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**CURRICULUM VITAE**

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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Political Science, Washington State University, Pullman, Washington, May 1985.

M.A., Political Science, Washington State University, Pullman, Washington, August 1979.

B.A., Political Science, Akron University, Akron, Ohio, June, 1973.

Dissertation: "CoalitionFormation and Social Revolution in Ethiopia and Zimbabwe."

M.A. Paper of Distinction: "Leninism as a Model for Socialism in Africa: A Comparison and Contrast between the Political Thought of Julius K. Nyerere and Amilcar Cabral."

**RESEARCH AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Comparative settler colonialism, revolution in Africa, African politics, politics of development

**TEACHING AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Comparative government and politics, African politics, the politics of development, comparative settler and post-settler colonialism, race and public polcy in America

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2002-present, Professor, Political Science Department, Western Washington University.

1993-2002, Associate Professor, Political Science Department, Western Washington University.

1988-93, Assistant Professor, Political Science Department, Western Washington University.

1986-88, Lecturer, Political Science Department, Western Washington University

1985-88, Instructor, Office of Continuing Education, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. Course taught: Introduction to Politics (by correspondence).

1985-87, Instructor, City University, American Heritage Institute, Bellevue, Washington. Courses taught: Black American Politics, Understanding the Conflict In South Africa.

1985-86, Visiting Lecturer, Political Science Department, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. Courses taught: Ethnic Minority Politics, African Politics.

1984, Spring, Instructor, Black Education Program, Eastern Washington University, Cheney, WA. Course taught: Black Politics.

1980-81, Teaching Assistant, Political Science Department, Washington State University, Pullman, WA. Course taught: American Government.

**Overseas**

Program Director/Faculty, “The Role of Nongovernmental Organizations in Development: The Case of

South Africa,” on-site in Plettenberg Bay, South Africa, International Programs and Exchanges,

Western Washington University, June-August, 2018.

Program Director/Faculty, “The Role of Nongovernmental Organizations in Development: The Case of

South Africa,” on-site in Plettenberg Bay, South Africa, International Programs and Exchanges,

Western Washington University, July-August, 2015.

Program Director/Faculty, “The Role of Nongovernmental Organizations in Development: The Case of

South Africa,” on-site in Plettenberg Bay, South Africa, International Programs and Exchanges,

Western Washington University, June-August, 2013.

Program Director/Faculty, “The Role of Nongovernmental Organizations in Development: The Case of

South Africa,” on-site in Plettenberg Bay, South Africa, International Programs and Exchanges,

Western Washington University, June-August, 2012.

Program Director/Faculty, “The Role of Nongovernmental Organizations in Development: The Case of

South Africa,” on-site in Plettenberg Bay, South Africa, International Programs and Exchanges,

Western Washington University, January-March, 2011.

Program Director/Faculty, “Race, Class and Ethnicity: Contesting Identities in Contemporary South

Africa,” on-site in Johannesburg, Durban and Cape Town, South Africa, University Extended

Programs, Western Washington University, August, 4-25, 2009.

Program Director/Faculty, “Race, Class and Ethnicity: Contesting Identities in Contemporary South

Africa,” on-site in Johannesburg, Durban and Cape Town, University Extended Programs,

Western Washington University, August 5-23, 2008.

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Political Studies, University of the Western Cape, Cape Town,

South Africa, April-June, 2007.

Faculty, Migration Studies Program, University of Latin America, Morelia, Mexico, January-

March, 2003.

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Political Science, University of Witswatersrand, Johannesburg,

South Africa, July-September, 1998.

**REFEREED RESEARCH**

Book Manuscripts

Johnson, Vernon D., *The Structual Origins of Revolution in Africa.* Lewiston, New York: Edwin

Mellen Press, April, 2003.

Johnson, Vernon D. and William Lyne, editors, *Walkin’ the Talk: An Interdisciplinary Anthology of African American Studies*. Upper Saddle River, New Jersey: Prentice-Hall Publishers, August, 2002.

**Articles/Chapters**

Johnson, Vernon D., and Benslimane, Kelsie, “Practical Representation and the Multiracial

Social Movement,” *Journal of Educational Controversy*, vol. 12, no. 1, Article 5, 2017

Available at: [https://cedar.wwu.edu/jec/vol12/iss1/5 2017](https://cedar.wwu.edu/jec/vol12/iss1/5%202017)

Johnson, Vernon. D., “Coloured South Africans and African Americans: Cultural Similarities

versus Political Differences in Post-Settler Colonial Societies,” in Alexius Amtaika, ed., *Cultural Dynamics in Africa: Traditions, Rituals, Indigenous Knowledge and Modernity in Perspective*. Austin, Texas: Pan-African University Press, July 2017, 363-82.

Johnson, Vernon D., “Coloured South Africans: a Middleman Minority of Another Kind,” *Social*

*Identities*, May, 2016, Available online at

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/13504630.2016.1175930>

Johnson, Vernon D. and Lorgen-Knapp, Kirsten, “NGO-Government Interactions in South Africa:

The Possibility of Cross-Sector Cooperation,” Shadrack Nasong’o, editor, *Contentious Politics in Africa: Identity, Conflict, and Social Change*, University Press of Carolina, May, 2016.

Johnson, Vernon D., and Dickinson, Eliot, “International Norms and the end of Apartheid in

South Africa,” *Safundi* (Journal of comparative United States and South Africa studies), vol.16, no.4, October, 2015.

Johnson, Vernon D., “Immigration and Domestic Politics in South Africa: Contradictions of the

Rainbow Nation,” *Ethnic Studies Review*, vol. 33, no. 1, 2010.

Johnson , Vernon D. and Frombgen, Elizabeth, “Populist Nationalism in the United States,”

*Social Identities*, September, 2009.

Johnson, Vernon D., “The Question of Revolution in the 21st Century: The Case Of Zimbabwe.” *The*

*Black Scholar*, Spring 2007, 2-11.

\_\_\_\_\_ ,“Globalization and the Study of Development,” in Wilbur Rich, editor, *African American Perspectives on Political Science*, Temple University Press, 2007, 76-103.

Johnson, Vernon D., and Hoover, Kenneth R., "Identity-Driven Violence: Reclaiming Civil Society,"

*Journal of Hate Studies*, vol. 3, 2004, 83-94.

Johnson, Vernon D., “Race and National Liberation,” in Kenneth Hoover, ed., *Ideology and Political*

*Life*, 3rd edition. New York: Harcourt Publishers, 2000, 165-82.

\_\_\_\_\_, Afro-Americans and United States Foreign Policy,” (adapted from *Humboldt Journal of Social*

*Relations*: see below) in Nikongo BaNikongo, *Leading Issues in African-American Studies*. Durham, North Carolina: Carolina University Press, 1997, 605-18.

\_\_\_\_\_, "Racial Formation in Zimbabwe," *National Political Science Review*, vol. 5, 1995, 241-62.

, "The Structural Causes of Anti-Colonial Revolutions in Africa," *Alternatives*, Spring, 1993,

201-227.

, "Afro-Americans and United States Foreign Policy," *Humboldt Journal of Social Relations*, Vol.

14, Nos., 1 & 2, 1987, 214-35.

NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

Academic Articles

Johnson, Vernon D., “The Marriage of Governance and Development,” Editor’s Introduction, *African*

*Journal of Governance and Development,* inaugural issue, November 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_,“A Response to Religion, Revolution and the Construction of Contemporary White-

American Nationalism,”in Eric Ward, Ed. *American Armageddon: Religion, Revolution and the Right*. Seattle: Peanut Butter Publishers, 1998, pp. 89-106.

, “Posse Comitatus, National Security and National Identity,”in Eric Ward, ed. The

*Second Civil War:States Rights, Sovereignty and the Power of the County*. Seattle: Peanut Butter

Publishers, 1997, pp. 117-30.

\_\_\_\_\_, “Race, Nationalism and Citizenship in Southern Rhodesia,” *Rendezvous*, Spring, 1997, 41-54.

Forthcoming

Johnson, Vernon D., “The Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment/Coalition for Human

Dignity,” in Emily K. Hobson and Daniel Berger, *Finding the Struggle: Radical Movements in the Neoliberal United States, 1970-2001*, University of Georgia Press, 2020.

\_\_\_\_\_, “Ed Bereal, “The Art of the Struggle,” essay in booklet for opening of “Disturbing the Peace,” a

Survey exhibition of works by WWU Emeritus Professor Ed Bereal, *Whatcom Museum*, September, 2019

**Book Reviews**

Johnson, Vernon D., of Luise White, *Unpopular Sovereignty: Rhodesian Independence and*

*African Decolonization.* Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2015, *in International Journal of African Historical Studies,*

\_\_\_\_\_, of John Dzimba*, South Africa’s Destabilization of Zimbabwe, 1980-*

*1989.* London: Macmillan Press, 1998, *in International Journal of African Historical*

*Studies,* vol. 35, no. 1C, Summer 2000. 11-13.

\_\_\_\_\_, of Georges Nzongala-Ntalaja and Margaret C. Lee, eds., *The State and*

*Democracy in Africa.* Trenton, New Jersey: Africa World Press, 1998, in *Politikon*,

(2000), vol. 27, no. 1, 149-52.

\_\_\_\_\_, of Clarence Lusanne, *African Americans at the Crossroads,* in*Humboldt Journal of Social*

*Relations*, Nos. 1 and 2,Winter 1996, 209-15.

\_\_\_\_\_, of David K. Leonard, *African Successes: Four Public Managers of Kenyan Rural Development* (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1991),in *Journal of Developing Societies*, Vol. VIII, 1992, 267-68.

\_\_\_\_\_, of Elaine Unterhalter, et. al., *Apartheid Education and Popular Struggles*, (London: Zed Press, 1991), in *International Journal of African Historical Studies*, Vol. 25, No. 3, 202-04.

Johnson, Vernon D. and Earl Smith, of Pearl T. Robinson and Elliot Skinner, editors,

*Transformation and Resiliency in Africa*, (Washington, D.C.: Howard University

Press,1985), in *International Journal of African Historical Studies*, Vol. 19, No. 2,

1986, 361-66.

Forthcoming

Johnson, Vernon D., of George Hamandishe Karekwaivanane, The Struggle over State Power in

Zimbabwe: Law and Politics since 1950, Cambridge, United Kingdom: Cambridge University Press, 2017, for *International Journal of African Historical Studies*

**Opinion Editorals**

Johnson, Vernon D., “Healing Must Start with Action,” *Seattle Times*, July 17, 2016.

<http://www.seattletimes.com/opinion/healing-must-start-with-action/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=article_title_1.1>

\_\_\_\_\_, “Race, Racism are Realities with Very Real Consequences,” *Bellinhgam Herald*, June 24, 2015.

<http://www.bellinghamherald.com/opinion/article25440340.html#storylink=cpy>

\_\_\_\_\_., “He’s Charismatic, He’s Smart, and Yes, He’s Black,” *Seattle Times*, March

25, 2008.

,"Global Agenda Shifts in a New Era," *Seattle Post-Intelligencer,* September 3, 2004.

# \_\_\_\_\_, (with Lisa Fox), "Senator Lott Could Lead Way Toward Racial

# Reconciliation," *Lynden Tribune and Ferndale Record Journal,* December 31, 2002.

\_\_\_\_\_, "Both Parties Reluctant to Address Racial Divide," *Seattle Times,*

December 26, 2002.

\_\_\_\_\_\_, "Keep (Jefferson) Davis Memorial off the Road," *Bellingham Herald,* June 15, 2002.

# \_\_\_\_\_, "White Supremacy in the United States," *Searchlight* (Great Britain*)*,

# May 1999, 6.

\_\_\_\_\_, “Militia Movement Casts Spotlight on Hazards of Good Citizens’ Silence,” *Seattle Post-*

*Intelligencer*, August 6, 1996.

\_\_\_\_\_, “Not in Our Town Either,” *Bellingham Herald,* December 15, 1995.

\_\_\_\_\_, "Racial Strife a National Security Issue," *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, November 10,

1995, p. 19.

, "Whatcom County Council Should Have Endorsed Effort to

Combat Hate Crimes," *Bellingham Herald*, November 7, 1994.

, "Not Time to Reinvest in South Africa," *Bellingham Herald*, April 27, 1993.

, "To Pat Buchanan: For a Multiracial America," *The Acceptable Year*, August 15, 1990, 1-2.

, "Jesse Jackson's Candidacy is a Good Idea," *Spokane Spokesman Review*, December 4,

1983, A21.

**Conference Papers**

Johnson, Vernon D., and Benslimane, Kelsie, “Practical Representation and the Multiracial

Social Movement,” *Pacific Northwest Political Science Association*, Portland,

Oregon, November 11, 2016

Johnson, Vernon D., “Coloured South Africans and African Americans: Cultural Similarities

versus Political Differences in Post-Settler Colonial Societies,” delivered *at Fourth International Toyin Falola Conference*, Durban , South Africa, July 3, 2014

Johnson, Vernon D., and Lorgen-Knapp, Kirsten, “NGO-Government Interactions in South Africa: The

Possibility of Cross-Sector Cooperation,” *African Studies Conference*, University of Texas,

Austin, March 29-31, 2013

Johnson, Vernon D., “South African Coloureds and Indians: Two Kinds of Middleman Minorities,”

*Western Political Science Association*, San Antonio Texas, April 21, 2011.

Johnson, Vernon D., and Dickinson, Eliot, “International Norms and the end of Apartheid in South

Africa,” *Pacific Northwest Political Science Association*, Spokane Washington, October 15,

2010.

Johnson, Vernon D., “Coloured South Africans as a Middleman Monority,” *Western Political Science*

*Association*, Vancouver, British Columbia, March 2009.

\_\_\_\_\_, “Is the Concept of Revolution Relevant After the Cold War: The Case of

Zimbabwe, *Pacific Northwest Political Science Association*, Spokane Washington, October 19

2007.

Johnson, Vernon D., and Krista Martinez, “Culture and State Security in Canada,” *Pacific Northwest*

*Political Science Association*, Bend Oregon, October 18, 2006.

Panel Chair, Racial Contestation in the World –System, and paper presenter, “Racial Contestation in the

Post-British Settler Colonial World,” *The National Conference of Black Political Scientists,*

Atlanta Georgia, March 23, 2006.

Johnson, Vernon D. (with Tiffany Udman), “Post-Colonial Revolution in Africa: The Case

of Uganda,” delivered at annual meeting of the National Conference of Black

Political Scientists, Chicago Illinois, March 25-28, 2004.

\_\_\_\_\_, (with Kenneth R. Hoover), “Identity-Driven Violence: Reclaiming Civil Society,” delivered at the *First Annual Conference on Hate Studies*, Gonzaga University, Spokane Washington, March 18-20, 2004.

\_\_\_\_\_, (with Randall Walker), “Colonial Transfer Revolution in Namibia,”

delivered at annual meeting of the Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, Vancouver, British Columbia, October 16-18, 2003.

\_\_\_\_\_, “Practical Representation and the Multiracial Social Movement,” paper delivered at *Communicating Across Cultures: The Ethics of Representation*, international conference sponsored by Dr. Valerie Alia, the Distinguished Professor in Canadian Culture, Center for Canadian-American Studies, with funding from the National Science Foundation, June 22, 1998.

\_\_\_\_\_, (with Elizabeth Frombgen), “Culture and National Security in the United

States and Canada,” paper delivered at the Pacific Northwest Political Science Con-

ference, November 7-9, 1996.

\_\_\_\_\_,"Racial Formation in Zimbabwe," paper delivered at the Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Atlanta, Georgia, November 2, 1989.

\_\_\_\_\_, "Ethnicity and Revolutionary State Formation in Sub-Saharan Africa," paper delivered at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, California, March 9-12, 1988.

\_\_\_\_\_, "An Inquiry into the Causes of Revolution in Africa: The Cases of Ethiopia and Zimbabwe," paper delivered at the annual meeting of the African Studies Association, Denver, Colorado, November 19-22, 1987.

\_\_\_\_\_, (with Earl Smith)"The Politics of the Seattle, Washington School District," paper delivered at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Anaheim, California, March 26-28, 1987.

\_\_\_\_\_,"Afro-Americans and United States Foreign Policy," paper delivered at the National Council for Black Studies, Northwest Regional Conference, Portland, Oregon, February 6-8, 1986.

\_\_\_\_\_, "Black Political Education for the 1984 Elections," paper delivered at the National Council for Black Studies, Northwest Regional Conference, Cheney, Washington, February 2-4, 1984.

**GRANTS RECEIVED**

Summer Research Grant, Western Washington University, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs,

“Coloured Identity in South Africa,” 2008, $5,000.

Min-Grant, Western Washington University, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, “Coloured Identity in South Africa,” 2007, $870.

Travel Grant, Western Washington University, Diversity Fund, “Post-Revolutionary Politics in

South Africa,” 1998, $3,500.

Summer Research Grant, Western Washington University, Bureau of Faculty Research, "Race and Revolution in Zimbabwe and Mozambique," 1990, $3,500.

Summer Research Grant, Western Washington University, Bureau of Faculty Research, "Race and Public Policy in Zimbabwe," 1989, $3,500.

**CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

Panel Chair and Discussant,“Managing Ethnic Conflict,” annual meeting of *Asian Studies on the*

*Pacific Coast (ASPAC)*, Western Washington University, Bellingham Washington, June

22, 2014

Panel Chair and Discussant, “Democracy” panel, *Fourth International Toyin Falola Conference*,

Durban South Africa, July 4, 2014.

Moderator for Roundtable Discussion on “The Aftermath of the Aryan Nation: Fighting the Far Right in the 21st Century, for annual meeting of the *Pacific Northwest Political Science Association*, Couer D’Alene Idaho, October13-15, 2005.

Moderator for Roundtable Discussion, “The Domestic Face of Human Rights: Community Organizing in

The Pacific Northwest,” at annual meeting of the Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, Portland Oregon, November 10, 2000.

“Race and Identity in South Africa,” in Roundtable Discussion on “Culture and Identity in

World Politics,” at Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, Eugene Oregon,

October 22, 1999.

Moderator for Roundtable Discussion on “Facing the Fear: The Human Rights Movement in

the Pacific Northwest,” at the annual meeting of the Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, Couer D’Alene Idaho, October 16-18, 1997.

Moderator and Discussant for panel on "Reform and Revolution in Africa and the Diaspora,"

annual Meeting of the Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, Portland, Oregon, October 13-15, 1994.

Moderator and Discussant for panel on "The State and Civil Society in the Semi-Periphery and

Periphery of the World System," at the annual meeting of the Association of Third

World Studies, Tacoma Washington, October 7-9, 1993.

Moderator for Roundtable Discussion on "The Ethics of Reinvestment in South Africa when

Apartheid has not Ended," at the annual meeting of the African Studies Association,

Seattle, WA, November 20-23, 1992.

Discussant for panel on "Democratic Socialism," at annual meeting of Western Political Science Association, Seattle, WA, March 21-23, 1991.

Discussant for panel on "Strategies of Marxist Development in the Third World," panel at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Eugene, OR, March 2-22, 1986.

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editor-in-Chief, *African Journal of Governance and Development*, Saint Thomas University, Maputo

Mozambique, 2011-18

External reviewer, application for full professor, Dr. Betty Mubangizi, College of Law and

Management Studies, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg South Africa, June 27, 2014

Editorial Board, *Journal of the National Association of Ethnic Studies,* 2010-13

President, and Program Chair, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, 2007-08

President-Elect, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, 2006-07

Advisory Committee, Institute for Action Against Hate, Gonzaga University, 2004-07

Editorial Board, *Journal of Hate Studies,* 2004-08

Manuscript Reviewer, *Journal of the National Association of Ethnic Studies,* 2004-13

Manuscript reviewer, *Journal of Economic and Social Policy* (Australia), 2013

Organizer, Race in American Politics section, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association.

Couer D’Alene Idaho, October 13-15, 2005

Board of Directors, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, 1997-2000.

Organizer, Comparative Politics section, Pacific Northwest Political Science Meetings, Eugene

Oregon, October 21-23, 1999.

National Security Education Program, Undergraduate Language Study Abroad Program, Selection

Committee for West Coast Region, 1994-96.

Manuscript Reviewer, *African Studies Review*, 1990-93.

Chair, Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession, Western Political Science Association,

1987-89, 1990-91.

Nominating Committee, Western Political Science Association, 1989-90.

**Organization Memberships**

National Conference of Black Political Scientists

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association

**UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Director, *Ralph Munro Institute of Civic Education*, 2015-present

Co-faculty, “Teaching Big History,” University Honors Program, 2016-present

Trainer, “What’s Up with White People,” Human Resources Department, Western Washington

University, February 11, April 21, October 25 2016

Reviewer, Huxley College External Review, Western Washington University, October 22-24, 2017

External reviewer, application for full professor, Dr. Nicholas Zaferatos, Huxley College of the

Environment, Western Washington University, December 10, 2014

**University Committees**

“Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Task Force,” 2014-16

“One World Strategic Team,” Committee on Internationalizing the University Curriculum, 2012-14

Karen W. Morse Institute for Leadership, Advisory Committee, 2011-15

United Faculty of Western Washington, Departmental Steward, 2006-15

Minority Employees Council, board member, 2011-15

Senate Ad-Hoc Committee on Faculty Diversity, 2007

Fairhaven College Dean Search Committee, 2002

Kaleidoscope, committee to investigate campus climate regarding issues of diversity, 1999-2001

University Honors Board, 1997-2000

Summerstart, Freshman Orientation Advisor, 1992-96, 1999-2000

Tenure and Promotion Comittee, College of Arts and Sciences, 1996-98

Academic Coordinating Commission, 1993-95

Third World Studies Committee, 1987-93

Graduate Minority Fellowship Committee, 1989-93

Affirmative Action Advisory Committee, 1988-90

Departmental Service

Chair, African American Politics Search Committee, 2017-18

Advisor, Political Science Master’s Program, 2000-09

Honors Advisor, 2002-05

Personnel Commttee, 2002-12

Political Science Chair Search Committee, 2001

Political Science Student Conference Committee, 1993-present

Advisor, Political Science Association (Student Club), 1987-2000, 2004-18

**Colloquia**

Panelist, “Race and Criminal Justice,” *Munro Seminar for Civic Education*, October 27, 2015

Presentation before WWU Board of Trustees, “The Role of Nongovernmental Organizations in

Community Development,” student panel, October 11, 2013

“The Question of Revolution in the Twenty-first Century: The Case of Zimbabwe,” *Programme for Land and Agrarian Studies*, University of the Western Cape, Cape Town, South Africa, June 1, 2007

“Populist Nationalism in the United States, *Political Studies Forum,* University of the Witswatersrand,

Johannesburg, South Africa, May 23, 2007.

Panelist, “Human Rights in Whatcom County: A Town Meeting to Discuss the Climate of our

Community,’Woodring College of Education, April 20, 2005.

" Racism and the Global Political Economy," International Studies Department, University of

Latin America, Morelia, Mexico, March 10, 2003.

"The Structural Origins of Anticolonial Revolutions in Africa," International Studies Department,

University of Latin America, Morelia, Mexico, March 4, 2003.

“Diversity and Demographics,” lecture given for the *Ralph Munro Seminar*, Western Washington

University, July 12, 2001.

“Relations between China and Tibet,”Roundtable of East Asian Studies Colloqium, May 18

2000.

“Martin Luther King’s Dream for the Twenty-first Century, Martin Luther King Day

Celebration, Western Washington University, January 16, 1999.

“Social Movements for Racial Justice,” Social Movements Lecture Series, Fairhaven College,

Western Washington University, January 6, 1999.

“Reflections and Reactions on Cornel West,” Western Washington University, October 8,

1998.

“Race and Politics,” *Taft Seminar for Teachers,* Western Washington University, July 9, 1998.

"Post-Revolutionary Africa and the Issue of Political Community," Sigma Xi Lecture, Western

Washington University, April 27, 1995.

"Teaching Social Sciences in a Multicultural Environment," Inauguration of President Karen

Morse, September 19, 1994.

"Race and American Politics," *Taft Seminar for Teachers*, Western Washington

University, July 2, 1993.

"Civil Society" Perspectives from Political Science," with Kenneth Hoover and Kristen Parris, *Social Science Roundtable*, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, January 25, 1993.

Race and the 1992 Elections," lecture given for the *Taft Seminar for Teachers*, Western Washington University, July 10, 1992.

"The Politics of Race in the Liberal World Polity," lecture delivered for *BFR/Sigma Xi Research Presentations*, February 13, 1992.

"African-Americans and Voting," lecture delivered for he *Taft Seminar for Teachers*, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, July 10, 1991.

The Issue of Race and the New World Order," lecture delivered at the *The Crisis in the Gulf*, University Extended Programs, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, March 6, 1991.

"The Two Faces of Revolution in Africa," lecture delivered at the *Social Science Roundtable*, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, November 19,1990.

"Race and Revolution in Zimbabwe," lecture delivered for *BFR/Sigma Xi Research Presentations*, February 1, 1990.

"Revolution and Political Development in the Third World," lecture delivered for *Anthropology Colloquium*, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, November 30, 1988.

"Racial Minorities and the Two Party System," lecture delivered for *Taft Institute for Teachers*, Western

Washington University, Bellingham, Washington, July 20, 1988.

"Black Politics," panelist, *Taft Institute for Teachers*, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, July 15, 1987.

Presentations and Services to Student Groups

Keynote Speaker, “Nelson Mandela: The Heart of the Flame,” Annual Heritage Dinner of WWU

Afro-Caribbean Club, Viking Union Multipurpose Room, May 10, 2014

Moderator, “Legal Panel on Trayvon Martin Case and the Florida Stand Your Ground Law,”

*Law, Diversity and Social Justice Program,* Faiarhaven College, April 24, 2012

Panelist, “Campus Conversations,” *Admissions Office,* Program to recruit high-achieving students

from out-of-state, July 18, 2011

Panelist, “Civic Education in Challenging Economic Times, *Ralph Munro Institute for Civic Education*,

July 11, 2011

Organizer, “Service –Learning in South Africa,” *Scholar’s Week* , May 17, 2011

Discussant, Washington Secreatry of State Sam Reed, “Diversity and Inclusiveness in the Civic Process,”

*Political Science Association*, April 12, 2011

Panelist, ‘Leadership in Africa,” *Center for Service-Learning*, November 16, 2010

Panelist, “State of Activism Today,” *50 Years of Student Activism Conference*, November 3, 2010

“Symbols of Hate: Residence Hall Discussion of Display of the Confederate Flag in a Window,”

Birnam Wood Community Building, Western Washington Ubiversity, January 31, 2008

Panelist, “In Light of the Jena 6: A Call for Acountability,” *Black Student Union*, Western Washington

University, November 28, 2007

Trainer, Social and Civic Activism Workshop, *Ethnic Student Center Conference,* Camp Casey

Washington, November 3, 2007

Panelist, “Rights on the Line: Vigilantes at the Border,” *Social Issues Resources Center,* WWU, November 16, 2005

“A Chance for a Change,,’ *Center for Service-Learning,* Social Change Community Service Fair, October 2004

“America’s Role in the World ,” *Let’s Talk Open Forum Series, Western Debate Union,* October 6 2004

African Americans, Africa and the New Social Movements” delivered for the

*Black History Month Lecture Series*, Black Student Union, WWU, February 24, 2004

“Connections between African Americans, Afro-Caribbeans and Africa” delivered for *African and*

*Caribbean Cultural Night*, WWU, February 21, 2004

“We’re a Multicultural Society Already,”Closing Address for Empowering Students of Color

in Higher EducationConference, Western Washington University, March 10, 2001.

"Political Instability and Hunger in Somalia," lecture given at the *Hunger Banquet*, Western Washington

University, January 20, 1993.

"Jim Crow, Civil Rights and Black Power: Black Intellectuals Since Reconstruction,"

lecture given for *African-American Artists: 1880-1987*, exhibit at the

Western Washington University Gallery, October 28, 1992.

"Understanding the Conflict in South Africa," lecture delivered for *Parent's Open House*, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, October 27, 1990.

"American Politics," lecture delivered for *Asia University America Program*, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, July 22, 1988.

"The Zimbabwe Elections: Implications for Southern Africa," presentation delivered for *Awareness Week*, Washington State University, Pullman, WA, April 24, 1980.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

# **Organizations**

##### Board of Directors, *Bellingham Public Library*, 2018-present

Board of Directors, *Whatcom Human Rights Task Force*, 1997-2003, 2017-present

##### Board of Directors, *Slum Doctors Programme* (African Development NGO), Bellingham Washington,

##### 2010-11

##### Board of Directors, *Bellingham City Club*, 2008-11

##### Advisory Board*, Institute for the Study of Hate*, Gonzaga University, 2004-2006

Chair, Education Committee, *Whatcom Human Rights Task Force*, 2003-06

##### President, *Northwest Coalition for Human Dignity: A National Institute for Equal Justice*, 2000-03

Board member, *Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment*, 1997-99

Chair of Board, *Whatcom Human Rights Task Force*, 1997-2000

Strategic Planning Committee, *Bellingham Washington School District*, 1998

###### Trainings and Seminars

**University**

Trainer, “What’s Up with White People,” Human Resources Department, Western Washington

University, February 11, April 21, October 25, 2016; January 25, 2017

**Community**

Co-facilitator, with Julie Mauermann, “Implicit Bias,” *RESources for Sustainable Commmunites*, Board

of Directors, Bellingham, Washington, February 19, 2019

Trainer, “Unpacking Institutional Racism,”*Sendan Psychiatry and Psychotherapy*, Bellingham,

Washington, May 12, 2017

Trainer, “Unpacking Institutional Racism, *Whatcom Community Foundation*, Board of Directors,

Bellingham, Washington, May 5, 2017

Trainer, “Seeing Race in Institutional Settings,” *RESources for Sustainable Commmunites*,

Board of Directors, Bellingham, Washington, April 17, 2017

Co-facilitator, with Troy Abel, Huxley College, “Environmental Justice Workshop,” *RESources*

*for Sustainable Commmunites*, Staff, Bellingham, Washington, April 11, 2017

Facilitator, “Community Organizing for the Obama Presidency,” Workshop for *Martin Luther*

*King Jr. Human Rights Conference,* Whatcom Human Rights Task Force, Bellingham

Washington, January 17, 2009

Participant, “Fighting the Right with Human Rights,” Strategy Retreat of *National Center for Human*

*Rights Education*, Spokane, Washington October 25-26, 2001.

Facilitator, *Bridging the Past to the Future,* Race-Relations mediation with the staff of Northwest

Indian College, Lummi Nation, September 12, 2001.

Trainer, “Unpacking White Privilege,” *Martin Luther King,Jr, Conference*, Bellingham Washington,

January 13, 2001.

Trainer, “Unpacking White Privilege,” *Ferndale Diversity Coalition*, Ferndale Washington, July 26, 2000.

Facilitator, seminar on the mainstreaming of far right ideology in American politics, *Northwest Coalition*

*Against Malicious Harassment*. The Palisades, Federal Way Washington, May 24, 1999.

Trainer, “How To Be An Ally To People Of Color,” *Multicultural Conference of US West Corporation,*

Marriot Hotel, SeaTac Washington, May 15, 1999.

Moderator, “Millenial Madness: Violence, Bigotry and the Year 2000,” Fourth Annual Symposium of the

*The Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment*, Eugene Oregon, October 16, 1998.

Presenter, “Religion and the Construction of Contemporary European American Nationalism,” Third

Annual Symposium, *Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment*, Colorado Springs,

Colorado, September 26, 1997.

**Lectures and Panel Presentations**

Panelist, “Think and Drink: The Long March – Measuring Black American Progress Since 1968,

*Humanities Washington*, Bellingham, Washington, March 21, 2018

Speaker, 50th Anniversary of Martin Luther King’s “Beyond Vietnam” speech. *Veterans for*

*Peace,* Bellingham YWCA, April 4, 2017

Panelist, “The Dream Tacoma: 51 Years after the March,” *City Club of Tacoma,* June 3, 2015

“Mid-Century Dream to Today’s Reality: All the Ways that Race Still Matters,” *Injustice and*

*Intolerance Lecture Series*, Bellingham Public Library, April 15, 2015

Moderator, “Examining Race, Civic Engagement, and Citizenship Post-Ferguson: Where Do We

Go from Here?” *Ralph Munro Institute for Civic Engagement*, Bellingham Washington,

March 4, 2015

Panelist, “Has the ‘Dream’ Been Fulfilled: What are the Prospects of Racial Justice 51 Years

After the March on March on Washington?” *Bellingham City Club*, January 28, 2015

Moderator, “Social Security: Preserve it. Protect it. Pass it on,” community forum on the future

of Social Security, Co-Sponsors: Social Security Works Washington, Economic Opportunity Institute, *National Organization for Women, Puget Sound Advocates for Retirement Action*, Syre Center, Whatcom Community College, June 5, 2014

Panelist, “Lack of Diversity in Whatcom County,” *Young Democrats of Washington* Annual Conference, Lakeway Best Western Hotel, Bellingham Washington, April 5, 2014

Guest Lecturer, “Social Justice Class,” Northwest Indian College, Greg Mahle, Instructor,

November 26, 2013

Community Witness, “ Peoples Hearing,” testimony of migrant community members regarding policies

of Immigration Control and Enforcement, the Border Patrol and the Whatcom County Sheriff’s

Department, *One America,* January 18, 2012

Inaugural Address, *African Journal of Governance and Development,* “Revolution, Governance and

Development, “ Maputo, Mozambique, November 24, 2011

Responsive Reader, “September 11 Remembrance Ceremony, Bellingham City Hall Flag Plaza,

September 11, 2011

Lecture, “Racism in Whatcom County,” *Just Faith Ministries*, Sacred Heart Catholic Church,

Bellingham Washington, November 15, 2007

Guest Sermon, “The United States is Finished as the Dominant World Power,” *Blaine Unitarian Fellowship,* February 4, 2007

Keynote Speaker, *9th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Conference,*” The Role of Youth in the Social

Justice Movement in the 21st Century, Bellingham Washington, January 13, 2007

Panelist, “Defending Democracy, Strengthening Communities for Justice,” Community Hearing to

counter the biased House Immigration Hearings, sponsored by *Hate-Free Zone,* and

*Community to Community,* August 16, 2006

Assembly Speaker, “Immigration Bill Being Debated before the Congress,” Nooksack Valley

High School, Aprl 6, 2006

Panelist, “Nationalism versus Internationalism: Competing Terrains of Loyalty in a Changing World,”

*8th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Conference*, Whatcom Huuman Rights Task Force, January 14, 2006

Assembly Speaker, “How Youth Can Make a Difference,” Martin Luther King Day, Vista Middle

School, Ferndale Washington, January 12, 2006

“The Climate for Human Rights in Whatcom County,” lecture delivered to *Leadership Whatcom,*

Northwest Indian College, October 21, 2005.

“Three Scenarios for America in the Twenty-first Century,” keynote address delivered to *Washington Education Association Minority Affairs/Human Rights Symposium*, Federal Way, Washington, March 5, 2005

The Niagara Movement, W.E.B. Dubois and the Founding of the NAACP,” *US Customs Service African*

*American History Month Program,* February 16, 2005

Panelist, Human Rights and the Ecological Perspective,” *Town Hall Meeting at the Bellingham Unitarian*

*Fellowship,* February 7, 2005

“Building an Ethnic of Community Service, *Washington Campus Compact Annual Retreat,* Semi-a-mooh

Resort, Washington, January 6, 2005

“Academic Perspectives on Why People Commit Hate Crimes,’ Testimony before the *Washington State*

*Commission on Human Rights*, Bellingham Washington, April 29, 2004

“The History of US Involvement in International Organizations,” on panel on *The Role of the United*

*States in International Organizations*, Co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters and the

American Association of University Women, Bellingham Washington, April 17, 2004

“Human Rights Issues in Contemporary Nigeria,” *Great Decisions*, study group

at the First Congregational Church, Bellingham Washington December 9, 2003

Reading with Bill Lyne, English Department, Western Wasington University, from our anthology,

*Walkin' the Talk,* Village Books, Bellingham Washington, October 30, 2002.

“Equality Issues from a Cross-Cultural Perspective,” *Every Minute Counts (gathering in support of*

*Krystal Bennett, Lesbian Prom King of Ferndale High School),* Bellingham Washington,

June 9, 2001.

“The Necessity for Sustained Engagement in Contemporary Social Problems,” Keynote Address

for *Student Social Issues Symposium,* Skagit Valley College, Mount Vernon Washing-

ton, May 30, 2001.

“Human Rights Are Not Just Civil Rights: The Work of the Whatcom Human Rights Task

Force in 2001, *Bellingham City Club*, February 28, 2001.

“AIDS in Africa,”*World AIDS Day*, Unitarian Fellowship, Bellingham Washington,

December 1, 1999.

“Kwanzaa: an African American Holiday Tradition,” *Everett Community College*, Everett

Washington, December 1, 1999.

“Racial Dimensions of the Prison-Industrial Complex,” at annual conference of the *Northwest*

*Coalition against Malicious Harassment*, Missoula Montana, October 29, 1999.

“Race and Politics,” for *Taft Seminar for Teachers*, Western Washington University, July 12, 1999.

“The Evolution of Civil Rights in the Twenty-first Century,’ speech delivered at Seattle University,

February 14, 1999.

“American Cultural Identity and Racial Justice,” keynote address delivered *Western*

*Progressive Leadership Network*, South Lake Tahoe, Nevada, December 4, 1998.

“Race, Culture and Community,” speech delivered to the *Bellingham City Club*, , Washington,Wednesday, February 28, 1996.

"The Transition to Democracy in the New World Order," speech given before the *American*

*Association of University Women*, Bellingham Washington, October 9, 1993.

"We Are All Children of Martin," speech given at *Martin Luther King Day*, City Hall, Bellingham,

Washington, January 18, 1993.

""Civil Rights Issues for the Coming Elections," guest on *The Western Experience*, with Sheila Edwards, Cable Channel 10, Bellingham, WA, January 30, 1992.

"The Martin Luther King Holiday," guest on *Impact*, with Hanes Fay, KGMI Radio,

Bellingham, WA, January 20, 1992.

"The Africa Prize for Leadership for the Sustainable End of Hunger," co-host, 1991 award

announcement, Skagit Valley College, Mt. Vernon, WA, July 18,

1991.

"Racism as a Human Rights Issue, lecture delivered for *Martin Luther King Human Rights Week,* Everett

Community College, Everett, WA, January 18, 1990.

"The United States, Africa and International Relations," lecture and discussion for A Levels Class,

*Gokomere Mission School*, Zimbabwe, September 18, 1989.

"Race Relations in the United States and Zimbabwe," guest on *People in Progress*, with Daniel MacKenzie, Radio One, Harare, Zimbabwe, September 10, 1989.

"The Significance of Martin Luther King's Legacy," guest on *Impact*, with Haines Fay, KGMI Radio 790, Bellingham, Washington, January 22, 1988.

"Contemporary Problems of U.S. Foreign Policy Toward Africa and the Third World," lecture presented for the *International Forum*, Reed College, Portland, OR, May 7, 1986.

"The State of the Black Community: 1984", panelist, *KHQ Television*, Channel 6, Spokane,WA, February 26, 1984.

"Black Politics: 1984," guest on *On the Record*, KHQ Radio, 590 AM, Spokane, WA, February 19, 1984.

"The Bakke Decision" panelist, *Afro-American Perspectives*, KWSU Television Channel 10, Pullman, WA, October 1978.

Interviews

“The Controversy Surrounding the Statements of Barack Obama’s Minister,” interview with Joe Tehan,

*P.M. Bellingham*, KGMI Radio, 790 A.M., Bellingham Washington, March 26, 2008

“Black History Month in the Context of Barack Obama’s Campaign,” interview with Ty Ray, *Northwest*

*Notebook,* KVOS Television, Channel 12, Bellingham Washington, March 7, 2008

“Seven Days of Kwanzaa,” interview with Kie Relyea, *Bellingham Herald*, p. C1, December 20, 2003

“Kwanzaa Celebrates Culture, Self-Determination,” interview with Amy Kepferle, *The Every Other*

*Weekly,* December 11-24, 1997, p. 13.

Other Community Service

"South Africa's International Trade," research project conducted for the Washington Statewide Network Against Apartheid, August. 1986.

Consultant, *American* *Friends Service Committee*, Pacific Northwest Region, 1985-86. Community outreach, fund raising and volunteer recruitment for a program to seek out alternatives to suspension and expulsion of low income students from Seattle Public Schools.

Seattle School District, *Disproportionality Task Force*, 1985-86. Member of committee doing research and holding public hearings on the problems of low academic achievement and high suspension and expulsion rates among minority students in Seattle Public Schools.

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

Academic

“Phillip Sharp Community Service Award, *Western Washington University*, September, 2015

“Who’s Who Among Teachers in America,” 1998, 2005

“Diversity Achievement Award,” Western Washington University, 1996-97.

Honorable Mention, *National Council for Black Studies*, Paper Contest, "The Ideology of Ujamaa: Socialism or Capitalism?" March, 1984.

Community

“Certificate of Appreciation,” *Whatcom Human Rights Task Force, Whatcom Peace and Justice*

*Center,*Human Rights Day, Defember 10, 2012

Annual Peace Builder Award (field of education), *Whatcom Dispute Resolution Center*, Bellingham

Washington, November 10, 2007

Name inscribed on the “Wall of Tolerance,” by the Campaign for Tolerance,

A program of the *Southern Poverty Law Center,* Montgomery Alabama, November 5, 2003

Annual Eddy Award, for Community Service, *Washington Education Association*, Spokane,

Washington, May 6, 2003

Guardian of the West, “Honor Day,” sponsored by the *Indigenous Studies Foundation*, an orga-

nization founded to create a national Native American holiday, August 20, 2001

“Make a Difference Day”Award, *Bellingham Herald*, October 23, 1999.

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