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Curriculum Vitae

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PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

2014 -present **University of West Georgia**, Assistant Professor of Sociology

EDUCATION

2015 **Ph.D.**, Sociology – Emory University, Atlanta, GA
2004 **M.A.T.**, Social Studies – Duke University, Durham, NC
2003 **B. A.**, Sociology, High Honors – Emory University, Atlanta, GA

DOCTORAL DISSERTATION

Title: *Portraits of Black Millennials' Understandings of U.S. Racial Dynamics in the 21st Century.*

Committee: Amanda Lewis (co-chair), Irene Browne (co-chair), Robert Agnew, Tina M. Harris

Preliminary Exam: Social Inequality/Stratification; Race and Ethnic Relations

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Social Inequality	Race and Ethnic Relations
Sociology of Education	Children and Youth
Racial Attitudes	Research Methods

AWARDS, HONORS, & GRANTS

2014 Professional Development Support Funds –Research Support, Competitive Award, Emory University
2013 Dissertation Completion Grant, Social Science Research Council
2013 Professional Development Support Funds -Research Support, Emory University
2012 On Recent Discoveries of Emory Researchers (ORDER) Fellowship, Emory University
2011 Pre-doctoral Research Development Grant, Social Science Research Council
2009 Graduate Student Assistantship Grant, Social Science Research Council
2007 Arts and Science Fellowship, Emory University
2002 Rockefeller Brothers' Fund Fellowship
2001 Mellon-Mays Minority Undergraduate Fellowship
2001 Alpha Kappa Delta, National Sociology Honor Society
2001 Omicron Delta Kappa, National Leadership and Academic Honor Society

PUBLICATIONS

Harris, T. M. & Lee, C. 2011. "Health Promotion from the Pulpit: A Platform for Ministerial Efforts to Advance a Healthy Agenda to Congregants." Pp.143-161 in *Health Communication and Faith Communities*, edited by Ann Neville Miller and Donald L. Rubin. Cresskill, NJ: Hampton Press.

Lee, Celeste and Caddie Putnam-Rankin. 2010. "Homeschooling in the South." *Encyclopedia of Southern Culture*, vol. 19.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Lee, Celeste. "Mind the Gap: An Investigation of Causal Mechanisms Underlying the Relationship between Race, Education, and Income Disparities for Black Graduates of Graduates of Predominantly White Institutions and Historically Black Colleges and Universities." In Progress.

Lee, Celeste. "Beyond the Test: The Impact of Stereotype Threat on Black Graduate Students' Academic and Professional Socialization at Predominantly White Institutions." In Progress.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2013 Lee, Celeste and Yui Ding. "Exploring Effective Strategies and Learning Outcomes for Interdisciplinary Studies." International Society for Exploring Teaching and Learning, Orlando, FL.

2010 Lee, Celeste. "Mind the Gap: An Investigation of Causal Mechanisms Underlying the Relationship between Race, Education, and Income Disparities for Black Graduates of Graduates of Predominantly White Institutions and Historically Black Colleges and Universities." American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.

2010 Lee, Celeste. "Mind the Gap: An Investigation of Income Disparities between Black Graduates of Predominantly White Institutions and Historically Black Colleges and Universities." Association of Black Sociologists, Atlanta, GA.

2004 Lee, Celeste. "An Introspective Review of the Master's of Arts and Teaching Programs." Presented at the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, Duke University, Durham, NC.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Spring 2012 - 2015 *Graduate Program Assistant*, UNCF/ Mellon-Mays Programs, Supervisor: Dr. Cynthia Neal Spence (Spelman College). Responsible for data collection and building a dataset that tracks MMUF fellows' academic experiences from completing the undergraduate degree to completion of the PhD and first job placement. Also responsible for survey construction, data analysis, and program assessments. Use Excel and SPSS to manage dataset and analyze data.

Fall 2010 - 2014 *Data Analyst*, National Blood Clot Alliance (NBCA). Compiled and analyzed survey data collected from NBCA presentation sites. Use SPSS and Excel to create summary report of survey responses from each site.

Fall 2009 *Research Assistant*, Principal Investigator: Dr. Tina Harris (University of Georgia). Conducted content analysis of Faith Based Organizations' websites and sermons.

Spring 2009 *Research Assistant*, Principal Investigator: Dr. Regina Werum (Emory University). Used the *General Social Survey* to gather national level data on public opinions

regarding homeschooling and other related issues. Used STATA for preliminary data analysis of homeschooling trends.

Fall 2008 *Research Assistant*, Principal Investigator: Dr. Regina Werum (Emory University). Traced history of homeschooling education laws. Coded homeschooling court cases and created dataset of state and federal level homeschooling legislation.

Fall 2007 *Focus Group Facilitator*, "Fostering Excellence: Improving Student Success at Highly Selective Universities." Emory University, Principal Investigator: Kate Sweeney-Director of Educational Research.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

Fall 2015 *Cultural and Racial Minorities*
Social Inequality
Research Methodology
Department of Sociology, University of West Georgia

Fall 2012 -
Spring 2013 ORDER Seminar: *Going Viral: Spread of Infectious Disease, Politics, and Ideas*.
Teacher-Scholar, ORDER Fellowship, Emory University
Worked in collaboration with four other advanced graduate students to create a course and curriculum for an interdisciplinary, web-enhanced freshman seminar (Fall 2012) and senior seminar (Spring 2013). Each graduate student taught a 3-4 week module on their dissertation research and served as a semester long mentor for a small group of students as they work on an independent research project. Course curriculum included experiential learning, online learning, and traditional in the classroom learning experiences.

Fall 2011 *Class, Status, and Power (web enhanced)*
Department of Sociology, Emory University

Spring 2011 *Race and Ethnic Relations (web enhanced)*
Department of Sociology, Emory University

Teaching Assistant

Spring 2013 *Sociology of Education*, Dr. Richard Rubinson
Department of Sociology, Emory University

Spring 2010 *Race and Ethnic Relations*, Dr. Amanda Lewis
Department of Sociology, Emory University

Fall 2009 *Introduction to Sociology*, Dr. Richard Rubinson
Department of Sociology, Emory University

Spring 2008 *Race and Ethnic Relations*, Dr. Regina Werum
Department of Sociology, Emory University

Fall 2007 *Social Movements*, Dr. Matthew Archibald
Department of Sociology, Emory University

Other

- Fall 2014 *Invited lecturer* (September)
The Sociological Imagination (SOC 203), Spelman College - Atlanta, GA
Lecture: "Sociological Research: Form, Content, and Methods"
- Invited lecturer* (October)
The Sociological Imagination (SOC 203), Spelman College - Atlanta, GA
Lecture: "Unpacking Social Stratification"
- Fall 2014 *Research Instructor*, Research in Sociology at Emory (RISE)
Department of Sociology, Emory University
Worked with undergraduate research assistant on coding qualitative data using MaxQDA software.
- Spring 2014 *Research Instructor*, Research in Sociology at Emory (RISE)
Department of Sociology, Emory University
Worked with undergraduate research assistant on quantitative data collection and data analysis using SPSS.
- 2013 Coordinator, Mellon-Mays Undergraduate Fellowship (MMUF) January Program.
University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa
- 2012 Coordinator, Mellon-Mays Undergraduate Fellowship (MMUF) January Program.
University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa
- 2009 –
2014 *Graduate Assistant*, Mellon-Mays Summer Institute: Race in the Academy
Emory University
Taught research skills, academic writing, and led writing/prospectus workshop.
Worked one on one with UNCF and Emory Mellon-Mays undergraduate fellows on their research prospectus and presentations.
- 2004 – 2007 *Teacher*, Mundy's Mill High School, Jonesboro GA
- Taught U.S. History, Psychology, Sociology, and Geography
 - Instituted Online curriculum for Psychology and Sociology Courses
 - Georgia State Licensures in Social Studies, grades 7-12

SPECIALIZED RESEARCH TRAINING

- Spring 2011 Qualitative Data Collection, Social and Behavioral Science Research Center, Emory University
- Spring 2010 Advanced *STATA* Training Workshop, Social and Behavioral Science Research Center, Emory University
- Fall 2008 *STATA* Training Workshop, Social and Behavioral Science Research Center, Emory University

PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

- Spring 2010 Sociology 767, *Teaching Sociology*, Emory University

Summer 2008 Laney Graduate School intensive training course, *Teaching Assistant Training and Teaching Opportunities (TATTO)*, Emory University

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Fall 2014 Discussant, UNCF/Mellon-Mays Coordinators and Mentors Conference, Atlanta GA
- 2013-2014 Chair, Mellon Mays Fellowship Professional Network (MMFPN), Atlanta, GA
- Spring 2014 Judge, "Spelman College Research Day 2014."
- Fall 2013 Session Chair, Mellon Mays Undergraduate Research Fellowship Southeastern Regional Conference, Atlanta GA
- Fall 2013 Roundtable Moderator, American Sociological Association Conference, New York NY
- Fall 2013 Discussant, UNCF/Mellon-Mays Coordinators and Mentors Conference, Atlanta GA
- Spring 2013 Selection Committee, Mellon Mays Undergraduate Research Fellowship, UNCF
- Fall 2012 Discussant, UNCF/Mellon-Mays Coordinators and Mentors Conference, Atlanta GA
- Spring 2012 Judge, "Spelman College Research Day 2012."
- Spring 2012 Selection Committee, Mellon Mays Undergraduate Research Fellowship, UNCF
- Fall 2011 Discussant, UNCF/Mellon-Mays Coordinators and Mentors Conference, Atlanta GA
- Spring 2010 Judge, "Spelman College Research Day 2010."
- 2009-2010 Vice President, Coalition of Graduate Sociologists, Emory University
- 2009-2010 Committee Member, Emory University Prospective Student Recruitment Committee
- 2008-2009 Treasurer, Coalition of Graduate Sociologists, Emory University
- 2007-2008 Coordinator, Emory University Prospective Student Recruitment Weekend

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Sociological Association
Association of Black Sociologists

REFERENCES

Dr. Amanda Lewis
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