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**CURRENT POSITION**

Professor, History/Africana Studies Affiliate, Stony Brook University, 2022-  
 Associate Professor, History/Africana Studies Affiliate, Stony Brook University, 2016 to present  
 Assistant Professor, History/Africana Studies Affiliate, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, 2013-  
 2016

**EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. **University of California, Los Angeles**, African History, August 2003, subfields: South Asia, African-American History, Anthropology. Dissertation: "Children of the Mission in Kano Emirate: Conflicts of Conversion in Colonial Northern Nigeria, c.1899-1953"
- M.A. **University of California, Los Angeles**, African History, with Honors, 1999
- B.A. **Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT**, History: Africa, Asian, Latin America, with Honors, 1995. Thesis: "The Assemblies of God Missions in India and Nigeria"

**RESEARCH LANGUAGES:** French (proficient reading, writing; conversational speaking); Hausa (full proficiency); Hindi (basic speaking); Kiswahili (competency in reading, writing, and speaking); Tamil (fluent speaker)

**SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND PRIZES**

- Africa Fellow, Wilson Center, Washington, DC, 2022-2023
- Contributor, to *Oxford Encyclopedia of African Historiography: Methods and Sources*, edited by Thomas Spear, American Historical Association Waldo G. Leland Prize for Outstanding Reference Tool in History, 2021
- COVID-19 Seed Grant from Stony Brook for project titled "Adapting Social Behaviors during the Ebola and COVID-19 Emergencies: A Household-Level Analysis from the West African Region," May 18, 2020
- Stony Brook Sabbatical Leave, 2019-2020
- Stony Brook Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Individual Grant to conduct research in Ghana on "Ghanaian Hinduism: A Religious Economy between West Africa and India," January 7-22, 2019
- Africa's Asian Options (AFRASO) Fellow, Goethe University, Frankfurt, May-July 2018
- Humanities Institute of Stony Brook, Faculty Fellow, Stony Brook, NY, January-May 2018
- Stony Brook Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Collaborative Grant to host "Africans in India" exhibit, on loan from the New York Public Library, 2017
- Stony Brook Presidential Distinguished Travel Grant, 2016

- Council for American Overseas Research Centers Multi-Country Fellowship, 2014-2015 (for Senegal/West African Research Center and India/American Institute of Indian Studies)
- Georgetown University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Summer Academic Grants, 2011, 2012
- American Historical Association, Bernadotte Schmitt Research Grant, 2005
- Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, Fieldwork Grant, 2002
- Fulbright/Institute of International Education, Research Fellowship, Nigeria, 2001

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

#### **Books in progress**

*Goods from Afar: Nigeria, India, and the Making of Dependency in the Developing World*

*African Histories of Health and Disease: Concepts, Contentions, Counterpoints*, to be co-authored with Karen Flint, commissioned by Cambridge University Press (first round of readers' reports received; proposal under revision)

*Handbook of West African History*, with Olufemi Vaughan, commissioned by Routledge (first round of readers' reports received)

#### **Published Monographs and Edited Volumes**

*An Uneasy Embrace: Africa, India and the Spectre of Race* (African Arguments series, International African Institute/Hurst/Oxford, 2021)

*Transforming Africa's Religious Landscapes: The Sudan Interior Mission (SIM), Past and Present*. Coedited with Tim Geysbeek, Barbara Cooper, Musa Gaiya, Gary Corwin, and Tibebe Eshete. Trenton: Africa World Press, 2018.

*Who Shall Enter Paradise? Christian Origins in Muslim Northern Nigeria, c.1890-1975*. Ohio University Press, 2014. Reviewed in *American Historical Review*, *Journal of African History*, *Africa*, *Canadian Journal of History*, *African Studies Quarterly*, *Social Sciences and Missions*

*Religions on the Move: New Dynamics of Religious Expansion in a Globalizing World*. Coedited with Afe Adogame, in International Studies in Religion and Society Series, edited by Peter Beyer and Lori Beaman. Leiden: Brill, 2012.

#### **Articles in progress**

"Hajj Humanitarianism: Nigeria's Moral Power in the Muslim World," *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East* (revision submitted Aug. 1, 2022)

"Indigenous Religions in Northern Nigeria: Histories Lost and Found in Muslim-Christian Competition," in *Muslims, Christians and 'Traditionalists' in Africa: Coexistence, Conviviality and Conflict in Plural Religious Fields*, edited by Marloes Janson, Kai Kresse, Hassan Mwakimako and Benedikt Pontzen (submission to James Currey)

Co-editor and contribution to special Issue for *Africa: Journal of the International African Institute*, tentatively titled “Mediations Between Africa and India: Cultural Economies beyond the Indian Ocean,” with Oliver Coates, Neelima Jeychandran, and Elyan Hill. Single-author article, “‘Touching Scenes: Photographs, Intimacy, and Making Multiracialism in the Ahmadiyya Muslim Movement in West Africa’ [submission in August 2022]

“Christian Missions in the Indian Ocean,” with Joel Cabrita, for *The Cambridge History of the Indian Ocean*, edited by Sugata Bose [Jan. 2023 submission]

### **Refereed Research Articles and Essays**

“A Missing Link: African Christian Resonances in the Rise of Indian Muslim and Hindu Missions,” *Studies in World Christianity* 28, no. 2 (2022): 169-187.

“Women and Islam,” *Oxford Reference Encyclopedia of African History*, editor in chief Thomas Spear; also in print in *Oxford Encyclopedia of African Women’s History*, edited by Dorothy Hodgson, Alicia Decker, Abosede George, Tabitha Kanogo, Fatimia Siddiqi, Pamela Scully, and Kathleen Sheldon (New York: Oxford University Press, October 2021).

“Hindu Devotional Music in Ghana: Singing and Sensing the Unknown,” *Yale Journal of Music and Religion* vol.6, no. 2, Special issued on Sound and Secularity by Margarethe Adams and August Sheehy (2020/2021): 89-103.

“Slavery, an African-Indian Conceptualization,” in *Prejudice, Discrimination and Racism against Africans and Siddhis in India*, edited by Ibrahima Diallo (Newcastle Upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Press, 2020).

“Precolonial Christianity and Missionary Legacies,” in *Oxford Handbook of Nigerian Politics*, edited by Carl Levan and Patrick Ukata (New York: Oxford University Press, 2018).

“The SOAS School of African History,” *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of African History*, editor in chief Thomas Spear (New York: Oxford University Press, 2018).

“Race, Ethnicity, and Assimilation: Anthropology, American Missions, and Christian-Muslim Politics in British Northern Nigeria,” *Social Science and Missions* vol. 29, nos. 1-2 (2016): 37-65.

“Blurring Relief and Development: Religious and Secular Politics of International Humanitarian Intervention During Decolonization in Sub-Saharan Africa,” in *Dilemmas of International Humanitarian Aid in the Twentieth Century*, edited by Johannes Paulmann, Oxford University Press, 2016.

“Parchman Women Write the Blues?: What Became of Black Women’s Prison Music in Mississippi in the 1930s,” *American Music* 31, no. 2, Special Issue “Women’s Prison Music,” edited by Benjamin Harbert (2013): 183-202.

“Medical Missionaries and Modernizing Emirs in Colonial Hausaland: Leprosy Control and Native Authority,” *Journal of African History* 48, no.1 (March 2007): 45-68.

## Book Chapters

“Christian-Muslim Relations,” in *Handbook on Islam in Africa*, edited by Terje Ostebo (New York: Routledge, 2022).

“‘Worlding Christianity’: Using Methods of Borderlands History to Map Religious Frontiers,” in *World Christianity: History, Methods, Horizons*, edited by Jehu Hanciles (New York: Orbis, 2022).

“Religion in Precolonial Nigeria,” in *Oxford Handbook of Nigerian History*, edited by Toyin Falola and Matthew Heaton (New York: Oxford University Press, 2022).

“Women’s Evangelical Revolutions in Northern Nigeria,” in *Evangelical Christianity and the Transformation of Africa*, edited by Jacob Olupona (in press, Georgetown University Press).

With George Osei. “Social Life, Illness, and the Marketplace in Kumasi, Ghana, From the 20<sup>th</sup> Century to the Present,” in *Epidemic Urbanism: How Contagious Diseases Have Shaped Global Cities*, edited by Mohammad Gharipour and Caitlin DeClerq (Bristol: Intellect Books, 2021).

“A Tale of Two Gandhis in Ghana,” in *Black Ambassadors of Politics, Religion and Jazz in India: Afro-South Asia in the Global African Diaspora* vol. 3, edited by Omar Ali, Kenneth X. Robbins, Beheroze Schroff, and Jazmin Graves (UNC Greensboro/Ahmedabad Sidi Heritage and Education Center, 2020).

“Lessons Learned from Lassa and Ebola Fevers: Missionaries and Epidemics in West Africa, 1969 to the present,” in *Breaking Barriers: SIM and African Pioneers Remaking Missions in the Sudan*, co-edited by Geysbeek et al. (Trenton: Africa World Press, 2018).

Islam in Africa,” co-authored with Sean Hanretta, *A Companion to African History*, coedited by Nwando Achebe, Charles Ambler, and William Worger (New York: John Wiley and Sons, 2018).

“Civil Society and Religion in Africa,” in *Handbook of Civil Society in Africa*, edited by Ebenezer Obadare (Springer, 2014), 25-41.

“A Fifty-Year Muslim Conversion to Christianity: Religious Ambiguities and Colonial Boundaries in Northern Nigeria, c. 1910-1963,” in *Muslim/Christian Encounters in Africa, Islam in Africa Series*, ed. Benjamin Soares (Leiden: E.J. Brill, 2006).

“The Social Dimensions of Christian Leprosy Work among Muslims: American Missionaries and Young Patients in Colonial Northern Nigeria, 1920-1940,” in *Healing Bodies, Saving Souls: Medical Missions in Africa and Asia*, ed. David Hardiman, Clio Medica/The Wellcome Series in the History of Medicine Vol. 80 (Rodopi: Amsterdam, 2006).

“Religion, State, and Society in Hausaland: History and the Politics of Incorporation in the Kano Chronicle,” in Akinwumi Ogundiran, ed., *Pre-Colonial Nigeria: Essays in Honor of Toyin Falola* (Lawrenceville, NJ: Africa World Press, 2005).

## Opinion Essays/Blog Posts/Media Interviews

Podcast interviews on Afrofiles and New Books Network, 2022

<https://anchor.fm/afrofiles>

<https://newbooksnetwork.com/an-uneasy-embrace>

“India and Africa in Parallax: In Conversation with Renu Modi, Shobana Shankar, and Meera Venkatachalam,” by Neilesh Bose, *Borderlines—Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East*, June 15, 2021; <https://www.borderlines-cssaame.org/posts/2021/6/2/india-and-africa-in-parallax>

“An Uneasy Embrace: Youth and Africa-India Entanglements,” invited essay for “An Age of Agitation” series, edited by Alcinda Honwana, Dan Hodgkinson, and Luke Melchiorre, “Debating Africa” blog, International African Institute, May 13, 2021; <https://africanarguments.org/2021/05/an-uneasy-embrace-youth-and-africa-india-entanglements/>

“Emotions as the New Ethical Turn in Social Research,” invited blog essay for Social Science Research Council’s blog “Items,” June 4, 2020; <https://items.ssrc.org/covid-19-and-the-social-sciences/social-research-and-insecurity/emotions-as-the-new-ethical-turn-in-social-research/>

“For Mississippi to fix its prisons, it must recognize their dehumanizing, eugenic roots,” *The Washington Post* “Made by History,” January 29, 2020, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2020/01/29/mississippi-fix-its-prisons-it-must-recognize-their-dehumanizing-eugenic-roots/>

“What the U.S. Could Learn about Vaccination from Nigeria,” for *The Conversation*, June 6, 2019; <https://theconversation.com/what-the-us-could-learn-about-vaccination-from-nigeria-117578>

Review of *Women and the War on Boko Haram: Wives, Weapons, Witnesses*, by Hilary Matfess (Zed Books, 2017), for “Africa is a Country;” <https://africasacountry.com/2018/06/the-contradictions-of-boko-haram>

Interview for “Africans and Indians-A History of Black and Brown,” by Lavina Melwani, blog “Lassi with Lavina,” March 30, 2018; <http://www.lassiwithlavina.com/thebuzz/africans-india-slaves-sultans-racism/html>

Interview for “Africans in India: From Slaves to Sultans,” by Lavina Melwani, *Khabar* magazine, August 2017; <http://www.khabar.com/magazine/cover-story/africans-in-india-from-slaves-to-sultans>

“Is There Such a Category as a Biafran Immigrant?” *Africa is a Country*, July 21, 2017; <http://africasacountry.com/2017/07/is-there-such-a-category-as-a-biafran-immigrant/>

### **UN Reports and Flagships**

Principal writer (corporate author UNICEF), *Beijing+15: What Has the World Done for Girls*. UNICEF report presented to the UN Committee on the Status of Women 15-year review of the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, February 2010.

### Contributing writer (corporate author UNICEF)

- State of the World’s Children 2010: Adolescents

- A Special Issue of State of the World's Children: The Convention on the Rights of the Child at 20 (2009)
- State of the World's Children 2009: Maternal and Newborn Health

#### Editorial and production consultant, UNICEF and UN

- Facts for Life, 2002
- State of the World's Children 1998: Focus on Nutrition
- UN Secretary-General's Blue Books Series, 1995-96
- Basic Facts about the UN, 1995-96 (English and French versions)

#### **Encyclopedia Entries**

“Christian-Muslim Relations in Nigeria,” *Oxford Islamic Studies Online Regional Update*, edited by Benjamin Soares and Reudiger Seesemann, John Esposito, 2013.

“Women, Girls, and Health Policies in Sub-Saharan Africa,” in Suad Joseph, ed., *Encyclopedia of Women in Islamic Cultures*, Vol. 3, “Family, Body, Sexuality and Health” (Leiden: E.J. Brill, 2006).

Biographical Entries, ABC-CLIO ResourceLink CD-Roms, edited by Tim O'Donnell: 18<sup>th</sup> Century World History (May 2000); 19<sup>th</sup> Century World History (Oct. 1999); 20<sup>th</sup> Century World History (June 1999).

#### **Book Reviews**

Barbara Cooper, *Countless Blessings: A History of Childbirth and Reproduction in the Sabel* (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2010), *Journal of Family History* (2022), 1-3.

Jon Soske, *Internal Frontiers: African Nationalism and the Indian Diaspora in 20<sup>th</sup> Century South Africa* (Athens: Ohio University Press, 2017), *African Studies Review* 63, no. 1 (2020): 35-37.

Mara Leichtman, *Shi'i Cosmopolitanisms: Lebanese Migration and Religious Conversion in Senegal* (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2015), *Journal of West African History* 3, no. 2 (Fall 2017): 200-203.

Sana Aiyar, *Indians in Kenya: The Politics of Diaspora* (Harvard University Press, 2015), *Journal of African History* 59, no. 1 (March 2018): 127-9.

Barbara Mann Wall, *Into Africa: A Transnational History of Catholic Medical Missions and Social Change* (Rutgers University Press, 2015), *Social History of Medicine* 30, no. 2 (2017).

Moses Ochonu, *Colonialism by Proxy: Hausa Imperial Agents and Middle Belt Consciousness in Northern Nigeria* (Indiana University Press, 2014), *Journal of African History* 57, no. 2 (2016): 312-314.

David Chidester, *Empire and Religion: Imperialism and Comparative Religion* (University of Chicago Press, 2013), *Journal of African History* Vol. 57, no. 1 (March 2016): 144-146.

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

### **Introductory Surveys**

Early Africa; Modern Africa; Health and Disease in African History; West Africa in World History, Introduction to Global Studies and International Relations

### **Intermediate-level courses**

Global History of Witchcraft; Conflict and Reconciliation in Africa; Islam and Protest in Africa and the Diaspora; Slavery and Abolition in Africa; Racial Politics in Africa

### **Undergraduate Seminars**

African Atlantic; Religion and Politics in Africa; Gender, Health, and Healing in Africa; City Life in Africa; African-Asian Relations; Missionaries in World History: Saving Souls or Spreading Capitalism

### **Graduate Courses**

Society and Politics in Modern Africa; Africa between the Atlantic and Indian Ocean Worlds; Core Readings for History Scholars; Teaching Practicum

### **Doctoral Student Supervision**

- Huzaifa Dokaji, “Shia in Northern Nigeria,” doctoral advisor
- George Osei, “Witch Camps in Ghana,” doctoral advisor
- Aishani Gupta, ““The Shrine’s City: Pilgrimage, Politics, and the Making of Colonial Ajmer, India, 1857-1947,” doctoral committee member
- Directed Reading “Islamic Feminism,” Yalda Hamidi, Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies

### **Undergraduate Research Supervision**

- Honors History thesis reader, Griffin DeGaetano, “Tuteisha!: The History of the Belarusian National Idea,” 2020
- Honors History thesis advisor, Stony Brook, Khondker Hossain, “Power to the People: Education, Revolution, and the Black Panther Party,” 2016-2017
- Honors History thesis advisor, Stony Brook, Ryan Schmitt, “Class Consciousness in Socialist Tanzania,” 2014-2015
- Undergraduate research symposium paper, Michael Hoffman, “Traditional Medicine and Temperance: The Complexities of Health Policy in South Africa under British Rule,” April 30, 2014.

## **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

“African Silence on Idi Amin’s Asian Expulsion,” Oxford University, 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Uganda’s Asian Expulsion conference, May 20, 2022.

Commentator, Dr. Wendell Hassan Marsh manuscript workshop, Rutgers University, Newark, April 1, 2022.

*An Uneasy Embrace* book talk, Institute for the Study of Islamic Thought, Northwestern University, April date to be confirmed.

Commentator, Book panel on *India's Development Diplomacy and Soft Power in Africa*, edited by Kenneth King and Meera Venkatachalam (James Currey, 2021), Mumbai University African Studies Centre, March 30, 2022.

Invited Speaker, "Whiteness in South Asia: India, Iran, Pakistan," Habib University, 5<sup>th</sup> Postcolonial Higher Education Conference, Karachi, Pakistan, March 23, 2022.

Commentator, Aisha Khan's *The Deepest Dye: Obeah, Hosay, and Race in the Atlantic World* (Harvard UP, 2021), NYU Global Asia Institute, February 18, 2022.

Commentator, "The Expansion of Christian Zionism in the Global South," Fundacao Joaquim Nabuco/Institute for Social Reseach, Sao Paulo, Brazil, October 14, 2021.

Panelist, "Remembering Lamin Sanneh," World Christianity Conference, Princeton Theological Seminary, March 16, 2019.

Panelist, "Stolen Daughters: Kidnapped by Boko Haram," HBO documentary premier, Margaret Mead Film Festival, American Museum of Natural History, New York, October 18, 2018.  
<https://www.amnh.org/explore/margaret-mead-film-festival/archives/2018/films/opening-night-film-stolen-daughters-kidnapped-by-boko-haram>

"Indians and Pakistanis in African Universities: The Cultural Politics of Postcolonial Knowledge-Production," AFRASO seminar, June 21, 2018, Goethe University, Frankfurt.

"The Mississippi Appendectomy: Prison Medicine as a Process of African-American Alienation," moderated by Keith Wailoo, Susan Reverby, and Nancy Tomes, New York Academy of Medicine, April 20, 2018.

"Afro-Dravidianism: A Senegalese-South Indian Muslim-Hindu Enchantment." University of Florida African Studies Baraza, January 19, 2018.

Commentator on Helon Habila's *The Chibok Girls: The Boko Haram Kidnappings and Islamic Militancy in Nigeria*, Columbia University Committee on Global Thought/School of Journalism, Dec. 6, 2016.

Panelist on "West African and Diasporic Religions," for the international launch of the *Journal of West African History*, Michigan State University, East Lansing, April 7-9, 2016.

"Senegal and India: Historical Ties and Future Possibilities," seminar at Le Centre de Recherche Ouest Africain/West African Research Centre, Fann Resident, Dakar, Senegal, Jan. 14, 2016.

#### **SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND PANEL ORGANIZATION**

*An Uneasy Embrace* book panel, Lagos Studies Association annual meeting, June 21-25, 2022.



Double panel co-organizer with Hilary Jones and presenter, “Re-centering Africa in Histories of Black Transnationalism: Transnational Frameworks and Decolonizing Methodologies,” African Studies Association Annual Meeting, Nov. 16-20, 2021. Participants included Carina Ray, Michelle Moyd, Naaborko Sackeyfio-Lenoch, Lorelle Semley, Cheikh Babou, Judi Byfield, Abosede George, Rachel Jean-Baptiste

Chair, panel “Emerging Themes in Islam and Politics in Nigeria,” Lagos Studies Association meeting, June 22-26, 2021.

Chair, panel “Africans as Subjects and Objects of Medical Practices,” Greater New York Area African History Workshop,” April 9, 2021.

“Blackness and Anti-Blackness in Asia,” for “Exploring Challenges of African Diaspora Communities,” Africa-US Forum University of Witwatersrand webinar, June 25, 2020.

“African ‘Intellectual Hunger’ and the Making of Indian Religious Enterprises,” for panel “Capitalism and Africa’s Place in the World Economy,” African Studies Association annual meeting, Boston, November, 23, 2019.

“Public-ising African-Indian Racial Imaginaries,” for Racialisation and Publicness in Africa and the African Diaspora, African Studies Centre, Oxford University, June 27-28, 2019.

Organizer and presenter on panel “African-Indian Religious Imaginations: Moving Beyond Secularist Studies of the Global South,” international conference Africa-Asia, A New Axis of Knowledge, September 20-22, 2018, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

### **CONFERENCE/SYMPOSIA/EXHIBIT ORGANIZATION**

New York University Luce Center for Global Asia, Afro-Asian Interactions, project leader with Cassie Washington. 2022-present, <https://wp.nyu.edu/cga/2021/12/11/project-notes/>

Garrett Felber, “Study and Struggle: Scholar-Activism Faces Censorship,” co-organized with Robert Chase, History/Africana Studies/Humanities Institute, Stony Brook, April 2021.

“Africans in India,” New York Public Library Exhibit Installation at the Stony Brook Charles B. Wang Center, Spring 2017.

### **BOOK/JOURNAL EDITORSHIPS AND MANUSCRIPT REVIEW**

Series founder and co-editor, *African Religions, Social Realities*, Ohio University Press, 2021-

Co-editor, *Studies of Religion in Africa* series, Brill Publishers, 2014 to 2020

Associate editor, *Social Science and Missions*, September 2018-

Editorial Board Member, *History in Africa*, 2020-

Editorial Board Member, *Religion and Development*, 2021-

Articles reviewer for *African Identities*, *African Studies Review*, *American Historical Review*, *Canadian Journal of African Studies*, *International Journal of African Historical Studies*, *Journal of African History*, *Journal of Religion in Africa*, *Journal of the Society for American Music*, *Journal of West African History*, *Radical History*

*Review, South African Historical Journal, Social Anthropology, Social Science and Missions, Social History of Medicine*

Book manuscript reviewer for Cambridge Scholars Press, James Currey, Ohio University Press, Routledge, University of Manchester Press

### **Expert Consultations and Testimony for Legal Proceedings**

Expert testimony for Asylum Applicant represented by Cooley LLP, 2018 (asylum granted)

Expert testimony requested for case handled by Paxton Law Group, 2016 (declined)

### **Service to the University**

Stony Brook University

#### ***History Department Service***

- **Search Committee Chair, Africa-Asia-Middle East connections, Spring 2022**
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee co-chair, spring 2021
- Executive Committee member, 2020-present
- Co-organizer with Lori Flores, Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities (URECA), Spring 2019
- Committee on Workplace Culture, History Department, 2018-2019
- Graduate Program Committee member, Admissions, and Awards/Grants subcommittee, 2014 to 2019
- Medieval Mediterranean History, Search Committee Member, 2017-2018
- Departmental Representative, American Historical Association Career Diversity Initiatives and Institute, 2017-2018
- African history curriculum redesign (in consultation with Africana Studies, 2014 to 2020)
- Workshop for History graduate students, “Careers Outside Academia,” April 1, 2015

#### ***University Service***

- College of Arts and Sciences Promotion and Tenure Committee (Junior), 2021-present
- College of Arts and Sciences Promotion and Tenure Committee (Senior), 2020-2021
- School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2021-2023
- Stony Brook Institutional Review Board (campus wide), 2019-
- Stony Brook Fulbright Campus Committee, Fall 2020
- Truman Scholar Mock Interview panel, Spring 2019
- College of Arts and Sciences Global Health/Disparities Working Group, Spring 2019
- Africana Studies Tenure Committee, 2017 to 2019

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/COLLABORATIONS**

African Studies Association

American Historical Association

Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD)

Michigan State University Transregional Studies Initiative Working Group

West African Research Association/West African Research Centre (WARA/WARC)

Yale-Edinburgh Group on the History of the Missionary Movement and World Christianity