

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION:

2004	Ph.D. University of North Carolina-Greensboro Greensboro, North Carolina Dissertation Title: <i>The Meanings of Intergenerational Caregiving: African American Grandmothers Raising Grandchildren within the Context of the Child Welfare System</i> Received George and Beatrice Goldman Fisher Gerontology Dissertation of the Year Award Received Pacesetter Award in 2013
1990	M.S.W. University of North Carolina- Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, North Carolina Received Distinguished Alumna of the Year Award in 2002
1985	B.A. University of North Carolina-Charlotte Charlotte, North Carolina Received Outstanding Senior in Social Work Award

ACADEMIC & ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

09/2013 – present	Interim Associate Dean J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Science, University of Arkansas
07/2013- present	Professor School of Social Work, University of Arkansas
07/2010- 08/2013	School of Social Work Director School of Social Work, University of Arkansas
07/2010 – 06/2013	Associate Professor School of Social Work, University of Arkansas
07/2010-6/2011	Associate Director School of Social Work, University of Arkansas

07/2010-6/2011	BSW Program Director School of Social Work, University of Arkansas
07/2010 – present	Associate Professor School of Social Work, University of Arkansas
08/2007-present	Affiliate Faculty, Public Policy PhD Program University of Arkansas
08/2004-08/2008 09/2009-06/2010	Assistant Professor (not employed by UA from 2008-2009) School of Social Work, University of Arkansas
1/2004 - 6/2004 1995	Clinical Instructor Family Innovations Center, Appalachian State University Field Liaison School of Social Work, UNC-Chapel Hill
1994-2004	Clinical Instructor School of Social Work, UNC-Chapel Hill
1994-1996	Field Liaison Department of Social Work, UNC-Charlotte
1992-1995	Adjunct Faculty Member Department of Social Work, UNC-Charlotte

TEACHING

My teaching experience at the University of Arkansas includes the following courses:

1. Intro to Social Work SCWK 2133 Spring 2010 (Undergraduate)
2. Human Behavior and the Social Environment I (Graduate and Undergraduate)
3. Multi-Systems Life Course I and II (The Graduate Advanced Policy-Practice Two Course Sequence)
4. Social Work Management, Administration and Supervision (Graduate)

AWARDED GRANTS AND OTHER FUNDED RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Total Amount Awarded: \$11,141,622

Title:	Intraprofessional Health
Source:	University of Arkansas Honors College Interdisciplinary Course Development Grant
Role:	Co- PI
Dates:	April 2013 – June 2014

Amount: \$11,504

Title: Comparative Study of Outcomes for IDA Participants in Arkansas and New Mexico
Source: The Ford Foundation
Role: Co- Investigator; Dr. Marcia Shobe (Principal Investigator)
Dates: January 2013-December 2013
Amount: \$250,000

Title: Comparative Study of Outcomes for IDA Participants in Arkansas and New Mexico
Source: The Ford Foundation
Role: Co- Investigator; Dr. Marcia Shobe (Principal Investigator)
Dates: July 2011-June 2012
Amount: \$250,000

Title: Evaluation Services Educational Development Account (EDA) Pilot Program
Source: Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority
Role: Co-Investigator; Dr. Christy-McMullin (Principal Investigator)
Dates: October 2009-October 2015
Amount: \$211,000 Funded Sept 2009- Sept 2113
\$60,000 Funded January 2010- Sept 2015

Title: Supplemental Dissemination Award: Voices for Healthy Choices (Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program) Program Evaluation
Source: DHHS – Office of Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention
Role: Co-PI
Dates: Sept 2009 – August 2010
Amount: \$136,000

Title: Voices for Healthy Choices (Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program) Program Evaluation (Process and Outcome Evaluation)
Source: DHHS – Office of Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention
Role: Co-PI
Dates: Funded for five-year period October 2007 – October 2012)
Amount: \$430,166
Note: In Jan 09, the funding source experienced a budget cut in response to the economic downturn that resulted in early termination of the grant. The final amount received was \$353,000 and the source ended on 9/30/2010

Title: Comparative Study of Outcomes for IDA Participants in Arkansas and New Mexico
Source: The Ford Foundation
Role: Co- Investigator; Dr. Marcia Shobe (Principal Investigator)
Dates: July 2010-June 2011
Amount: \$250,000

Title: Comparative Study of Outcomes for IDA Participants in Arkansas and New Mexico

Source: The Ford Foundation
 Role: Co-Investigator; Dr. Christy-McMullin (PI)
 Dates: July 2008-July 2010
 Amount: \$300,000

Title: Comparative Study of Outcomes for IDA Participants in Arkansas and New Mexico
 Source: The Ford Foundation
 Role: Co-Investigator; Dr. Christy-McMullin (Principal Investigator)
 Dates: July 2006-July 2008
 Amount: \$250,000

Title: The Reading Room: A Community Based Approach and Cultural Sensitive Approach to Enhancing English Literacy in the Marshallese Community
 Source: The Women's Giving Circle, Fayetteville, AR
 Role: Co-PI
 Dates: May 2008 – June 2009
 Amount: \$7,500

Title: Promoting Inclusive Excellence; Creating an Area of Emphasis in Diversity
 Source: Office of Institutional Diversity, University of Arkansas
 Role: Co-PI
 Dates: July 2007 – July 2008
 Amount: \$3,000

Title: Diversity Infusion Course: The Marshallese and Latino/Latina Reality
 Source: Office of Institutional Diversity, University of Arkansas
 Role: Co-PI
 Dates: July 2007-July 2008
 Amount: \$3,000

Title: Title IV E Child Welfare Grant
 Source: Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services
 Role: Role: Co-PI
 Amount: \$ 3,049,617.00 (Funded July 2006 – June 2007)
 Amount: \$ 2,927,109.00 (Funded July 2007 – June 2008)
 Amount: \$ 2,977,109.00 (Funded July 2008 – June 2009)

Title: Teaching Support
 Source: Teaching Faculty Support Center, University of Arkansas
 Role: PI
 Dates: July 2005 and July 2007
 Amount: \$800 total (\$400 in 2005 and \$400 in 2007)

Title: Faculty Research Support and Travel
 Source: Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, University of Arkansas
 Role: PI
 Dates: 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2011
 Amount: \$5,000 (\$1,000 Awarded each year)

Title: George and Beatrice Goldman Dissertation Of The Year Award
Source: University of North Carolina – Greensboro
Role: PI
Dates: Spring 2005
Amount: \$1,000

Title: Conner Endowed Fellow Faculty Award
Source: Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, University of Arkansas
Role: PI
Dates: 2005
Amount: \$1,000

Title: Marshallese Home Learning Literacy Project
Source: The Women’s Giving Circle, University of Arkansas
Role: Co-PI
Dates: May 2006 – June 2007
Amount: \$4,700

Title: Exploring the Prayers of African American grandmothers raising grandchildren
Source: Social Work Research Center, University of Arkansas
Role: PI
Dates: October 2005 – June 2007
Amount: \$3,900

Title: The Health Beliefs of African American grandmothers raising grandchildren
Source: Social Work Research Center, University of Arkansas
Role: PI
Dates: October 2004 – September. 2005
Amount: \$1,150

Title: Navigating Social Identities (Experiences of Young African American Men and Coming of Age)
Source: North Carolina State Department of Revenue: Promotion of Social Science Research
Role: Co-Investigator
Dates: October 2002 – October 2004
Amount: \$8,067

PRINT/ IN PRESS PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

Hunter, A. G., Friend, C. A., **Murphy, S. Y.**, Rollins, A., Williams-Wheeler, M., Laughinghouse, J. (2006). Loss, survival, and redemption: Manhood, and coming of age. *Youth & Society*, 37(4), 423-452.

Murphy, S. Y., & Goodson, J. (2007). Numbers alone do not tell the entire story: A program evaluation designed to generate evidence-based knowledge and practice in child welfare supervision. *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work*, 4(3/4), 80-101.

- Murphy, S. Y., & Goodson, J. (2007).** Numbers alone do not tell the entire story: A program evaluation designed to generate evidence-based knowledge and practice in child welfare supervision. In J. L. Jones & P. Sundet (Eds.), *Developing an empirically based practice initiative: A case study in cps supervision*. New York: The Haworth Press, Inc. [reprinted as a book chapter per publisher's request]
- Murphy, S. Y. (2007).** Voices of African American grandmothers: Informing child welfare kinship care policy-practice. *Journal of Intergenerational Relationships*, 6 (1), 25-39.
- Norris, A., **Murphy-Erby Y.**, Zajicek, A. (2007). An Intersectionality Perspective in Introductory Sociology Textbooks and the Sociological Imagination: A Case Study. *Race, Gender and Class*, 14(1/2), 333-344.
- Murphy, S. Y.,** Hunter, A.G., Johnson, D. J. (2008). Transforming caregiving: African American grandmothers and the child welfare system. *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare*, 35(2), 67-89.
- Zajicek, A. M., **Murphy, S. Y.**, Bravo, R., Norris, N., Warren A., & Bishwakarma, R. (2008). Engaging diversity: An exploratory analysis of an intersectional active-learning (IRAL) research team. *Learning Communities Journal*, 1(1), 15-29.

BOOK(S)

- Murphy, Y.,** Hunt, V., Zajicek, A., Norris, A., Hamilton, L. (2009). *Incorporating Intersectionality in Social Work Practice, Research, Policy, and Education*. Washington, DC: NASW Press. (Primary Press for the field of Social Work) 100 pages.
- Murphy, Y.,** Jordan, S., Shobe, M., Christy-McMullian, K. (Spring 2009). Individual Development Accounts and Social Justice. *Forum on Public Policy, A Journal of Oxford Roundtable*. 1, 1-21.
- Christy-McMullian, K., **Murphy, Y.,** Shobe, M., Jordan, S., Barefield, L., & Gergerich, E. (2010). Second-generation IDA research: Preliminary findings. *Journal of Evidence-based Social Work*, 7(3), 251-266.
- Murphy-Erby, Y.,** McMullian K., Stauss, K., Schriver, J. (2010). Multi-Systems Life Course: A New Practice Perspective and Its Application in Advanced Practice with Racial and Ethnic Populations. *Journal of Human Behavior and Social Environment*, 20 (5).
- Norris, A., Zajicek A., **Murphy-Erby, Y.** (2010). An exploration of an intersectional perspective in rural poverty research and public policy implications. *Journal of Poverty*, 14(1), 55-75.
- Murphy, Y.,** Stauss, K., Boyas, J., Bivens, V. (2011). Voices of Latino parents and teens: Tailored strategies for parent-child communication related to sex. *Journal of Children and Poverty*, (17)1, 125-138.

- Shobe, M. A., Christy, K., Givens, A., Hamilton, L., Jordan, S., & **Murphy-Erby, Y.** (2011). Cohabitation and marital status: Their relationship with economic resources and intimate partner violence. *International Journal of the Humanities* 9 (2), 203-220.
- Stauss, K., Murphy-Erby, Y.,** Boyas, J., & Bivens, V. (2011). Parent-child communication related to sexual health: The contextual experiences of rural Latino parents and youth. *Advances in Social Work*.12(2) 181-200.
- Boyas, J., Stauss, K., **Murphy-Erby, Y.** (2012). Predictors of frequency of sexual health communication: Perceptions from early adolescent youth in rural Arkansas. *The Child & Adolescent Social Work Journal*, 29(4), 267-284.
- Stauss, K., Boyas, J., **Murphy, Y.** (2012). Implementing and evaluating a rural community-based sexual abstinence program: Challenges and solutions. *Sex Education*, 12(1) 47-63.
- Shobe, M., Christy, K., Hamilton, L., **Murphy-Erby, Y.,** Denny, G. & Givens, A. (2013). Examining relationships between financial capital and personal well-being. *Journal of Poverty*, 17(1), 47-62. doi: 10.10080/10875549.2012.747999
- Hamilton, L., Shobe, M., **Murphy-Erby, Y.,** & Christy, K. (2013) It's all about security to me: The role of environment in youth financial literacy and savings behaviors. *Sage Open* (4) 1-8.
- Murphy-Erby, Y.,** Hamilton, L., Shobe, M. A., Christy, K., Hampton-Stover, E., & Jordan, S. (in press). Preparing children for success: Parents' perspectives on promoting savings and education. *Journal of Family Issues*.
- Murphy-Erby, Y.,** Stauss, K., Estupin, E. (in press). A participant informed model for preventing teen pregnancy in a rural Latino Community. *Journal of Family Social Work*.
- Norris, A. N., **Murphy-Erby, Y.,** Green, A., Willis, K., Jones, T. (in press). An Intersectional Exploration: The Experiences of Rural, Southern African American and White Women Participating in an Empowerment-Based Entrepreneurial Program. *Intersectionalities: A Global Journal of Social Work Analysis, Research, Polity, and Practice*, Under Review.

Non Referred Publications and Reports

- Murphy-Erby, Y.** Jordan, S. Christy-McMullin, K, Shobe, M., Hampton-Stover, E. (2010). EDA Qualitative End of the Year Report. Indiana Housing Authority.
- Stauss, K., J. Boyas, and **Y. Murphy-Erby** (2008). Voices 4 Healthy Choices: 2008 End-of-year report. Office of Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services. Washington, DC.
- Stauss, K., **Y. Murphy-Erby,** J. Boyas, (2009). Voices 4 Healthy Choices: 2009 End-of-year report. Office of Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services. Washington, DC.

Y. Murphy-Erby Stauss, K., J. Boyas (2010). *Voices 4 Healthy Choices: 2010 End-of-year report*. Office of Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services. Washington, DC.

Referred Conference Presentations and Papers

International:

Shobe, M. A., **Murphy-Erby, Y.**, & Sparks, J. (accepted). *Part-Time Social Work Faculty: Review of a Pilot Mentorship Project* at the UNM 2012 Mentoring Conference in New Mexico. October 24-27, 2012.

Hunter, A. G., Friend, C. F., Rollins, A., Murphy, S. Y., Williams-Wheeler, M. & McCoy, S.Z. (2011, November). *It's like a puzzle: Young African American men interrogate the meanings of manhood*. *Conference of the National Council on Family Relations*, Orlando, FL. (referred paper)

Shobe, M. A., Christy-McMullin, K., Hamilton, L., **Murphy-Erby, Y.**, Jordan, S. (2011). *Personal and social well-being: What are financial asset contributions?* The 9th International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities. Granada, Spain, June 8-11, 2011. (referred paper)

Stauss, K., Murphy-Erby, Y., Bivens, V. *A Model for Preventing Teen Pregnancy in a Rural Latino Community*. Hawaii 9th International Conference on Social Science, Hilton Waikiki Prince Kuhio Hotel, Honolulu Hawaii, June 2-5, 2010. (refereed paper).

Shobe, M. A., Christy-McMullin, K., **Murphy-Erby, Y.**, Jordan, S., Hamilton, L., & Givens, A. *Relationships between Household Assets and Individual Well-Being: Preliminary Findings from 904 Low-Income Participants in Arkansas and New Mexico*. International Journal of Arts and Sciences Conference, Orlando, FL, March 1-4 2010. (referred paper)

Collier, M., **Murphy, Y.** *A Culturally Sensitive Community-Based Approach to Literacy Engaging the Marshallese Population*. Hawaii International Conference on Education, Honolulu Hawaii, January, 2007. (refereed paper)

Murphy, S. Y. *Voices of African American Grandmothers: Implications for Child Welfare Policy*. International Intergenerational Caregiving Conference, Victoria University, Melbourne, Australia, June 2006. (refereed paper)

Murphy, Y., Hunter, A. *From Big Mama's Perspective: Challenges and Practice Solutions*. Generations United 13th International Conference: The Intergenerational Current: Across the Life Span and Around the Globe, Washington, DC, September 15, 2005. (refereed paper)

National:

Stauss, K., & **Murphy-Erby, Y.** *Using Visual Learning Strategies to Teach Complex Ideas: Challenges and Lessons Learned.* Internatinal Alliance of Teacher Schoalrs, Inc. 24th Annual Lilly Conference on College and University Teaching-West. Pamona, CA, March 16-17, 2012.

Schriver, J., **Murphy-Erby, Y.**, Christy-McMullin, K. *Multi-systems Life Course: A Model for Advanced Graduate Social Work Education.* Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education. Portland, OR, October 13-16, 2010. (refereed poster)

Boyas, J., **Murphy-Erby, Y.**, & Stauss, K. Youth Perceptions of dialogues of Sex Communication. National Convention and Care Conference. December 2009. Poster.

Stauss, K.A., Boyas, J., & **Murphy-Erby, Y.** (2008). *Five-Month Pilot Program Results of Voices 4 Healthy Choices-The Challenges and Lessons Learned.* National Convention and Care Conference. Dec. 2008. Poster.

Murphy, Y., Shobe, M., Christy-McMullin, K., Jordan, S. *Asset Development as a Protective Factor against Domestic Violence: Practice Initiatives.* Annual Hawaii Conference on Preventing, Treating and Assessing, Child, Adolescent and Adult Trauma, Honolulu Hawaii, April 2008. (refereed paper)

Murphy, Y., Zajicek, A., Motial, S. and Uplinger, A. *Intersectionality and Sex-Risk Behaviors among Young African-American Men: The Need for an Alternative Paradigm.* 37th Annual Conference of the Association of Black Sociologists, New York City, NY. August 2007. (refereed paper)

Murphy, Y., Collier, M., Vaughn, T. *Exploring the Prayers of African American Grandmothers Raising Grandchildren: Implications for Social Work Assessment and Intervention.* National Association of Christian Social Work, The Hilton, Philadelphia, PA, October 2006. (refereed paper)

Murphy, Y., Mungania, P. *Using Distance Learning Technology to Address the Challenges Associated with Delivering Child Welfare Training: An Interdisciplinary, University-Agency Collaborative Approach.* Annual Program Meeting, Council of Social Work Education – Technology Section, New York, NY, March 1, 2005. (refereed presentation)

Hunter, A., Friend, C. **Murphy S. Y.**, Rollins, A., Wheeler, M., & Laughinghouse, J. *African American Male Youth's Reflections of Father, Manhood and Coming of Age.* Preconference of the Black Caucus of the Society for Research on Child Development, April 23 - 24, 2003, Tampa, Florida.(refereed paper)

Invited Presentations

Murphy, Y., (2012). The Low Income Advocates Leadership and Community Development Conference. Little Rock AR.

Florida Philanthropic Network's CEO pre-conference dinner on "Leading n Times of Urgency, High Stakes & Uncertainty." Orlando FL.

Murphy, Y., Keynote Address: *The Changing Role of Grandparenting*. Annual Conference, Johnson C. Smith University and Institute for Geriatric Social Work, Boston University, June 2005.

Murphy S. Y., *African American Grandmothers Raising Grandchildren: Big Mama's Perspective*. Women's History Month Lecture Series, University of Arkansas, Multi-Cultural Center, Fayetteville, AR, March 2006.

Overview of Service

A. Service in the university, college or department

School of Social Work Director (2011-present)
Associate Director and BSW Program Director (2009-2011)
BSW Admission Committee Chair (2010-2011)
Teaching Camp Presentation (2007)
Graduation Faculty Volunteer, University of Arkansas (2007)
Black Faculty Mentoring Group (Sponsored by Black Alumni Association), University of Arkansas (2005-2007)
Silas Hunt Celebration Planning Committee, University of Arkansas (2006)
Child Welfare Interdisciplinary Committee Member, University of Arkansas (2004 -2006), Chair (2006 – 2007)
SSW Personnel Committee Member, University of Arkansas (2005 – 2007, 2009-2011)
SSW Faculty Search Committee Member, University of Arkansas (2005-2006), Chair (2006 – 2007 and 2009-2010)
Facilitator for Multi-Cultural Center Leadership Retreat, University of Arkansas (2006)
SSW Graduate Faculty Committee, University of Arkansas (2004-2007, 2009), Co-Chair (2005-2006 and 2010-2011)
School of Social Work Recruitment Committee (2006-2007, 2009-2010)
School of Social Work MSW Admission Committee (2005-2006) Chair summer 2005
MSW Pinning Ceremony, Committee Member, University of Arkansas (2004-2006).
Social Work Action Group, Faculty Advisor, University of Arkansas (2005-2006, 2009-2010)
Phi Alpha Honor Society, Founding Advisor
Southern Regional Educational Board (SREB) Mentor, University of Arkansas (2004-2007)
Public Policy, PhD. Faculty Advising Committee Member, University of Arkansas
Public Policy, PhD Dissertation Committee Member, University of Arkansas
Honor's Thesis Committee Member, University of Arkansas
Master Thesis Committee Member, University of Arkansas
African American African Studies Faculty Representative and Committee Member, University of Arkansas (2005-2007)
Women's mentoring committee, University of Arkansas (2007)
Participated in Building Inclusive Community Training Spring 2005
IV-E Search Committee (2006 and 2007)
Assisted in the interview process for the Assistant Dean of Recruitment and Retention and Director of Office of Graduate Recruitment position on behalf of Office of Affirmative Action
Multi-Cultural Center Advisory Board Member (2004-2007)
Multi-Cultural Center Search Committee (2006-2007)
Provided Professional Development Training for Office of Institutional Diversity, University of Arkansas (2007)
Fulbright College of Arts and Science, University of Arkansas, Strategic Planning Work Group (2006)

School Director Evaluation Committee, University of Arkansas (2006)
G. W. Carver Student Fellowship Co-advisor, University of Arkansas (2006)
Developed and Delivered Child Welfare Training for Region X (2006)
Developed and Delivered Child Welfare Supervisory Training for the State of Arkansas (2007)
MSW Pinning Ceremony; Keynote Address (2005)

International and National

Editorial Board, *Race, Gender & Class Journal* (2012-present)
Editorial Board, *Intersectionalities Journal* (2011-present)
Council of Social Work Education, External Relations Committee – Committee Member (2005-2007)
African Educational Resource Center (AERC), Kenya, advisory board member (2005-2007)
Closing the racial wealth gap think-tank session. Invited as “expert of color” by The National Economic Development & Law Center and the Ford Foundation, Santa Barbara, CA December 4-6, 2006 and October 22-31, 2007
National Strategic Planning Work Group Member (TITLE IVE) Portland State University, Portland Oregon, October 2004.
Southern Region Quality Improvement Center (SR QIC) Mentoring Work Group, University of Kentucky, 2004
Institute of Faculty Diversity and Mentorship, Compact for Faculty Diversity, UA Representative (2004 – 2007)
Reviewer for *Journal of Family Relations* (2003-2005)

Service to state, national or international agencies

Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Children and Family Services Advisory Board Member (2004 – 2007)
Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Children and Family Services – worker recruitment and retention committee member (2006-2007)
Arkansas Advocates Child Welfare Research Advisory Work Group (2005 – 2007)
Arkansas Minority Health Conference, Conference Planning Committee Member (2006-2007)
Board of Directors, Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation (2009-present) (2010-2011 chair-elect) - Governance Committee (2009-present) and Audit Committee (2010-present)
Membership Committee Member, Southeastern Council on Foundations (2009-present)

Other service

Volunteer Trainer for Voices of Grandparents Project, Fayetteville, AR (2006-2007)
Volunteer Trainer for Voices of Grandparents Project, Rogers, AR (2006-2007)
Children Concern’s Committee, Fayetteville, AR (2004-2006)

MEMBERSHIPS HELD IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

Council on Social Work Education
National Association of Social Workers
National Association of Christian Social Work
Southern Regional Educational Board Alumni Society
Phi Alpha Social Work Honor Society

HONORS AND AWARDS

Received the UNC Greensboro College of Health and Human Services Pacesetter Award given to outstanding alumni who have attained local, state or regional recognition through their achievements in scholarship, leadership or service, during their career. April 2013.

Received the first ever university-wide Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award from the University of Arkansas Center for Multicultural and Diversity Education. April 2012.

Recognized as an Outstanding Mentor by the University of Arkansas Office of Nationally Competitive Awards. April 2012.

Invited to serve on the Editorial Board for *Race, Gender & Class Journal*. March 2012.

Invited to serve on the Editorial Board for *Intersectionalities: A Global Journal of Social Work Analysis, Research, Policy, and Practice*. March 2011.

Our research team planned and convened our second National IDA Policy, Practice and Research Forum in Fayetteville, AR (April 2012). This forum was attended by participants from Arkansas, New Mexico, and Washington, DC. The event incorporated collaborations with other department and colleges to provide several campus lectures by noted anti-racism scholar and author Mr. Tim Wise.

Our research team planned and convened our first National IDA Policy, Practice and Research Forum in Hot Springs, AR (Sept. 2010). This forum was attended by participants from Arkansas, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, New Mexico, and Washington, DC.

International Award for Social Work Research awarded by the *International Journal of Arts & Sciences*, March 1, 2010 (Orlando, FL).

Finalist for the Apple Teacher of the Year Award, University of Arkansas, February 2008.

Invited by the National Economic Development and Law Center and the Ford Foundation as an “Expert of Color”, to participate in a 3-day think-tank session on closing the racial wealth gap. Santa Barbara, CA. December 2006.

Letter of recognition from Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs in response to student feedback that I made a positive difference that influenced their college career. May 2005 and May 2006.

Inducted into Phi Alpha National Social Work Honor Society, April 2006.

George and Beatrice Goldman Fisher Gerontology Dissertation of the Year Award, University of North Carolina Greensboro, Greensboro, NC, May 2005. (1 of 2 University wide \$1,000 dissertation awards)

Robert C. and Sandra Connor Endowed Faculty Fellow, University of Arkansas, March 2005. (\$1,000 award)