

Curriculum Vitae

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Personal Information

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Education: BA, Drake University (1977)
MA, University of Iowa (1978)
Ph.D., University of Iowa (1983)

Dissertation: "An Examination of Voter Turnout for the 1978 Congressional Elections" under the supervision of Samuel C. Patterson

Academic Experience

University of California, Los Angeles, Dean, School of Public Affairs, 2008– present.

University of California, Los Angeles, Associate Vice Chancellor, Community Partnerships, Founding Director, Center for Community Partnerships, 2002– 2008

University of California, Los Angeles, Professor, Department of Political Science, 1996– present.

University of California, Los Angeles, Founding Director, Center for Communications and Community, 1999– present.

Brandeis University, Heller School, Visiting Scholar (not in residence), 2001- 2004.

University of California, Los Angeles, Associate Director, Center for the Study of American Politics and Public Policy, 1993- 1998.

University of Dar Es-Salaam, Tanzania, Department of Political Science, Visiting Professor, 1997.

State of California, California, Commission on the Status of African-American Males, Research Director, 1993- 1996.

University of California, Los Angeles, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, 1991-1995.

University of California, Los Angeles, Center for African-American Studies, Chair, BA and MA Programs, 1992.

University of California, Los Angeles, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 1986 to 1991.

University of Wisconsin, Madison, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Department of Afro-American Studies, Robert M. LaFollette Institute for Public Affairs, 1983-1986.

University of Wisconsin, Parkside, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 1982-1983.

Grinnell College, Visiting Lecturer, 1982.

Publications

Books

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. (2001) Farther to Go: Readings and Cases in African-American Politics. New York: Harcourt Brace.

Articles and Book Chapters

Vogelgesang, Lori, Franklin D. Gilliam, Jr., Kathy O'Byrne and Margaret Leal-Sotelo. (2006) "Envisioning a Public Research Agenda in Los Angeles," Metropolitan Universities Journal, 17, 3:56-73.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. and Shanto Iyengar (2005) "Super-Predators or Victims of Societal Neglect? Framing Effects in Juvenile Crime Coverage," pgs. 148-166 in Framing of American Politics. Karen Callaghan and Frauke Schnell (eds.) Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. (2004) "Reframing the National Dialogue: Learning from the Right" in Loud and Clear in an Election Year: Amplifying the Voices of Community Advocates. Holly Minch, Kim Haddow, and Laura Saponara (eds.) San Francisco, CA: Independent Media Institute.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. and Susan Nall Bales (2004) "Framing Early Childhood Development: Strategic Communications and Public Preferences," No. 7. In: Neal Halfon, Thomas Rice, and Moira Inkelas (eds.) Building State Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Series. Washington, D.C.: National Center for Infant and Early Childhood Health Policy.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. and Susan Nall Bales (2003) "Strategic Frame Analysis and Youth Development: How Communications Research Engages the Public," Handbook of Applied Developmental Science: Promoting Positive Child, Adolescent, and Family Development Through Research, Policies, and Programs. 1, 421-436. Richard M. Lerner, Francine Jacobs, and Donald Wertlieb (eds.). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Bales, Susan Nall and Gilliam, Jr., Franklin D. (2003) "Communications and the Social Good," in Practice Matters: The Improving Philanthropy Project. Copyright, The Foundation Center, www.fdncenter.org/for_grantmakers/.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr, Nicholas Valentino and Matthew Beckmann (2003) "Where You Live and What You Watch: The Impact of Racial Proximity and Local Television News on Attitudes About Race and Crime." Political Research Quarterly 55, 4:755-780.

Gilliam, Franklin D. Jr., and Susan Nall Bales (2001) "Strategic Frame Analysis: Reframing America's Youth." Social Policy Report 15, 3: 3-21.

Gilliam, Franklin D. Jr. and Shanto Iyengar (2000) "Prime Suspects: The Impact of Local Television News on the Viewing Public." American Journal of Political Science 44, 3: 560-573.

Gilliam, Franklin D. Jr. (1999): "The 'Welfare Queen' Experiment." Nieman Reports 53, 2: 49-53.

Gilliam, Franklin D. Jr and Shanto Iyengar (1998) "The Superpredator Script." Nieman Reports 52, 4: 45-49.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. and Karen Kaufmann (1998) "Is There an Empowerment Life-Cycle? Long-term Black Empowerment and Its Influence on Voter Participation." Urban Affairs Review 33, 6: 741-766.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. (1998) "Race and Crime in California," in Michael B. Preston, Bruce A. Cain, and Sandra Bass (eds.), Racial and Ethnic Politics in California. (Berkeley: Institute for Governmental Studies Press, University of California).

Whitby, Kenny J. and Franklin D. Gilliam, Jr. and (1998) "Line Drawing and Minorities," in Great Theatre: the American Congress in the 1990s: Herbert F. Weisberg and Samuel C. Patterson (eds.) (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press).

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr., Shanto Iyengar, Adam Simon, and Oliver Wright (1996) "Crime in Black and White: The Violent, Scary World of Local Television News," Harvard International Journal of Press/Politics, 1, 3: 6-23.

----- (1997) Reprinted in Do the Media Govern? Politicians, Voters, and Reporters in America. Shanto Iyengar and Richard Reeves (eds.) (Thousand Oaks: Sage) 287-295.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. (1996) "Exploring Minority Empowerment: Symbolic Politics, Governing Coalitions, and Traces of Political Style in Los Angeles." American Journal of Political Science, 40, 1: 56-81.

Whitby, Kenny J. and Franklin D. Gilliam, Jr. (1991) "A Longitudinal Analysis of Competing Explanations for the Transformation of Southern Politics," Journal of Politics. 53, 2:504-518.

Bobo, Lawrence D. and Franklin D. Gilliam, Jr. (1990) "Race Sociopolitical Participation, and Black Empowerment." American Political Science Review. 84, 2: 377-393.

----- (1993) Reprinted in Controversies in Voting Behavior. Richard G. Niemi and Herbert F. Weisberg (eds.) (Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly Press).

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr., (1989) "Race, Class and Attitudes Toward Social Welfare Spending: An Ethclass Interpretation." Social Science Quarterly 70:88-100.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. (1989) "The Politics of Cultural Diversity: Minority Status and the Distribution of Mass Political Attitudes in California," Proceedings of the Conference on Comparative Ethnicity: Ethnic Dilemmas in Comparative Perspective. (Los Angeles: Institute for Social Science Research).

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. (1986) "Black America: Divided by Class?" Public Opinion (February/March):53-57.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. (1985) "Influences on Voter Turnout in U.S. House Elections in Non-Presidential Years." Legislative Studies Quarterly 10, 3:339-351.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. and Andrew T. Cowart (1985) "Budgeting in A Newly Established Agency: The First Twenty Years of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission." Government and Policy 3:235-241.

Gilliam, Franklin D., Jr. (1985) "From the Mountain of Despair, A Stone of Hope," Margaret Bogue (ed.). Sound Studies in American History Madison: The Annenberg/CPB Project.

Review Articles

Perception and Prejudice: Race and Politics in the United States. (2000) edited by Jon Hurwitz and Mark Peffley, Public Opinion Quarterly, 64, 4:554.

The Tie That Binds. (2001) Andrea Y. Simpson, Urban Affairs Review, 36, 5: 737-739.

Behind the Mule. (1995) Michael Dawson, American Political Science Review, 89, 2:494-496.

The Scar of Race. (1995) Paul Sniderman and Thomas Piazza, Sociological Inquiry,

The Urban Underclass. (1993) Christopher Jencks and Paul E, Peterson (eds.), Public Opinion Quarterly, 57, 1:124-127.

In Progress

“Strategic Communications and Early Child Development: Talking the Brain Research” (with Susan Nall Bales)

“How Americans Talk about Race: Strategic Frame Analysis and the Public Discourse on Race in America” (with Shanto Iyengar and Susan Nall Bales)

“The African American Voter in the 2008 Presidential Election” (with Mark Sawyer and Kenny Whitby).

“How the Media Cover Genetics” (with Cindy Watts and Anne Doherty).

Reports and Popular Essays

“Telling the Science Story: An Exploration of Frame Effects on Public Understanding and Support For Early Child Development.” 2007. A FrameWorks Institute Research Report (Washington, D.C.: FrameWorks Institute)

“Why South LA Rebuilding Hasn’t Worked” Los Angeles Times. April 28, 2007.

“Scholarship Meets the Street: A Win-Win Scenario” July 2006. UCLA Magazine.

“The Architecture of a New Racial Discourse.” 2006. FrameWorks Message Memo (Washington, D.C.: FrameWorks Institute)

“Vivid Examples: What They Mean and Why You Should Be Careful Using Them,” Issue No. 33. 2006. FrameWorks E-zine. (Washington, D.C.: FrameWorks Institute.

“From the Self Making Person to Opportunity for All: Rethinking Our Thinking on Race.” 2005. FrameWorks Message Memo (Washington, D.C.: FrameWorks Institute)

“Blacks Will Decide Who Wins” Los Angeles Times, April 3, 2005 (with Mark Ridley-Thomas and Malina Abdullah)

“Pride and Shame at the School of a Black Hero” Los Angeles Times, May 22, 2004

“Right for the Wrong Reasons”. 2003. FrameWorks E-zine. (Washington, D.C.: FrameWorks Institute.

"Media Effects of Global News Frames". 2003. The Global Interdependence Initiative. (Washington, D.C.: FrameWorks Institute).

“The Imperiled Child: Local News Coverage of America’s Youth” 2001. Children Now. Oakland: Children Now.

“People Get Ready,” (2000) The Source: The Magazine of Hip-Hop Music, Culture, & Politics. 132: 242-244.

Reframing Youth Issues: Working Papers of the FrameWorks Institute and the Center for Communications and Community. September 2000 (Washington, D.C.: FrameWorks Institute) (edited with Susan Nall Bales).

“Widening the Racial Divide: Crime and Local Television News,” CAAS Report: UCLA Center for African American Studies 16, 1:27, 38, 2000 (with Shanto Iyengar)

Reframing Childcare: The Impact of Local Television News. (Washington, D.C.: Charles S. Benton Foundation) 1998.

African-American Males: The Struggle for Equality. (Sacramento: The California Commission on the Status of African-American Males) 1997.

Across the Wall: An Evaluation of the "Whose Side Are You On? Public Service Announcement Campaign. (Washington, D.C.: the Charles S. Benton Foundation) 1997.

"At The Crossroads: African-American Males in California," Resource Guide for Minority-Owned Businesses, April 1994.

"The Ethiopian Regional Elections: Perceptions of An American Observer" Ethiopian Review, January, 1993.

"How Big a Role for the Middleman: The NAACP," Los Angeles Times, July 10, 1990

"The Black Roots of Contemporary Rock" The Black Rock Coalition Working Paper Series, August 28, 1989.

Funded Extramural Proposals

"The Center for Communications and Community". The Annie E. Casey Foundation. 1/99-present, \$860,000.

"Strategic Frame Analysis and Youth Issues" W.T. Grant Foundation. 7/99 – 2001, \$440,000.

"Local News and Public Opinion Concerning Social Welfare" (with Shanto Iyengar), Rockefeller Foundation, 01/01/98 to 12/31/98, \$49,535

Planning Grant, The Center for Race, Communications, and Community, The Annie E. Casey Foundation, Grant No. 98-9930, 5/1/98 to 12/31/98, \$65,000

"The Impact of Television News on Perceptions of Youth-Related Issues" (with Shanto Iyengar), Ford Foundation, Grant No. 975-0421, 11/01/96 to 10/31/97, \$75,000

"Race, Violence, and Television News: Why Americans Are Getting Tough on Crime" (with Shanto Iyengar), National Science Foundation, Grant No. SBR-9511100, \$111,826. 1995-1996.

"Graduate Traineeship Program in Minority Politics" (with Joel Aberbach) National Science Foundation, Grant no. SBR-9256184, 1993-1998, \$530,000

"A Study of Black Political Participation," (with Lawrence Bobo) National Science Foundation, Grant no. SES 86-18001, 1986-1987. \$201,000

Conference Papers

"Social Cognition and the Relevance of Candidate Cues" paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Western Political Science Association Meetings, Las Vegas, NV March 15-17, 2001 (with Kenny Whitby and Seth Masket).

“Social Cognition and the Relevance of Candidate Cues in Congressional Elections,” paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C. August 31 – September 3 2000. (with Kenny Whitby).

“You’ve Got Mail” paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Western Political Science Association, San Jose, CA March 21-23, 2000 (with Seth Masket).

“The Impact of Direct Mail on Political Attitudes and Participation,” (with Seth Masket), Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 24-27, 2000.

Who You Know and What You Watch: The Impact of Racial Proximity and Local Television News on Race and Crime Attitudes” (with Nicholas Valentino and Matthew Beckman) American Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia, September 3-5, 1999.

“How Local Television News Influences Attitudes about Crime and Race: Evidence from the Los Angeles Media Market,” (with Christopher Tarman) International Society of Political Psychologists, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, July 25-29, 1999

“The Hero Deputy Experiment: The Role of Valence in Local Television News Crime Coverage”. Western Political Science Association, Seattle, Washington, March 26, 1999.

“The Corrosive Influence of Television Crime Coverage on Racial Attitudes” (with Shanto Iyengar) American Educators in Journalism and Mass Communications, Baltimore, Maryland, August, 7, 1998.

“Prime Suspects: Script-Based Reasoning About Race and Crime” (with Shanto Iyengar) Western Political Science Association, Tucson, Arizona, March 27, 1997.

“Is there an Empowerment Life-Cycle? Long-Term Black Empowerment and Its Impact on Voter Participation,” (with Karen Kaufmann). Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, March 14-16, 1996.

“Can Media Cues Change Thinking About Race: An Experimental Study of Television Crime News Coverage (with Adam Simon), American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 29, 1996.

“Violence and Race in Television News Coverage of Crime: Does it Matter?” Benton Foundation Conference on Media and Society, Brandeis University, September, 1995.

"Exploring Minority Empowerment: Symbolic Politics, Governing Coalitions, and Traces of Political Style in Los Angeles" paper delivered at the Conference on The African-American Community and the Politics of Urban Crisis, Center for Social Theory and Comparative History, UCLA, Los Angeles, California, May 23, 1994.

"Black Municipal Empowerment and Active Representation," (with Bruce Wallin) paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Atlanta, Georgia, March 15-18, 1990.

"Changing Times and Changing Attitudes Among Southern Members of Congress," (with Kenny Whitby), paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 13-15, 1989.

"Minority Status Quo and Group Differences in Mass Attitudes," paper prepared for presentation at the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, April 16-19, 1989.

"Toward a Theory of Racial Differences in Mass Attitudes," paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, California, March 9-12, 1988.

"The Motivational Basis of Black Political Participation in the 1980's," (with Lawrence Bobo), paper prepared for presentation at the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Washington, D.C., March 23-27, 1988.

"Race, Class, and Ideology," (with Kenny Whitby) paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 8-12, 1987.

"Black Political Attitudes and the Limitations of the Generational Effects Model," paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Society of Political Psychologists, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, July 1-4, 1986.

"The Dualism of Black Public Opinion: Liberalism and Conservatism in Black America," paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 4-8, 1984.

"Voter Turnout for Midterm Congressional Elections," paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 4-8, 1984.

Courses Taught

The Policy Process (graduate seminar)
 Public Administration (graduate seminar)
 Civil Rights Policy (graduate seminar)
 Race and Politics (graduate seminar)
 Political Behavior and Public Opinion (graduate seminar)
 Introduction to African-American Studies (graduate seminar)
 Contemporary Public Policy Issues in Minority Communities (senior seminar)
 Minority Group Politics
 Campaigns and Elections
 The American Presidency
 American Politics and Parties
 Public Administration

Awards

Distinguished Alumni, University of Iowa, 2007
 Double D Award, Drake University, 2006
 Mark O. Hatfield National Scholar Award, Portland State University, 2004
 Best Paper in Black Politics, Western Political Science Association, 2000 (with Seth Masket)
 Distinguished Alumni Award, Department of Political Science, University of Iowa (2000)
 Nominee, Luckman Distinguished Teaching Award (1995, 1999)
 Center for American Politics and Public Policy, Research Fellowship (1998)

University of California, Los Angeles, Institute for Social Science Research, Principal Investigator, Southern California Social Survey, January, (1990)
 University of California, Los Angeles, Center for Afro-American Studies, ASPIR grant, (1989)
 Ford Foundation, Minority Post Doctoral Fellowship, (1986-1987) not accepted)
 University of California, Los Angeles, Center for Afro-American Studies, Post-Doctoral Fellowship, (1986-1987.)
 University of Wisconsin, Madison, Graduate School Summer Grant, (1983-1985).
 University of Iowa, Laboratory for Political Research, Research Associate, (1977-1978).

Dissertations Supervised:

Karen Kaufmann (1999), Associate Professor, University of Maryland
 Vincent Hutchings (1999), Associate Professor, University of Michigan
 Tamara Howard (2007) on job market

Master Theses Supervised

Elizabeth Frank (2001), Doctoral Student, Department of History, University of Southern California

Professional Activities

Member, American Political Science Association (1984 - present)
 Member, Midwest Political Science Association (1983 - present)
 Member, National Conference of Black Political Scientists (1986 - present)
 Member, Western Political Science Association (1991 - present)

Editorial Board, American Journal of Political Science (1994-1996)
 Editorial Board, Political Research Quarterly (1995-1997; 2000 – present)
 Editorial Board, Journal of Politics, (2001 – present)

Referee, American Political Science Review
 Referee, American Journal of Political Science
 Referee, Journal of Politics
 Referee, American Politics Quarterly
 Referee, Political Psychology
 Referee, National Political Science Review
 Referee, Social Science Quarterly
 Referee, Public Opinion Quarterly
 Referee, Political Research Quarterly
 Referee, Social Problems
 Referee, Press/Politics

Guest Editor, Metropolitan Universities Journal, Fall (2006)
 Site Review Committee, National Science Foundation, December 5-7, (2000)
 Consultant, President's Initiative on Race, "The LA Video Project" (1998)
 Forum on Science in the National Interest, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (1996)
 Committee of Visitors, National Science Foundation (1995)
 Graduate Research Fellowship Panelist, National Science Foundation (1995, 1996)
 Participant, Workshop on Legitimacy and Compliance, National Science Foundation (1995)
 Election Observer, Ethiopian Regional Elections, (1992)

Member, Journal Editor Search Committee, American Political Science Association, (2001-2002)

Member, Executive Council, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association, (2000 – 2002)

Chair, Committee on the Status of African Americans, American Political Science Association, (001 – 2002)

Member, Selection Committee, Best Paper on Race and Ethnicity, Western Political Science Association, (1996)

Member, Committee on the Status of African Americans, American Political Science Association (1995)

Section Chair, Southern Political Science Association, (2005)

Section Chair, Western Political Science Association, (2001)

Section Chair, Western Political Science Association, (2000)

Section Chair, Western Political Science Association, (1990)

Panel Chair, Western Political Science Association, (1995, 1998, 2000)

Panel Chair, Midwest Political Science Association, (1995)

Panel Chair, American Political Science Association, (1994)

Panel Chair, American Political Science Association, (1990)

Panel Chair, National Conference of Black Political Scientists, (1990)

Panel Chair, Midwest Political Science Association, (1986)

Panel Chair, Walter Rodney Symposium, (1985)

Discussant, American Political Science Association (1987, 1988, 1990, 1994, 1995, 1997, 1998)

Discussant, Western Political Science Association (1996, 1997, 1999, 2000)

Discussant, Conference on Racism, Ideology, and Politics”, UCLA (1997)

Discussant, Midwest Political Science Association (1996)

Lecture, “Creating a New Public Agenda: Strategic Communications, and Early Child Development, Royal Children’s Hospital, University of Melbourne (2008)

Lecture, “Can We Change America’s Racial Discourse?” Rothermere American Institute, Oxford University (2008)

Lecture, “Telling the Core Science Story: Strategic Communications and Early Child Development”, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, University College London (2008)

Lecture, “Civic Engagement and the Research University: Callenges and Opportunities”, the Oberman Center for Advanced Studies, University of Iowa (2008)

Lecture, “Evaluating Early Childhood Programs: Communications and the Policy Agenda”: National Forum for Early Childhood Program Evaluation (2007)

Lecture, “Communicating Early Childhood Development: Talking the Brain Research,” Graduate School of Education, Harvard University (2007)

Lecture, “Strategic Communications and Early Childhood Development”, National Scientific Council on the Developing Child (2007)

Lecture, “The Architecture of a New Racial Discourse”, School of Justice and Social Inquiry, Arizona State University (2007)

Lecture, “Changing the Way We Talk About Race”, The California Wellness Foundation (2007)

Lecture, “Race, Crime, and the TV News, March University of Pittsburg/Carnegie-Mellon University (1999).

Lecture, “Prime Suspects”, Pennsylvania State University (1999)

- Lecture, "Social Cognition and Strategic Communications", Division of Social and Community Psychiatry Research Rounds, Neuron-Psychiatric Institute, UCLA (1999)
- Lecture, "Framing the News", A.S.K. Salon, Audrey Skirbal-Kenis Theater Projects (1999)
- Lecture, University of Kentucky, Department of Political Science, Series on Race and Politics, "Prime Suspects" (1997)
- Lecture, JFK School, Shorenstein Center on Media and Politics, Media Cues and Racial Thinking" (1997)
- Lecture, Agenda For Social Justice, UCLA (1992)
- Lecture, Beverly Hills Democratic Club, "What the Democrats Must Do to Win the Black Vote" (1991)
- Lecture, University of Michigan, ICPSR, Survey Research on Underrepresented Populations" (1990)
- Lecture, "Race and Politics" Hebrew University (1988)
- Lecture, The Black Agenda, "Black Political Empowerment" (1987)

Departmental and University Service

- Chair, Chancellor's Committee on Civic Engagement (2008)
- Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Downtown Los Angeles (2007)
- Chancellor's Diversity Advisory Committee (2006-present)
- WASC Accreditation Committee (2005-present)
- Chancellor's Competitiveness Task Force, (2003)
- Search Committee, Center for African-American Studies, chair (2000-2001)
- NCAA Certification Committee, Chancellor's Ad Hoc (2001)
- Academic Senate, Committee on Diversity and Equal Opportunity (1997-99), chair (1999-2000)
- Search Committee, Center for African-American Studies (1997-99)
- Committee on Academic Personnel, Ad Hoc Committee (1997)
- Faculty Advisory Committee, Center for African American Studies (1988-2003)
- Faculty Advisory Committee, Lewis Center (2000-2001; 2003 -2004).
- Faculty Advisory Committee, Center for the Study of Urban Poverty (1992; 1996-98; 2002-2004)
- Faculty Advisory Committee, Institute for Social Science Research (1996-98, 2000-2001)
- Search Committee, Institute for Social Science Research (1994)
- Faculty Advisory Committee, Center for American Politics and Public Policy (1992, 1996)
- Professional Sports Consulting Panel (1996-97)
- Graduate Affirmative Action Recruitment Committee (1988-1990)
- Center for African American Studies Post-Doctoral Fellowship Committee (1988-1990)
- Target of Opportunity Recruitment Committee, Chair (1988-1989)
- Panelist, Visiting Fullbright Scholars Lecture (1988)
- Chancellor's Target of Opportunity Advisory Committee (1988-1989)
- Graduate Admissions and Fellowships Committee (1987-1989)
- Lecturer, University Summer Orientation Program (1987- 1989)
- Instructor, Transfer Summer Program (1987-1989)

Other Professional Activities

- National Advisory Board, National Center for Child Traumatic Stress, (2004 - present)
- National Selection Committee, Faculty Scholars Program, William T. Grant Foundation, (2001-2006)
- National Advisory Board, Media in a Multi-Ethnic Region, San Francisco State

University, (2001 – 2003)
 National Advisory Committee, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), (2001 – 2003)
 National Advisory Board, REDEMPTION, Nomadic Pictures, (2001 – 2005)
 National Advisory Board, Institute for Community Peace, (1999 – present)

Community Board, Hope Street Family Center, California Hospital Medical Center, (2004 –2007)
 Board of Directors, The Achievement Council, (2004 – 2005)
 Community Advisory Board, Sempra Energy, The Gas Company, (2003 – present)
 External Advisory Board, Community Oral Health Initiatives, (2003 – present)
 Community Investment Cabinet, Los Angeles United Way, (2003 – present)
 Advisory Board, Children Now, Children, Race, and the Media Conference (1998)
 Advisory Committee, The Role and Effectiveness of Child Advocacy Organizations, Urban Institute (1998)

Keynote Speaker, The Foundation Consortium, (2004)
 Keynote Speaker, The Rhode Island Foundation, (2004)
 Keynote Speaker, Council of Black Foundation Executives (1998)
 Keynote Speaker, Los Angeles Urban Bankers Association (1994)
 Keynote Speaker, Great Beginnings for Black Babies (1994)

Plenary Speaker, National STD Prevention Conference, Center for Disease Control and Prevention (2008)
 Plenary Speaker, Annual Meeting, Winthrop Rockefeller Foudantion (2007)
 Plenary Speaker, Annual Member’s Meeting, California Association of Food Banks (2007)
 Plenary Speaker, National Director’s Meeting, Prevent Child Abuse America (2006)
 Plenary Speaker, 2nd Meeting of the International Collaborative on Early Childhood Systems (2006)
 Plenary Speaker, Washington Legislative Health Conference, (2005)
 Plenary Speaker, Food and Society Conference, Kellogg Foundation (2005)
 Plenary Speaker, Arizona Health Disparities Conference (2005)
 Plenary Speaker, Northern California Grantmakers, (2005)
 Plenary Speaker, San Diego Nonprofit Partnership (2005)
 Plenary Speaker, Media Coverage through the Lens of Race, Poynter Institute, (2004)
 Plenary Speaker, National Network of Grantmakers, (2004)
 Plenary Speaker, Grantmakers in Children, Youth, and Families, (2004)
 Plenary Speaker, New York Regional Association of Grantmakers, (2004)
 Plenary Speaker, Washington Legislative Health Conference, (2003)
 Plenary Speaker, California Association of Public Hospitals, (2003)
 Plenary Speaker, National Governor’s Association, April (2001)
 Plenary Speaker, Annual Conference of the National Funding Collaborative for Violence Prevention (1999)

- Moderator, Jews and the Political Mosaic of Los Angeles, Autry National Center, (2005)
- Moderator, The State of Black Los Angeles, Los Angeles Urban League and the Greater Los Angeles United Way, (2005)
- Moderator, Southern California Association of Philanthropy, Communications and Community Change, (2004)
- Moderator, Civic Engagement, UCLA Center for the Study of Civil Society, (2004)
- Panelist, "Brown, Black Red or Yellow – the Color of Business is Green!" African American Business Summit, (June 22, 2007)
- Panelist, Symposium on Civic Engagement and Graduate Education, California Campus Compact, Stanford University (2006)
- Panelist, Reynolds Fellows Program, Center for Public Leadership, JFK School, Harvard University, Regency Club, Los Angeles. (2006)
- Panelist, UCLA Social Sciences Initiative Symposium, "Dreams Deferred, Denied, Realized: Confronting Inequality in Los Angeles and Beyond." (October 2006)
- Panelist, Lessons from Hurricane Katrina: Poverty, Race, and Health in America, UCLA School of Public Health, (2005)
- Panelist, After Katrina, New California Media, (2005)
- Panelist, "Operationalizing Engagement Scholarship at Research Universities" HERI Symposium: Civic and Academic Engagement in the Multiversity (2005)
- Panelist, RESPECT, Annie E. Casey Foundation, (2004)
- Panelist, Gang Violence as a Public Health Issue, California Wellness Foundation, (2003)
- Panelist, Asian American Cancer Network, (2003)
- Panelist, Youth, Race, and Crime in the News, A Media Forum, Youth Law Center, (2001)
- Panelist, Public Perceptions of Gender Equity in Education, Caroline and Sigmund Schott Foundation, (2001)
- Panelist, Judges' Leadership Council, Children's Defense Fund, (September 22-24, 2000)
- Panelist, Communications and Philanthropy, Annual Meetings of the Council on Foundations, April 9-14, (2000)
- Panelist, "Beyond the Mommy Wars: New Ways to Cover Childcare", Casey Journalism Center, University of Maryland, (1999)
- Panelist, Rockefeller Foundation, "Race and Strategic Communications" (1998)
- Panelist, McArthur Foundation, "Research Network on Adolescent Development and Juvenile Justice" (1998)
- Panelist, Children Now, Children, Race, and the Media Conference (1998)
- Panelist, Independent Sector, "Race, Media Frames, and Strategic Communications" (1998)
- Panelist, University of Maryland, Casey Journalism Center, Western Regional Conference, "Welfare Queens and TV Scripts" (1997)
- Panelist, Annie E. Casey Foundation, Conference on Juvenile Detention, 1997
- Panelist, University of Missouri, School of Journalism, "Race and the Media Project" (1997)
- Panelist, Grantmakers for Children, Youth, and Family, "Race, Class, and Ethnicity: Philanthropy for a Diverse Society" (1997)
- Panelist, Council on Foundations, "Superpredators or Wayward Youth?" (1997)
- Panelist, Research Agenda Meeting, The Civil Rights Project (1997)
- Panelist, Median and Democracy Congress, "The Power of Racial Inference in Local TV News" (1997)

Panelist, Council on Foundations, "The Power of News Scripts" (1996)
Panelist, Wingspread Conference, "Telling the Truth about America's Youth (1996)
Panelist, California Bar Association (1994)
Panelist, Langston Bar Association (1994)
Panelist, Conference on Immigration and Race Relations, Yale University,
Program in African and African-American Studies (1992)
Panelist, UCLA Presidential Debate Analysis (1988)

Political Analyst, KCBS/KCAL-TV, (2004 – present)
Guest Commentator, The Tavis Smiley Show, NPR, (2004)
Guest Commentator, KPFK-radio (1990, 2004)
Guest Commentator, Election '92, KCOP-TV (1992)
Guest, Black Entertainment and Music-TV (1990)
Guest Commentator, Presidential Elections, KPIX-TV San Francisco (1988)

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