited collection, Shaka McGlotten and Dána-Ain Davis, eds. New York: Palgrave McMillan.

2006 *Battered Black Women and Welfare Reform: Between a Rock and a Hard Place.* Albany, NY: SUNY Press

***Peer Reviewed Articles***

2023 Uneven Reproduction: Race, Class, Gender, and Adverse Birth Outcomes. Under Review

The Unbearable Whiteness of Citational Practice in US Medical Anthropology. [**Dána**](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/?term=Davis+DA&cauthor_id=37019478)**-Ain Davis** and Sameena Mulla. Medical Anthropology Quarterly. First

published: 17 April 2023. [**https://doi.org/10.1111/maq.12761**](https://doi.org/10.1111/maq.12761)

Community Support Person and Mitigating Obstetric Racism During Childbirth. Elle Lett, Marie-Fatima Hyacinthe,  **[Dána](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/?term=Davis+DA&cauthor_id=37019478)-Ain Davis**, Karen A. Scott. A*nnals of Family Medicine*. 2023 May-Jun;21(3):227-233.

 doi: 10.1370/afm.2958. Epub 2023 Apr 5.

Emotional Safety is Patient Safety. Audrey Lyndon, [**Dána**](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/?term=Davis+DA&cauthor_id=37019478)**-Ain Davis,** Anjana E. Sharma, Karen A. Scott. *British Medical Journal* 2023 Feb 2;bmjqs-2022-015573.

doi: 10.1136/bmjqs-2022-015573.Online ahead of print.

2022 Destigmatizing and Democratizing Postpartum Care: A “Black Woman-Person First” Approach**.** Karen A. Scott and **Dána-Ain Davis**. *Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology.* Vol – Issue. June 21, 2022.

Beyond Birthing: The Labor(s) of Doulas and Black Birth Workers. In

Sharryn Kashmir and Lesley Gill, eds. *The Labor Handbook*

Psychometric validation of a patient-reported experience measure of obstetric racism© (PREM-OB Scale™. Emily White VanGompel, Caryl Gay, **[Dána](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/?term=Davis+DA&cauthor_id=37019478)-Ain Davis**, Karen Scott, Safyer McKenzie-Sampson, Karen Scott, Lavisha Singh, Francesca Carlock, Ashlee McCorkle-Jamieson, Lillie Lapeyrolerie and Amanda Armijo. *Annals of Family Medicine*. Vol 20 (1) April.

2021 Obstetric Racism: Naming and Identifying a Way out of Black Women’s Adverse Medical Experiences. With Karen A. Scott and **Dana-Ain Davis**. *American Anthropologist*, Vol 123 (2): 81-684

2019 “Trump, Race, and Reproduction in the Afterlife of Slavery.” CA

2019 “Obstetric Racism: The Racial Politics of Pregnancy, Labor, and

Birthing.” *Medical* Anthropology 38(7):560-573.

2016 “The Bone Collectors” Comments for Sorrow as Artifact: Black Radical Mothering in Times of Terror. *Transforming Anthropology*. Vol. 24 (1): 8-16.

2014 What’s a Feminist Activist Ethnographer to Do?

*American Anthropologist.* Vol. 116(2): 413-415.

Epilogue. Special Issue on Embodied engagements: Feminist ethnography at the crossing of knowledge production and representation. *Women’s Studies International Forum.* Volume 43, March-April, p. 84.

2012Feminist Politics, Racialized Imagery and Social Control: Reproductive Injustice in the Age of Obama. Beth E. Richie, **Dána-Ain Davis** and LaTosha Traylor. *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture and Society,* Vol. 14(1-2), pp. 54-56.

2011The Construction of Fear in the Academy: Neoliberalism at a

Public College*. Learning and Teaching:* The *International Journal of Higher Education in the Social Sciences*, Vol. 4(1), Spring: pp. 42-69.

Revisiting Feminist Ethnography: Methods and Activism at the Intersection of Neoliberal Policy (with Christa Craven). *Feminist Formations,* Vol. 23(2), Summer: pp.186-203.

2009 The Politics of Reproduction: The Troubling Case of Nadya Suleman and Reproductive Technology.*Transforming Anthropology****.*** Vol. 17(2): 105-116.

2007 Non-violent Survival Strategies in the Face of Intimate Partner Violence and Economic Discrimination. *Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment and Trauma.* Vol. 15, (3/4): 123-153.

Narrating the Mute: Racializing and Racism in a Neoliberal Moment. *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture, and Society*. Vol. 9, (4): 346-360.

Fissures in the Architecture of Governance. *SAGE Race Relations Abstracts*, Vol. 32, (2): 5-25.

2004 Manufacturing Mammies: The Burdens of Service Work and Welfare Reform Among Battered Black Women. *Anthropologica* Vol. 46, (2): 273-288.

2003 What Did You Do Today? Notes from a Politically Engaged Anthropologist. *Urban Anthropology and Studies of Cultural Systems and World Economic Development*. Vol. 32(2):147-173

Working It Off: Welfare Reform, Workfare and Work Experience Programs in New York City. *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture, and Society.* Vol. 5(2): 22-41. (With Ana Aparicio, Audrey Jacobs, Akemi Kochiyama, Leith Mullings, Andrea Queeley and Beverly Thompson)

***Peer Reviewed Bibliographic Entries***

2020 “Feminist Ethnography.” **Dána-Ain Davis** and Christa Craven. Companion to Gender Studies, Sexuality Studies, and Feminist Studies. Edited by Nancy Naples. Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Gender and Sexuality Studies.

2012 Culture of Poverty. Oxford Bibliographies Online in Anthropology. [www.oxfordbibliographies.com/obo/page/anthropology](http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/obo/page/anthropology)

***Article Introductions***

2014 Checker, Melissa, **Dána-Ain Davis,** and Mark Schuller. The Conflicts of Crisis: Critical Reflections on Feminist Ethnography and Anthropological Activism. *American Anthropologist.* Vol. 116(2):408-409

2009 Introduction: No Beached Whales – Black Gender and Sexuality I (Guest Editors, **Dána-Ain Davis,** Shaka McGlotten and Vanessa Agard-Jones). *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture and Society.* Vol. 11(2):87-93.

Introduction: Spatial Articulations – Black Gender and Sexuality II (Guest Editors: Shaka McGlotten, **Dána-Ain Davis** and Vanessa Agard-Jones). *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture and Society*. Vol. 11(3):225-229.

***Peer Reviewed Chapters***

2015 “Constructing Fear in Academia: Neoliberal Practices at a Public College.” In Susan Brin Hyatt, Boone W. Shear, and Susan Wright (eds.) *Learning Under Neoliberalism: Ethnographies of Governance in Higher Education.* Brooklyn, NY: Berghahn Books. Reprint of 2011 article

2014 “Katherine Dunham Made Me… In Elizabeth Chin, ed. *Katherine Dunham* *Recovering an Anthropological Legacy, Choreographing Ethnographic Futures*.Santa Fe, NM: SAR Press.

2009 “The Public Identity of Violence Against Women,” in *Beyond Reproduction: Women’s Health, Activism and Public Policy* by Karen Baird with Dána-Ain Davis and Kim Christensen. Madison, NJ: Fairleigh Dickinson University Press, (93-112).

2008 “Non-violent Survival Strategies in the Face of Intimate Partner Violence and Economic Discrimination.” In *Backs Against the Wall: Battered Women’s Resistance Strategies*. New York, Routledge. (Originally printed in *Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment, and Trauma*, Volume 15, Issues 3/4).

2006 “Knowledge in the Vision of Service: Politically Engaged Anthropology.” In Asale Angel-Ajani and Victoria Sandford, (eds*). Engaged Observer: Anthropology, Advocacy, and Activism.*  NJ: Rutgers University Press. (228-238).

“Violating Dignity: Welfare Reform, Black Women and Non-State Violators.” In George Andreopoulos, Zehra Arat and Peter Juviler (eds). *Center State: Non-State Actors in the Human Rights Universe*. Bloomfield: CT: Kumarian Press. (289-310).

2005 “Working it Off: Welfare Reform, Workfare, and Work Experience Programs in New York City.” In Manning Marable, (ed). *The New Black Renaissance*. Boulder, CO: Paradigm Publishers. (146-162). Reprint. (With Ana Aparicio, Audrey Jacobs, Akemi Kochiyama, Leith Mullings, Andrea Queeley and Beverly Thompson).

***Guest Edited Journals***

2009 Black Gender and Sexuality I. Guest editors **Dána-Ain Davis**, Shaka McGlotten and Vanessa Agard-Jones. *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture and Society*. Vol. 11(2). April-June. (Also, listed in introductions above)

Black Gender and Sexuality II. Guest editors, Shaka McGlotten, **Dána-Ain Davis** and Vanessa Agard-Jones*. Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture and Society*. Vol. 11(3). July-September. (Also, listed in introductions above)

##### **Book Reviews**

2016 addicted.pregnant.poor. Kelly Ray-Knight. Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2015. 307 pp. *American Ethnologist*

[The Hero's Fight: African Americans in West Baltimore and the Shadow of the State. Patricia Fernández-Kelly. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2015. 440 pp. *American Anthropologist*. Vol. 118(2):426–427)](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/aman.12551/full)

*La Calle: Spatial Conflicts and Urban Renewal in a Southwest City*. Lydia R. Otero. Tucson, AZ: University of Arizona Press, 2010. 272 pp. *Transforming Anthropology*, 24(1): 87–89.

2012 The “Recalcitrant” Pregnant Body a review of *Reproducing Race: An Ethnography of Pregnancy as a Site of Racialization* by Khiara M. Bridges. Berkeley: University of California Press (2011). *Current Anthropology*. Vol. 53(2) (April 2012)

2010 *The Tenants of East Harlem* by Russell Leigh Sharman. Berkeley: University of California Press (2006). *Transforming Anthropology*. Vol. 18 (1) (April 2010): 97-99.

2007 *Knowing What We Know: African American Women's Experiences of Violence and Violation* by Gail Garfield. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press (2005). *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture and Society*. Vol. [9](http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/title~content=t713723579~db=all~tab=issueslist~branches=9#v9) (1): 83-84.

1999 *Compelled to Crime: The Gender Entrapment of Battered Black Women*

by Beth Richie. New York: Routledge, (1995). *Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community,* University of Minnesota. Vol.1(1):5.

***Blogs, Digital and Popular Media***

2020

The Black Agenda Report, October 14, 2020. <https://www.blackagendareport.com/health-justice-and-black-liberation-dana-ain-davis>

The Evoking History Podcast

Racism and Medicine, New Jersey Revolution Radio – Marquette University

2019 Podcast Interview: Cite Black Women January 6, 2019

<https://www.stitcher.com/podcast/cite-black-women>

2018 Quoted in NYT November 30, 2018

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/11/30/nyregion/mount-sinai-west-birthing-center-natural-childbirth.html>

The Labor of Racism. ***anthro{dendum}*** <https://anthrodendum.org/2018/05/07/the-labor-of-racism/> May 7, 2018

Quoted in NYT April 11, 2018

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/04/11/magazine/black-mothers-babies-death-maternal-mortality.html>

2015 Williams, Bianca C.and **Dana-Ain Davis**. *Making Black Lives Matter: Reflections on the Declaration and the Movement* essay series, *Savage Minds: Notes and Queries in Anthropology*, November 2015.

2014 *The Committee on Civil Rights in Metropolitan New York, The New York Foundation, and Anti Housing Discrimination in the 1960s.* August 8, 2014.

<http://nyf.org/guest-post-anti-housing-discrimination-in-the-1960s/>

*Revisiting Strategies from the 1960s for Creating Change Today****. Anthropology News.***

<http://www.anthropology-news.org/index.php/2014/06/25/housing-rights-in-new-york-city/>

june 6, 2014 waiting to see a subtlety by kara walker. [http://anthronow.com/reach/reflections-on-kara-walkers-a-subtlety-or-the-marvelous-sugar-baby](https://mymail.qc.cuny.edu/owa/redir.aspx?SURL=OzAPPJvdJY_FX5AzCQ70i_6jSeb2119_XHz6v5Fanag0muQ35yjSCGgAdAB0AHAAOgAvAC8AYQBuAHQAaAByAG8AbgBvAHcALgBjAG8AbQAvAHIAZQBhAGMAaAAvAHIAZQBmAGwAZQBjAHQAaQBvAG4AcwAtAG8AbgAtAGsAYQByAGEALQB3AGEAbABrAGUAcgBzAC0AYQAtAHMAdQBiAHQAbABlAHQAeQAtAG8AcgAtAHQAaABlAC0AbQBhAHIAdgBlAGwAbwB1AHMALQBzAHUAZwBhAHIALQBiAGEAYgB5AA..&URL=http%253a%252f%252fanthronow.com%252freach%252freflections-on-kara-walkers-a-subtlety-or-the-marvelous-sugar-baby)

2013 *Equity at the Peril of Normativity: A Feminist Anthropological Take on Race, Marriage and Justice*. (with Christa Craven). TheFeministWire June 26. <http://thefeministwire.com/2013/06/equity-at-the-peril-of-normativity-a-feminist-aYthropological-take-on-race-marriage-justice/>

*I Was Heavy Hearted and Sick. Savage Minds. July 21.*[*http://backupminds.wordpress.com/2013/07/21/heavy-hearted-and-sick-responding-to-the-verdict-of-zimmerman/*](http://backupminds.wordpress.com/2013/07/21/heavy-hearted-and-sick-responding-to-the-verdict-of-zimmerman/)

***Reports***

2016 *Documentation Report: Sexual and Reproductive Justice.* New York City Department of Health and Mental Health.

2013 *The African Burial Ground National Monument Ethnohistory* *Report* with Leith Mullings for the National Park Service.

2002 *The Impact of Welfare Reform on Two Communities in New York City*.

New York: New York State Scholar Practitioner Team, CUNY Graduate Center. (With Ana Aparicio, Audrey Jacobs, Akemi Kochiyama, Leith Mullings, Andrea Queeley, and Beverly Thompson).

2000 *Young Women’s Action Team (YWAT) Curriculum.*

Healthy Girls/Healthy Women Initiative. Collaborative Fund for Healthy Girls/Healthy Women. New York: Ms. Foundation for Women.

*The New Girls’ Movement: New Assessment Tools for Youth*

*Programs.* Collaborative Fund for Healthy Girls/Healthy Women. New York: Ms. Foundation for Women with Elizabeth DeBold and P. Catlin Fullwood.

1998 History of Domestic Violence. In, *The Alternatives to Violence*

*Curriculum*. New York: Victims Services, Inc.

1998 Traditional Overview of Domestic Violence. *Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community.* The Office of Community Services, Administration for Children and Families. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Washington D.C.

***Peer Reviewer***

2023 Newcombe Fellowship Reviewer

2020 American Council of Learned Societies

AAUW – Panel Reviewer

2018 Article Reviewer, *American Anthropologist*

Article Reviewer, *Medical Anthropology*

2017 Panel Reviewer National Women’s Studies Association

2016 Manuscript Reviewer for University of California Press

*Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture, and Society*

University of California Press

*American Anthropologist*

2013 *Journal of Feminist Scholarship*

*Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture, and Society*

2012 Anthropology Panel for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate

Research Fellowship Program

2011 Manuscript Reviewer for NYU Press

Manuscript Reviewer for University of Minnesota Press

Anthropology Panel for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Program

2010 Reviewer for *Transforming Anthropology*

Reviewer for *Critique of Anthropology*

Sociology and Public Policy Panel for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Program

2009 Reviewer for *Transforming Anthropology*

Reviewer for *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture and Society*

Reviewer for *Ethnicity and Race in a Changing World: A Review Journal*

(University of Manchester)

Sociology and Public Policy Panel for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Program

2008 Cultural Anthropology and Linguistics Panel for the National Science

Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Program.

2007 Reviewer for: *Social Politics, International Studies in Gender, State and Society (*Oxford University Press).

Reviewer for *Lexington Books*

Cultural Anthropology and Linguistics Panel for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Program.

2006 Reviewer for *Human Organization*

Reviewer for *Rethinking Marxism*

Reviewer for Ford Foundation, Sexuality Project

Cultural Anthropology and Linguistics Panel for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Program.

2004 Full issue review of articles in *Identities*

Special issue of *NWSA Journal* (National Women’s Studies Association)

2003 Reviewer for *American Anthropologist*

2002 Reviewer for NYU Press.

“Girl’s Best Friend Foundation’s Statewide Research Initiative Report,” Lynn Phillips. Chicago, Il.

***Presentations***

2022 Reproductive Injustice: A Grammar of Obstetric Racism. University College of London. Centre for Gender, Health & Social Justice. May 10. London

Pregnancy, Racism and Reproductive Justice University of Edinburgh. May 12. Edinburgh, Scotland

# /ˈgramərs/ of Racism: Obstetrics and Black Anti Bodies. University of Maryland Baltimore County. May 3. Baltimore

## Reproductive Injustice; Racism, Pregnancy and Premature Birth. Embodied Inequalities. Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy. University of Illinois Chicago. April 26.

2018 *Roundtable Moderator*, *Black Feminist Activism*. National Women’s Studies Association. Atlanta, GA. November 9, 2018

*Roundtable Moderator, The Medical Industrial Complex*. National Women’s Studies Association. Atlanta, GA. November 11, 2019

*Engaged Research*. Lehman College, Bronx, NY. November 8, 2018

*Between Womb and Home*. NYU, NY. September 13, 2018

*The Space Between Womb and Home*. University of Central Florida. Orlando, FL. February 2018

*Citing the Sisters (and Brothers): Raising the Visibility of Black Women in the Fight for Reproductive Justice.* Lafayette College, Easton, PA. March 8.

*The Black Reproducing Body*, Society for Applied Anthropology. Santiago, Cuba. May 8, 2018.

2017 *Pregnancy, Labor and Delivery in the Afterlife of Slavery*. Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN. October 20, 2017

*Pregnancy and Premature Birth in the Afterlife of Slavery*. Davidson College. Davidson, NC. October

*Prematurity and The Afterlife of Slavery*. On/By Black Girls/Women Symposium. Cornell University. Ithaca, NY. April 21-23.

*Doing Feminist Ethnography*. Wesleyan University. Middletown, CT. April 13.

*Pregnancy, Prematurity, and Race: The Afterlife of Slavery*. Sarah Lawrence College. Bronxville, NY. April 6.

*Pregnancy, Prematurity and Reproductive Justice.* American Ethnology Society. Palo Alto, CA. Stanford University. March 30 – April 2.

P*regnancy, Prematurity, and Race in the Afterlife of Slavery*. Society for the Applied Anthropology. Santa Fe, NM. March 28 – April 2.

*Feminist Ethnography: Thinking Through Methodologies, Challenges and Possibilities*. Kingston, Ontario, CA. March 10.

*Prematurity and the Afterlife of Slavery*. College of Wooster. February 16

2017.

*Race and Prematurity*. Women and Society Seminar Columbia University. February 2017.

2016 *(Dis)assembling Kin: Representations of Race and Kinship.* European Association of Social Anthropologists. University of Milano-Bicocca, Milan, Italy. July 20-23.

*Anthropology's Publics: Critical Reflections on Public Engagements.* Society of Cultural Anthropology. Cornell University. Ithaca, NY. May 13-14.

*Love and Limits: Collaborative Research and the Pursuit of Equity*. Society for Cultural Anthropology. Cornell University. Ithaca, NY. May 13-14.

*The Checkers: Revisiting Anti-Discrimination Housing Projects in the 1950s and 60s*. Society for Applied Anthropology. Vancouver, BC. March 27-April 2.

*Race-ing Prematurity, Race-ing the NICU*. Society for Applied Anthropology. Vancouver, BC. Mach 27-April 2.

Plenary Speaker - *Fractured Feminisms: The Violence of Fieldwork*. Abriendo Brecha. University of Texas, Austin. Austin, TX. March 24-26.

Invited: *In My Friend's House: The Manning Marable Panel*. Columbia University. New York. March 11.

2015 *The Curious Contours of Reproductive Health and Politics* (Panel). American Anthropological Association. Denver, CO: November 17-22.

*Between Womb and Home: Representational Precarity in Neonatal Intensive Care Units*. National Women's Studies Association. Milwaukee, WI. November 12-15.

*Between Womb and Home: Neonatal Intensive Care Units and the Aftermath of Prematurity*. Society for the Anthropology of North America. John Jay College. New York. April 17-18.

*When and Where I Enter: Feminist Activist Ethnography*. Columbia University. March 2.

Invited – *Radical Pedagogies in the Neoliberal University*. Barnard College Scholar and Feminist Conference. New York. Feb. 27 – 28.

Invited - *Feminist Ethnographies*. Fordham University. New York. Jan. 26.

2014 *The New Abolition Movement: Neoliberalism and the Ends of Public Higher Education*. AAA Roundtable. Washington, D.C. Dec. 5-9

*The Bone Collectors*. Discussant. American Anthropological Association. Washington, D.C. December 5 -9.

*Reflections on Battered Black Women and Welfare Reform: Still Between a Rock and a Hard Place*. Brooklyn College. November 26.

Invited – *Neonatal Care Intensive Units Through the Lens of Reproductive Justice*. Northern Illinois University. October 31.

*Feminist Activist Ethnography: Challenges and Futures*. National Women’s Studies Association. San Juan, Puerto Rico. November 16-18

Invited - *Intimacy and Feminist Activist Ethnography in the Age*

*Of Neoliberalism*. University of Connecticut. Storrs, CT. March 26.

*The Future of Urban Studies*. Roundtable. Urban Affairs Association. San Antonio, TX. March 19 – 23.

2013 Author Meets Critics: Feminist Activist Ethnography (with Christa Craven). American Anthropological Association. Chicago, IL. November 19 – 23.

*Ethnography as Activism/Ethnography of Activism:* A roundtable

Discussion. Rethinking Marxism Conference. University of Massachusetts, Amherst. September 19-22.

*Arrested Justice: Black Women, Violence, and America’s Prison Nation*: A Conversation with Beth E. Richie. New York University. King Juan Carlos Center. March 5.

2012 *Border Crossings: Intimacy and Feminist Activist Ethnography in the Age of Neoliberalism.* Women’s Studies Colloquia. Queens College. November 28.

*Border Crossings: Intimacy and Feminist Activist Ethnography.* American Anthropological Association. San Francisco, CA. November 20-24.

*Transgressing Research Relationships: Moving Dangerously or Exploring Alternative Modes of Feminist Practice.* Discussant. American Anthropological Association. San Francisco, CA. November 20-24.

Roundtable Discussion *Manning Marable Memorial Conference*. Columbia University, New York. April 26 – April 29.

Roundtable Discussion: *The Future of Engaged Anthropology*. American Ethnological Society. New York. April 19 - 21

*Distance between Here and There: Getting People to the African Burial Ground National Monument.* Society for Applied Anthropology. Baltimore, MD March 29 – April 1

2011 *Katherine Dunham's Southland: Race, Diaspora and Teaching Anthropology.* American Anthropological Association. Montreal, CA. November 16-19.

*In My Friend’s House: A Tribute to Manning Marable.* American Anthropological Association. Montreal, CA. November 16-19.

Roundtable Discussion*: A Conversation about the Possibilities for Feminist Activist Ethnography in the Wake of Neoliberalism (with Christa Craven).* Women and Society Conference. Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY. October 21-23*.*

*Manufactured Mammies in the Era of Welfare Reform.*  Society For Applied Anthropology. Seattle, WA. April 29 – May 2

*Issues in Heritage Resource Management: Tools, Tactics and Tensions in Applied Anthropology on a Community Level*. Discussant. Society for Applied Anthropology. Seattle, WA. April 29– May 2.

2010 *Feminist Ethnography and Activism: Battered Black Women and Neoliberal Policy.* American Anthropological Association. New Orleans, LA. November 17 – November 22.

*Mammies, Hottentots and Nadya Suleman: The Ideological Economy of the Black Woman’s Body*. Institute for Research in African American Studies. Graduate Center, City University of New York. October 12.

*Katherine Dunham Made Me…A Celebration of Anthropologist, Dancer, Activist Katherine Dunham.* The African American Cultural Festival. Oak Bluffs, MA. July 30.

*Katherine Dunham and the Anthropology of Dance*. Colloquium, School for Advanced Research. June 9.

*Reading “OctoMom,” the Racial Politics of Nadya Suleman.* Department of African American and African Studies. Rutgers University, Newark, NJ. March 10.

Respondent, Columbia University Seminar on Women and Society, Columbia University, New York. January.

2009 *Katherine Dunham Tribute* (Organizer) American Anthropological Association. Philadelphia, PA. December.

*Welfare Reform and Policymakers.* Roundtable. American Anthropological Association. Philadelphia, PA. December.

*Feminist Ethnography and Activism at the Intersection of Neoliberal Policy in the U.S*. Third Feminist Pedagogy Conference: The Praxis of Feminist Pedagogy Graduate Center, City University of New York, NY. November 6.

*Citizen-Subjects and Feminist Ethnography: Translating the Intimacies of Welfare Policy*. CASCA/American Ethnological Society Meeting. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada. May 13-16.

*The Politics of Reproduction: Nadya Suleman and Assisted Reproductive Technology*. Barnard College, New York, February.

2008 *Accrued Toxicity: Mapping Neoliberal Nonsense in Higher Education*. University of Massachusetts. Amherst, MA, April.

2007 *Battered Black Women and Welfare Reform*. Brooklyn College, Women’s Studies. Brooklyn, NY, April.

Keynote: *Fissures in the Architecture of Governance*. College of Wooster. Wooster, OH, April.

Keynote: *Knowledge in the Vision of Service: Politically Engaged Scholarship. Joseph Taylor Symposium.* Indiana University-Purdue University at Indiana, Indianapolis, IN. February.

2006 *Narrating the Mute: Racializing and Racism in a Neoliberal Moment.* Columbia University. NY, December.

*Notes on the White Social Realm*. American Anthropological Association. San Jose, CA, November.

*The Traffic in Feminist Anthropology: Do We Have to Call It Third Wave?* American Anthropological Association. San Jose, CA, November.

*Revisiting Feminist Ethnography: An Interdisciplinary Dialogue on the Intersection of Methodologies, Pedagogies and Public Engagement (organizer with Christa Craven)*. National Women’s Studies Association. June 15 – 18, Marriott City Center, Oakland, CA.

Keynote: *Mapping the Intersections of Race, Gender, Class, Violence and Place*. Empire State College. Syracuse, NY, April.

*Resisting Bureaucracy: Advocates in the Certain Age of Post-Welfare Reform.* Society for the Anthropology of North America. Baruch College, NY. April.

*Rethinking Welfare*. Barnard College. NY, November.

*No Magic in the Market*. Western Michigan University. Kalamazoo, MI, January.

2005 *Same-sex Marriage Debate:* Presidential Session, American Anthropological Association. November 30 – December 3. Washington, D.C.

*Can There be a Feminist Ethnography?* Roundtable Discussion, American Anthropological Association. (Organizer) November 30 – December 3. Washington, D.C.

*The Power of Girls.* American Anthropological Association. November 30 – December 3. Washington, D.C.

*Muted Racism: Racializing and Racism in the Neoliberal Academy*. University of Massachusetts. Boston, MA, November.

*Between a Rock and Hard Place: Battered Black Women and Welfare Reform.* University of Oregon. Eugene, OR, November.

*What Did You Do Today? Notes from a Public Anthropologist.* Plenary Speech. Public Anthropology Conference. American University. Washington, D.C., October.

*Narrating Muted Racism: What Racism Looks Like in the Neoliberal Economy*. Society for the Anthropology of North America, Merida, Mexico, May.

*The Neoliberal Mammy*. Institute for Research on African-Americans, Conversations Series, Columbia University. New York, NY. April.

*Manufacturing Mammies: The Burdens of Service Work and Welfare Reform Among Battered Black Women*. SUNY Cortland. Cortland, NY, April.

*Interrupting the Silence: Searching for the Speech Acts of Black Lesbian Mothers on Welfare.* Lavender Languages Conference, American University. Washington, D.C., February.

2004 *Students in the Field.* (Organizer*).* American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA. November.

*On Being a Black Woman in the Academy*. Graduate Center, City University of New York. New York, NY, November.

*Structural Violence and Agency* (Discussant remarks for Death and Rebirth of North Central Philadelphia*)*. Society for the Anthropology of North America. Atlanta, GA, April.

2003 *A Closer Look at TANF.* Women of Color Network Conference: Moving

Beyond Emergency Services: Increasing Economic Security for Survivors

of Domestic Violence. Miami, FL. November.

*Politicizing Students in the Field: Pedagogies for an Activist Anthropology.* (Organizer/Presenter)**.**Society for the Anthropology of North America Annual Conference, Nova Scotia, May.

2002 *The Politics of Reform: Critical Views of Welfare Reform and*

*Poverty Policies in the United States.* (Discussant). American Anthropological Association. New Orleans, LA, November.

*The Power of Girls*. The Dyson Foundation. Poughkeepsie, NY, June.

*"De-essentializing" Welfare Recipients and Non-State Actors.* Human Rights Seminar Series, Columbia University. NY, May.

*The Burdens of Service: Economic Restructuring, Welfare Reform and Black Women, New York.* Canadian Anthropological Society/Society for the Anthropology of North America Annual Meeting, University of Windsor. Windsor, Ontario, May.

*TANF Reauthorization in Two Communities in New York City.* Kellogg

Devolution Initiative, National Videoconference on Welfare Reauthorization. University of Maryland, College Park; City University of New York, and Jackson State University, April.

*Bringing Diversity to the Classroom.* Department of Anthropology, Graduate School and University Center. NY, February.

2001 *The Impact of Welfare Reform in Harlem, New York*. Kellogg Foundation Scholar Practitioner Roundtable. Washington, D.C., June.

2000 *Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Welfare Reform in New York State.*

Kellogg Foundation Devolution Initiative Networking Meeting. Marysville, WA, September.

*Girls and Participatory Research.* Urban Girls Conference, State University of New York. Buffalo, NY, April.

1998 *Don’t be Afraid of Research: Evaluating HIV/AIDS programs.* The Women and AIDS Fund Technical Assistance Conference, Ms. Foundation for Women. New York, May.

*The Prison Industrial Complex.* Ms. Foundation for Women. New York, April.

*Violence Against Women: Educating Communities and Changing Institutions.* Sixth Women's Global Leadership Institute, Rutgers State University. NJ, June.

*History of Domestic Violence in the Lives of African-Americans.* Domestic Violence Across the Life-span of African-Americans Conference. Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community. San Francisco, CA, December.

*Black Women, Family Violence, Human Rights and Welfare.* Hampshire College, Amherst, MA, April.

1997 *Oh, Sister Shelter Me: Responses to Battered Women in Windhoek,*

*Namibia and Brooklyn, New York.* State University of New York at Stony Brook, February.

*Volunteerism as a Strategy for Obtaining Wage Labor: The Gendered Nature of Volunteerism in Windhoek, Namibia - Comments from the Field.* Graduate School and University Center. NY, October.

*History of Reproductive Rights: Black Women and Their Bodies.* Annual Board Meeting, New York National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League. New York.

***Appointments and Professional organizations***

Appointments

2018 Governor Cuomo’s Maternal/Mortality Task Force (Appointed June 2018)

Professional Organizations

2017-Present Editorial Board, *CA* (Cultural Anthropology)

Editorial Board, *WSQ* (Women’s Studies Quarterly)

Editorial Board, *Theorizing Ethnography: Concept, Context, Critique*.

Routledge.

2015 Race, Politics & Reproductivities Working Group, Co-founder with Christa Craven, Risa Cromer, Daisy Deomampo, Nessette Falu &

Natali Valdez

2013 Program Chair, 112th Meeting of American Anthropological Association

2010-2013 Co-Editor, *Transforming Anthropology (*The Journal for the Association of Black Anthropologists)

2009-2010 Vera Green Award Committee

2010 John Gwaltney Award Committee

2008-Present Executive Board, Association of Black Anthropologists (appointed)

2008-Present Editorial Board, *Ethnicity and Race in a Changing world: A Review Journal* (University of Manchester)

2007-2008 President, Association of Black Anthropologists (elected)

2005-2006 Board member, Association of Feminist Anthropology (elected)

2003-2004 Program Chair, Society for Anthropology of North America (appointed)

2001-Present American Anthropological Association

2001-2003 Society of Anthropology for North America, Program Committee

Editorial Boards

2017-Present CA (Cultural Anthropology)

WSQ (Women’s Studies Quarterly)

2008-Present Editorial Board, *Ethnicity and Race in a Changing world: A Review Journal* (University of Manchester)

2007-Present Editorial Advisory Board Member, *Biopolitics: Medicine, Technoscience and Health in the Twenty-first Century,* NYU Press.

2006-2012 Editorial Working Group, *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture, and Society*

***Community Service***

2008-2012 Board Chair, New York Foundation (Board member beginning September 2002)

2006-2012 Human Rights Project, Advisory Committee

2004 – 2005 Sista to Sista Advisory Board

2003-2007 Steering Committee, Women of Color Policy Network Roundtable of Institutions of People of Color and Women of Color Policy Network. New York University, Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service.

2003 Steering Committee Member for Economic Development Conference

Women of Color Network. Cincinnati, Ohio.

1999-2004 Board Member, Harm Reduction Educators

1998-Present Board Member, Aubin Pictures

1993-1997 New York State National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League, Board Co-Chair

1994 Presidential Selection Committee, Hunter College

1983-1984 Harlem YWCA, Board Member

1982-1987 Bronx Council on the Arts, Vice President

***Consultant activities (selected)***

* Interfaith Voices for Reproductive Justice – Organizational Consultant 2017
* Adco Foundation. Consulting Executive Director. 2003 - Present
* National Network of Abortion Funds. 2005 – 2008
* Ford Foundation. 2004. Program Consultant
* Ms. Foundation for Women, Women and AIDS Fund, 2002. Technical Assistance Consultant
* Family Violence Prevention Fund, 2001 - 2002. Research Consultant
* Gay Men of African Descent, 1998 - 2001. Program Evaluation Consultant
* Institute on Violence, 1998 - 2000. Program Development Consultant
* Ms. Foundation for Women, Healthy Girls/Healthy Women Collaborative, 1998 - 2000. Co-Director of Evaluation Research
* Iris House, A Center for Women Living with HIV, 1997-1999. Proposal Writing Consultant
* African-American Task Force on Violence Against Women, 1997-2001. Research Consultant
* Wagner School of Public Health, Black Women and Mammography, National Cancer Institute Study. New York University, 1995 - 1998. Coordinator of Research