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EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Ph.D., Department of the History of Science, 1993

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA
S.M., Department of Physics, 1980

Spelman College, Atlanta, GA
B.S., Department of Physics, 1976

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA
B.E.E., Department of Electrical Engineering, 1976

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Dean of Harvard College, June 2008 – Present

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Senior Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Diversity, 2005 – 2008

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Barbara Gutmann Rosenkrantz Professor of the History of Science and of African and African American Studies, July 2007 – Present

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Professor of the History of Science and of African and African American Studies, 2002– 2007

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Director of Undergraduate Studies
Department of African and African American Studies, 2005–2006

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA
Professor of the History of Science, 2002

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Associate Member, Department of the History of Science, 1999–2002

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA
Associate Professor of the History of Science, (w tenure) 1998–2002

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Founding Director

MIT Center for the Study of Diversity in Science, Technology, and Medicine, 2001–2002

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Associate Professor of the History of Science, (w/o tenure), 1997–1998

University of California Los Angeles

Visiting Associate Professor of the History of Science and Women’s Studies, 1999

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Assistant Professor of the History of Science, 1992–1997

Hampshire College, Amherst, MA

Visiting Assistant Professor of the History of Science, 1990–1991

FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

Association for Women in Science (AWIS) Fellow	2008
Trailblazer Award, 125th Anniversary, Spelman College	2006
Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, Spelman College	2004
Walker Ames Distinguished Professor, University of Washington	2004
Spelman College Alumnae Achievement Award	2003
Distinguished Lecturer, Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society	2003–05
Phi Beta Kappa (elected), Epsilon Chapter of Georgia	2001
Visiting Scholar, Max Planck Institute, History of Science, Berlin, Germany	2001
Class of 1947 Career Development Chair Massachusetts Institute of Technology	1995–98
Post-doctoral Fellowship, National Endowment for the Humanities Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton University	1994–95
Sadie T. M. Alexander Prize for Outstanding Contributions to Black Women Spelman College	1995
Ford Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship for Minorities	1991–92
Five College Minority Dissertation Fellow	1989–90
Minority Prize Fellowship, Harvard University	1985–91

FIELDS OF RESEARCH

History of Science, Medicine, Biomedical Sciences, Public Health, in the 19th and 20th centuries, United States

Race, Gender and Science Studies, United States

Feminist Theory, United States

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Most Recent

“Racial Categories in Medical Practice: How Useful Are They?” L. Braun, A. Fausto-Sterling, D. Fullwiley, E.M. Hammonds, A. Nelson, et. al. *PLoS Med* 4(9): e271, 2007

“Straw men and their followers: The return of biological race,” published in on-line web forum on Race and Genomics by the Social Science Research Council (SSRC) at <http://raceandgenomics.ssrc.org/>, 2005.

“The Use of Race Variables in Genetic Studies of Complex Traits and the Goal of Reducing Health Disparities: A Transdisciplinary Perspective,” (with co-authors) *American Psychologist*, vol. 60, no. 1, January 2005.

“Conversation on Feminist Science Studies,” with B. Subramanian, *Signs: Journal of Women in Society*, 2003.

Books

The MIT Reader on Race and Gender in Science, co-authored with Rebecca Herzig and Abigail Bass (under contract with MIT Press).

The Logic of Difference: A History of Race in Science and Medicine in the United States, 1850–1990 (under contract with the University of North Carolina Press).

Consulting Editor, Encyclopedia of Science, Technology, and Society (forthcoming from Oxford University Press).

Childhood’s Deadly Scourge: The Campaign to Control Diphtheria in New York City, 1880–1930 (Johns Hopkins University Press), 1999.

Chapters in Books

“Gendering the Epidemic: Feminism and the Epidemic of HIV/AIDS in the United States, 1981–1999” in Angela Creager, Elizabeth Lunbeck and Londa Schiebinger, eds. Science, Medicine, and Technology in the 20th Century: What Difference Has Feminism Made? (University of Chicago Press), 2005.

“Toward a Genealogy of Black Female Sexuality: The Problematic of Silence” in M. Jacqui Alexander and Chandra Talpade Mohanty, eds., Feminist Genealogies, Colonial Legacies,

Democratic Futures (Routledge), 1997. Also appears in Janet Price and Margrit Shildrick, eds., Feminist Theory and the Body, A Reader (Routledge), 1999.

“Seeing AIDS: Race, Gender and Representation” in J. Manlowe and N. Goldstein, eds. The Gender Politics of HIV/AIDS in Women: Perspectives on the Pandemic in the U.S. (New York University Press), 1997.

“When the Margin is the Center: African-American Feminism(s) and ‘Difference’” in Joan W. Scott, Cora Kaplan, and Debra Keates, eds., Transitions, Environments, Translations: Feminisms in International Politics (Routledge), 1997.

“New Technologies of Race” in Jennifer Terry and Melodie Calvert, eds., Processed Lives: Gender and Technology in Everyday Life (Routledge), 1997.

“Science, Politics, and the Art of Persuasion: Promoting the New Scientific Medicine in New York City” with Elizabeth Fee in David Rosner ed., Hives of Sickness: Public Health and Epidemics in New York City, New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press, 155-196, 1995.

Other Major Publications

“Power and Politics in Feminism’s History and Future,” Journal of Women’s History. 2004.

Barbara Laslett, Sally G. Kohlstedt, Helen Longino, and Evelynn Hammonds, eds., Gender and Scientific Authority, University of Chicago Press, 1996.

“Black (W)holes and the Geometry of Black Female Sexuality,” differences: A Journal of Feminist Cultural Studies, 6.2+3, 1994, 127-145. (Also appears in Kum-Kum Bhavani, ed., Feminism and ‘Race,’ Oxford University Press, 2000.)

“Clarence Thomas, Affirmative Action and the Academy” in B. Thompson and S. Tyagi, eds., Beyond A Dream Deferred: Multicultural Education and the Politics of Excellence, University of Minnesota Press, 1993.

“Science” and “Roger Arliner Young” in Darlene Clark Hine, ed., Black Women in America: An Historical Encyclopedia, New York: Carlson Publishing, Inc., 1992.

“Missing Persons: Black Women and AIDS,” Radical America, 24:2, (April–June 1990, pub. July 1992) pp. 7-24. (Also appears in Beverly Guy-Sheftall, ed., Words of Fire: An Anthology of African-American Feminist Thought, The New Press, 1995.)

“Conflicts and Tensions in the Feminist Study of Gender and Science” with Helen Longino in E.F. Keller and M. Hirsch eds., Conflicts in Feminism, New York: Routledge, 164-183, 1990. (Part 2 of this essay (pp. 176-181), was written by E.M. Hammonds as identified in the text.)

“AIDS in Africa,” with M. Cerullo, Radical America, vol 20, no. 7, 1987.

“Race, Sex, AIDS: The Construction of Other,” Radical America, 5:6, 1986. (Also appears in Margaret Andersen and Patricia Hill Collins, eds., Race, Class, and Gender: An Anthology, Belmont, CA: Wadsworth Publishing Co., 1991 and 1995, and in S. Maasik and J. Solomon eds., Signs of Life in the U. S. A.: Readings on Popular Culture for Writers, Boston: Bedford Books of St. Martin's Press, 1994.)

Reviews

Review of Keith Wailoo, Dying in the City of the Blues: Sickle Cell Anemia and the Politics of Race and Health (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2001), Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law 27: 125-129, 2002.

Review of Susan L. Smith, Sick and Tired of Being Sick and Tired: Black Women's Health Activism in America, 1890-1950. (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 1995), Bulletin of the History of Medicine 72: 158-159, 1998.

Review of Donna J. Haraway, Modest_Witness@Second_Millennium.FemaleMan© Meets_Oncomouse™: Feminism and Technoscience (New York: Routledge, 1997) Journal of the History of Biology 30: 494-497, 1997.

Review of Barbara Bair and Susan Cayleff, eds., Wings of Gauze: Women of Color and the Experience of Health and Illness, Women's Review of Books, November 1994.

"Physician, Heal Thyself," Review of "Medicine at the Crossroads" Technology Review, April 1993.

Review of Barbara Bates, Bargaining for Life: A Social History of Tuberculosis, 1876-1938, Journal of American History, Winter 1993.

Review of Helen Bequaert Holmes and L. Purdy, Feminist Perspectives in Medical Ethics and Susan Sherwin, No Longer Patient: Feminist Ethics and Health Care, in Women's Review of Books, May 1993.

Review of "Science and Technology," Sage: A Scholarly Journal on Black Women," Science, Aug. 31, 1991, p. 919.

Review of Evelyn C. White, The Black Women's Health Book: Speaking For Ourselves, Women's Review of Books, June 1990, p. 1.

Review of Darlene Clark Hine, Black Women in White: Racial Conflict in the Nursing Profession, Women's Review of Books, October 1989.

SEMINARS, COLLOQUIA, ETC.

National Center for Women & Information Technology, Promising Practices Workshop, co-sponsored by University of Washington and Microsoft, Keynote, "Rationales for Diversity in Science and Technology," November 2007.

University of Massachusetts Lowell, "Intergenerational Voices on Women in Science and Engineering Conference," Keynote, April 2007.

University of Connecticut, Science & Human Rights, Lectures on Human Dignity, Human Rights, and the Life Sciences, Lecture, April 2007.

Brown University, The History of Race in Medicine and Public Health Lecture Series, "Race and Science: New Challenges to an Old Problem," February 2007.

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Advancing Diversity and Excellence in Science and Engineering Conference, Keynote Lecture, "The Challenges of Mentoring in Diverse Academic Communities," January 2007.

Harvard University, The Tanner Lectures of Human Values 2006-2007, Commentator, November 2006.

Harvard School of Public Health, Dean's Distinguished Lecture, October 2006.

Greenlining Institute, Towards Fair Cures Conference, Closing Remarks, October 2006.

National Council of Research on Women, Summit on Diversity, Panelist, June 2006.

Mellon Foundation-United Negro College Fund Workshop on AIDS In America, Africa and the Diaspora, Co-Leader, Accra, Ghana, June 2006.

MIT Center for the Study of Diversity in Science, Technology, and Medicine, Keynote Address, April 2006.

State University of New York, Binghamton, Romano Lecture, March 2006.

Richmond University, Distinguished Lecture in Science Studies, September 2005.

University of Kansas Medical Center, Clendening Lecture in the History of Medicine, September 2005.

University of Maryland, Baltimore County, NSF ADVANCE Distinguished Lecture, February 2005.

Yale University, Department of African American Studies, Race, Health and Medicine Series, Lecture, January 2005.

University of Rochester, School of Medicine, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Lecture, January 2005.

Brown University, Race and the Human Genome Conference, Keynote Lecture, October, 2004.

American Anthropological Association, Race and the New Genetics, Panelist, September 2004.

Harvard University, W. E. B. DuBois Institute Colloquia, November 2003.

Northwestern University, The Department of African American Studies and the Judd A. and Marjorie Weinberg of College of Arts and Sciences, Allison Davis Lecture, November 2003.

Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Panelist, "Gender, Race and Rights in African American Women's History," October 2003.

North Carolina State University, Rolf Buchdahl Lecture in Science, Technology & Values, September 2003.

Wesleyan University, African American Studies Program's Fall Lecture Series, October 2002.

National Conference of Ford Fellows, Keynote address, "Looking Backward, Moving Forward: Scholarship in a Global Society," October 2002.

Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University, Panelist, "Defining Women's Health," May 2002.

Spelman College, Phi Beta Kappa Induction Ceremony, Keynote Speaker, April 2002.

National Institutes of Health Conference, paper presented on panel, "Racial and Ethnic Bias in Health: Scientific Evidence, Methods and Policy Implications," April 2002.

Brown University, Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in American Faculty Seminar Series, Lecture, "The Science of Race," March 2002.

Georgetown University, Presenter, "Emerging Ethical Issues in Smoking and Genetics," March 2002.

Tufts University, The Black Cultural Studies Seminar, Lecture, "Race, Racism and Science," March 2002.

Drew University, Women's Studies Visiting Scholar Series, Inaugural Speaker, February 2002.

Barnard College, Panelist, "Balancing the Equation: Where are Women and Girls in Science and Technology?" February 2002.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Lecture, "The Logic of Difference: Racial Categories in Medicine," January 2002.

Society for the Social Study of Science, Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, Plenary Panel, "Race, Science, and Culture," November 2001.

Brown University, Science Studies Series, October 2001.

Hobart and William Smith College, Lecture, October 2001.

Rutgers University, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research, Presenter, "The Politics of Racial Health: Myths, Maladies, and the History of Policy," October 2001.

New York State Department of Health, Wadsworth Research Center, Centennial Lecture, September 2001.

Rutgers University, Douglass College, September 2001.

Harvard University, Department of the History of Science and African American Studies, McGovern Lecture, May 2001.

Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Berlin, May 2001.

Cambridge University, Department of the History and Philosophy of Science, May 2001.

Wellesley College, Women's Studies Program, First Annual Domna Stanton Lecture, April 2001.

Pennsylvania State University, April 2001.

Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University, Feminism, Science, and Civil Society Series, April 2001.

American Public Health Association, Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, October 2000.

University of Pennsylvania, Annenberg Lecture in Women's History, April 2000.

Wesleyan University, The Diane Weiss Memorial Lecture, April 2000.

Carnegie Mellon University, Department of History, March 2000.

Barnard College, Women's Studies Program, October 1999.

UCLA School of Public Health, April 1999.

Michigan State University, Race in the 21st Century Conference, March 1999.

UCLA Center for the Study of Women, March 1999.

UCLA Program in Medical Classics, February 1999.

University of Warwick, England, August 1998.

Princeton University, Conference on Science, Medicine and Technology: "What Difference Has Feminism Made?" April 1998.

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of the History of Medicine, The William Snow Miller Memorial Lecture, April 1998.

UCLA, Feminism's 'Race' Question Conference, March 1998.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Program in Science, Technology, and Society, The Miller Lecture on Science and Ethics, March 1998.

American Anthropological Association, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, November 1996.

Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, Mohonk House, New Paltz, New York, November 1996.

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 10th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, June 1996.

National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD, National Library of Medicine, February 1996.

Rutgers University, Douglass College, January 1996.

Ohio State University, Gender and Technologies of the Body Conference, April 1995.

Rutgers University, Institute for Advanced Study Princeton, and Institute for Research on Women, Transitions, Environments, Translations Conference, April 1995. Princeton, Institute for Advanced Study, March 1995.

Universidad de Granada, Granada, Spain, Mujeres De Ciencia. Pasado Y Presente, June 1994.

History of Science Society, Annual Meeting, Santa Fe, New Mexico, November 1993.

HARVARD COMMITTEES

Chair, Provost's Review Committee on Faculty Appointments, Harvard University, September 2005 – Present.

Chair, University Committee on Faculty Development and Diversity, Harvard University, 2005 – Present.

Member, Advisory Committee on Honorary Degrees, Harvard University, 2006 – Present.

Member, Advisory Committee on Degrees in Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, Harvard University, 2003 – Present.

Chair, Task Force on Women Faculty, Harvard University, January – May 2005.

Member, Standing Committee on Women, Harvard University, September 2004 – 2005.

Member, Social Science Advisory Committee, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University, September, 2004–2006.

Member, General Education Committee, Harvard University, September 2004 – May 2005.

EXTERNAL BOARD AND LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Member of the Board of Trustees, Spelman College, 2008 – Present.

Member, National Research Council Committee on Underrepresented Groups and the Expansion of the Engineering Workforce Pipeline, 2008 – 2009.

Chair, Advisory Committee, MIT Initiative on Faculty Race & Diversity, 2007 – Present.

Member of the Board of Trustees, Association of American Colleges and Universities, 2006 – Present.

Associate Member, Broad Institute of Harvard and MIT, 2006 – Present.

Member, Board of Overseers, Museum of Science, Boston, MA, September, 2006 – Present.

Member, Board of Trustees, Social Science Research Council, May, 2006 – Present.

Member, National Advisory Committee, Brandeis University Women's Studies Program, 2004 – Present.

Member of the Board of Governors, University of California Humanities Research Institute, 2006 – 2008.

Member of the Board of Trustees, Bennett College for Women, 2002–2005.

Member of the Advisory Committee, “Race, Gender and the Sciences at a Historically Black College” Curriculum Development Project, Spelman College, 2000–2003.

Member, National Panel on Higher Education BEST (Building Engineering and Science Talent) Project, 2001–2002.

Member, History of Science Society Council, 1999–2001.

Member of the Board of Directors, Graduate Consortium in Women’s Studies, Radcliffe College, 1997–1998.

Co-chair, Committee on Women, History of Science Society, 1993–95.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Reviewer, “Beyond Bias and Barriers: Fulfilling the Potential of Women in Academic Science and Engineering,” National Academy of Sciences, 2006.

Co-Editor, Race and Gender in Science Studies Book Series, University of Illinois Press, 2004.

Panelist, Minority Dissertation Fellowship Program, Woodrow Wilson Foundation, March 2002.

Project Scholar, “Race – The Power of an Illusion,” California Newsreel Productions, 2001–2002.

Program Committee, Berkshire Conference of Women’s Historians, 2000–2002.

Panelist, Greater Expectations Project, Association of American Colleges and Universities, 2000–2002.

Associate Editor, *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*, 1999 – 2002.

NSF Review panel, ADVANCE Program, June 2001.

Co-organizer of Black Women in the Academy II: Service and Leadership, June 1999.

Consultant, Association of American Colleges and Universities, Project: Women and Scientific Literacy: Building Two-Way Streets, 1996–1999.

Consultant, Ford Foundation Curricula Project, Department of African and African American Studies, University of California, Berkeley, 1997.

Program Committee, Organization of American Historians, 1996–97.

Consultant, Ford Foundation Curricula Project in Women’s Studies, Spelman College, 1994–1997.

Project Scholar, "Breakthrough: The Changing Face of American Science," documentary produced by Blackside Productions, Boston, 1994.

Co-organizer of Black Women in the Academy: Defending Our Name, 1894–1994, National Conference.

Project Scholar, "The People's Plague: The American Response to Tuberculosis," documentary produced by Florentine Films, funded by NEH, 1993.

Program Committee, Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, 1992–93.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Association for the History of Medicine.

History of Science Society.

American Historical Association.

Organization of American Historians.