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Courtesy Appointment, African and African Diaspora Studies
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Education

University of Massachusetts, Amherst 2005

Ph.D., Sociology (*With Distinction*)

Committee: Naomi Gerstel, Ronnie Janoff-Bulman (Psychology), Joya Misra,
and Robert Zussman (Chair)

Transylvania University 1998

Bachelor of Arts (*With Honors*)

Majors: Anthropology and Sociology

Minors: Multicultural Studies and Women's Studies

Areas of Specialization

Childhood	Qualitative Methods
Family	Social Psychology
Race, Class, and Gender	Trauma

Publications

Book:

McGuffey, C. Shawn. *Forthcoming. Blaming Mothers: Gender, Race and Male Child Sexual Abuse*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Peer-Reviewed Articles and Book Chapters:

McGuffey, C. Shawn. 2010. "Blacks and Racial Appraisals: Gender, Race and Intra-racial Rape." In *Black Sexualities: Probing Powers, Passions, Practices and Policies*, edited by Juan Battle and Sandra Barnes. Rutgers University Press.

McGuffey, C. Shawn. 2008. "Saving Masculinity: Gender Reaffirmation, Sexuality, Race and Parental Responses to Male Child Sexual Abuse." *Social Problems* 55 (2): 216-237.

* 2009 *Best Article Award Winner, Sexualities Section of the American Sociological Association**

McGuffey, C. Shawn. 2005. "Engendering Trauma: Race, Class and Gender Reaffirmation after Child Sexual Abuse." *Gender & Society* 19 (5): 621-643.

* 2006 *Sally Hacker Award Winner, Sex and Gender Section of the American Sociological Association**

McGuffey, C. Shawn and B. Lindsay Rich. 1999. "Playing in the Gender Transgression Zone: Race, Class, and Hegemonic Masculinity in Middle Childhood." *Gender & Society* 13 (5): 608-627.

Reprints:

2007.

In *The Kaleidoscope of Gender: Prisms, Patterns, and Possibilities (2nd edition)*, edited by Joan Z. Spade and Catherin G. Valentine. Thomson Wadsworth.

2007.

In *Intersections of Gender, Race, and Class: Readings for a Changing Landscape (1st edition)*, edited by Marcia Texler Segal and Theresa A. Martinez. Roxbury.

2006.

In *Race, Gender, and Class: Theory and Methods of Analysis*, edited by Bart Landry. Prentice Hall.

2004.

In *The Kaleidoscope of Gender: Prisms, Patterns, and Possibilities (1st edition)*, edited by Joan Z. Spade and Catherin G. Valentine. Thomson Wadsworth.

2001.

In *Men's Lives (5th edition)*, edited by Michael Kimmel and Michael Messner. Allyn and Bacon.

McGuffey, C. Shawn. 1998. "Kentucky Identity: Are We Southern or What?: Gender, Race, and Region." 1998. *Selected Proceedings of the 1997 Annual Meeting of the Anthropologists and Sociologists of Kentucky* 1 (1): 1-5.

Articles Under Review:

McGuffey, C. Shawn. "Tell My Story: Racial Appraisals and Black Women's Accounts of Rape."

McGuffey, C. Shawn. "Why I Can't Tell: Rape, Racial Appraisals and Black Men's Responses to Same-Sex Trauma."

Works in Progress:

C. Shawn McGuffey. "Coping with Class: How Poverty and Social Mobility Mediates the Accounts of Rape for Black Ghanaians and South Africans."

McGuffey, C. Shawn. " 'It would be better if you were ugly and gay': Un/Doing Difference in the Interview"

McGuffey, C. Shawn. " 'It's Good to be a Black Boy': Race, Class, Gender and the Inversion of Black Identity in Children's Play"

McGuffey, C. Shawn. "Ties That (Un)Bind?: Racial Cohesion and Class Conflict Within Black Families"

Research Grants

Research Incentive Grant The Social Psychology of Black Rape Survivors Principle Investigator: C. Shawn McGuffey	2008
Ford Foundation Black Sexuality Project Principle Investigator: Juan Battle	2006
Boston College, Research Expense Grant Engendering Trauma Principle Investigator: C. Shawn McGuffey	2005
University of Massachusetts, Amherst Graduate School Travel Grants	1999, 2003, 2005

Awards, Fellowships and Honors

Best Article Award "Saving Masculinity: Gender Reaffirmation, Sexuality, Race and Parental Responses to Male Child Sexual Abuse." Sexualities Section of the American Sociological Association	2009
Sally Hacker Award "Engendering Trauma: Race, Class, and Gender Reaffirmation after Child Sexual Abuse." Sex and Gender section of the American Sociological Association	2006
Distinction , Ph.D. Dissertation, Department of Sociology University of Massachusetts, Amherst	2005
Teaching Excellence Award , Division of Continuing Education University of Massachusetts, Amherst	2004
Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts-Amherst Title: "Parental Responses to Extrafamilial Child Sexual Abuse of Boys."	2002
Teaching Excellence Award , Division of Continuing Education University of Massachusetts, Amherst	2002
Distinction , Comprehensive Exam: Family Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst	2002

Graduate School Fellowship University of Massachusetts, Amherst	2002
ALANA Diversity Fellowship University of Massachusetts, Amherst	1999
Transylvania Scholar Transylvania University	1997
First Place , Undergraduate Paper Competition Anthropologist and Sociologist of Kentucky Title: "Kentucky Identity: Are We Southern or What?: Gender, Race, and Region."	1997
First Place , Undergraduate Paper Competition Anthropologist and Sociologist of Kentucky Title: "Gender Boundary Negotiation in Childhood: Hegemonic Masculinity at Play."	1996
Omicron Delta Kappa (Academic and Leadership Honorary)	1996
Black Youth Achiever of the Year National Black Achievers Network	1994

Conference Presentations

Intersectionality and LGBT Health (Fenway Institute) , Boston, MA "Future Directions in Intersectionality and LGBT Health"	2011
LGBT Resiliency Conference , Chestnut Hill, MA (Boston College) Panelist, "From Trauma to Policy"	2010
Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora , Accra, Ghana "Rape and Trauma in South Africa: The Experience of Women in Poverty"	2009
National Association of African American Studies , Baton Rouge, LA "The Color of Trauma: Race and Sexual Assault"	2009
Race, Sex, and Power Conference , Chicago, IL "African-Americans and Racial Appraisals: Gender, Race, and Intra-racial Rape"	2008
Association of Black Sociologists , New York, New York "The Social Psychology of Black Rape Survivors."	2007
Society for the Study of Social Problems , Montreal, Canada "How Parents Use Gender and Racial Concepts to Raise Sexually Abused Boys."	2006

Association of Black Sociologists , Montreal, Canada “How Sexuality Can Threaten Gender and Racial Identities.”	2006
Eastern Sociological Society , Boston, Massachusetts “Gender Reaffirmation and Racial Appraisals after Child Sexual Abuse.”	2006
American Sociological Association , Philadelphia, Pennsylvania “Blaming Mothers: Gender, Race and the Meaning of Parenthood After Child Sexual Abuse.”	2005
American Sociological Association , Philadelphia, Pennsylvania “Racing Gender or Gendering Race? Theorizing Empirical Intersectional Research” (with Amy C. Wilkins).	2005
American Sociological Association , Atlanta, Georgia “Family Disruption: Gendered Accounts of Parents in Response to Extrafamilial Child Sexual Abuse of Boys.”	2003
American Sociological Association , Chicago, Illinois “‘She Even Passed the Manhood Test, Remember?’: Gender Boundaries and Hegemonic Masculinity in Middle Childhood.”	1999
Conference on Diversity and Minority Issues at Private Colleges Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky “Evaluating African-American Retention at Transylvania University: A Qualitative Approach.”	1998
Anthropologists and Sociologists of Kentucky Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, Kentucky “Kentucky Identity: Are We Southern or What?: Gender, Race, and Region.”	1997
Southern Sociological Society , New Orleans, Louisiana “Constructing Masculinity and Femininity in Childhood Play Activities.”	1997

Invited Talks

University of Massachusetts , Amherst, MA “Methods of Intersectional Research”	2011
Transylvania University , Lexington, KY “Blaming Mothers: Gender, Race and Male Child Sexual Abuse”	2011
Brandeis University , Waltham, MA “Tell My Story: Racial Appraisals and Black Women’s Rape”	2011

Boston University , School of Social Work “Rape, Race and Research: Implications for Theory and Practice”	2010
Boston College , Connell School of Nursing “Gender, Race and Trauma Research”	2009
Harvard University , Cambridge, MA “Nature vs. Nurture: A Discussion on the Origins of Male Violence”	2008
Rape Crisis Capetown Trust , Capetown, South Africa “Speaking the Horror: Working with Indigenous Survivors of Sexual Assault”	2008
University of the Western Cape , Tygerberg, South Africa “It’s Different Here: Rape and Racial Appraisals in Cultural Context”	2008
University of Colorado , Boulder Department of Sociology and the Center for the Study of Violence and Prevention “It’s a White Thing: Gender, Race, and Male Child Sexual Abuse”	2007
Ithaca College , Ithaca, NY “It’s a White Thing: Gender, Race, and Male Child Sexual Abuse.” Department of Sociology and Center for the Study of Culture, Race, and Ethnicity	2007
Stonehill College , Easton, MA “The Impact of Sexual Violence on Black Women When Perpetuated by Black Men” Boston College Graduate School of Social Work and The Martin Institute of Law and Society at Stonehill College	2007
University of the Western Cape , Tygerberg, South Africa “Cultural Relativism v. Structured Inequality: Cross-Cultural Perspectives of Child Sexual Abuse”	2007
University of the Western Cape , Tygerberg, South Africa “Gender, Race, and Child Sexual Abuse in the United States”	2007
Smith College , Northampton, Massachusetts Department of Afro-American Studies “It’s a White Thing: Gender, Race, and Sexual Violence.”	2006
Boston College , African and African Diaspora Studies “It’s a White Thing: Gender, Race, and Sexual Violence.”	2006
Boston College , Graduate School of Social Work Diversity and Cross-Cultural Issues: Power, Privilege, and Gender Oppression.”	2006

Boston College , Sociology Department, Colloquium Series “Engendering Trauma: Gender, Race, and Family after Child Sexual Abuse.”	2005
Rutgers University , Camden, New Jersey Center for Children and Childhood Studies “Saving Masculinity: Sexual Threat, Gender Reaffirmation, and Racial Appraisals After Child Sexual Abuse.”	2005
Institute for Community Research , Hartford, Connecticut “Interviewing: Techniques and Practices.”	2003
Smith College , Northampton, Massachusetts “‘Cita’s World’ and Representations of Blackness.”	2003
University of Massachusetts , Honors College, Amherst “American Indians and Social Policy: Historical and Contemporary Issues.”	2003
University of Massachusetts , Honors College, Amherst “Tribes and Tribulations: How American Indians Use Gender and Sexuality to Construct Modern Identity Movements.”	2002
Boston University , Symposium on Sexual Violence Education “Reconceptualizing the Self after Sexual Abuse and Rape: Survivors Speak.”	1999

Professional Service

Service to the Discipline

American Sociological Association Sexualities Section Best Article Award Committee	2010-2011
National Association of African American Studies Presider and Discussant, Regular Paper Session – Race and Memory	2010
<i>Social Problems</i> , Vancouver, WA Social Problems Research Practicum	2007
American Sociological Association , New York, New York Panelist, Professional Workshop – Mastering the Job Market	2007
Eastern Sociological Society , Boston, Massachusetts Presider, Regular Paper Session – Children and Schools	2006
Eastern Sociological Society Committee on the Status of Women in Sociology	2000 - 2002

Journal Reviewer: *Gender & Society, Men & Masculinities, Qualitative Sociology, and Sociology of Sport Journal*

Boston College

African and African Diaspora Studies

Amanda V. Houston Award Committee	2007 - present
Black Family Weekend, Discussant and Moderator	2006
Dissertation Fellowship Committee	2009 - present
Faculty of Color Profiles, Co-coordinator (with Dr. Rhonda Frederick)	2009 - present
Works In Progress Series, Host	2009 - 2010

AHANA Leadership Council, Women of Color Caucus

Presentation on Women of Color and Sexual Violence	2007
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AHANA 30th Anniversary Celebration

The Oratorical Contest, Judge	2010
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Appalachia Volunteers of Boston College

Presentation on Community Perspectives on Service Work	2009 & 2011
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Black History Month Celebration

Presentation on Black Sexuality	2011
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Book Publishing for Pre-tenure Faculty

Panelist, (Organized by Patricia DeLeeuw)	2010
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Center for Student Formation

Pilot Learning Community	2010 - present
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Commencement (134th)

Field Marshal	2010
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Department of Sociology

Advisory and Planning Committee	2005 - 2009
Graduate Admissions Committee	2008 - 2009
Graduate Studies Committee	2005 - present
Poverty, Families and Social Policy Specialty Area (Co-founder & Co-director)	2009 - present
Scholarly Events and Visiting Scholars Committee	2005 - present

Take Back the Night

Discussion on Race, Men and Sexual Assault	2010
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Options Through Education

Maya Angelou Oratorical Contest, Judge and Volunteer	2006
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University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Department of Sociology
Faculty Recruitment Committee

2000–2001

Sociology Graduate Student Association
President

2000–2001

Courses

Boston College

Undergraduate Courses:

African-American Society
Race, Class, and Gender

Mixed Level/Graduate Courses:

Black Families and Society
Gender and Society
Qualitative Questions: The Politics and Practice
of Qualitative Research
2nd Year Graduate Writing Seminar
Social Inquiry Research Seminar
The Politics of Black Sexuality
Trauma, Culture and Coping

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Undergraduate Courses:

Family
Race, Class, and Gender
Social Problems
Writing in Sociology

Graduate Students Supervised

Chiwen Bao, Sociology Department, Boston College (Dissertation Defense, 12/16/09)

Emily Barko, Sociology Department, Boston College

Lara Birk, Sociology Department, Boston College (Area Exam in Medical Sociology Defense,
12/01/09)

Jennifer Esala, Sociology Department, Boston College (M.A. Defense, 6/29/06)

Shanyan Foo, Sociology Department, Boston College (M.A. Defense, 4/15/09)

Jared Del Rosso, Sociology Department, Boston College (M.A. Defense, 2/23/07; Area Exam in
Gender Defense, 12/7/07; Dissertation Proposal Defense, 1/14/09)

Amy Fennegan, Sociology Department, Boston College (Area Exam Defense, 2/26/09)

Autumn Green, Sociology Department, Boston College (M.A. Defense, 2/12/07; Area Exam in Race, Class & Gender Defense, 2/06/09; Dissertation Proposal Defense 12/13/10)

Kristen Drummey, Sociology Department, Boston College (M.A. Defense, 6/14/07)

Sarah Hogan, Sociology Department, Boston College

Micaela Kimball, Sociology Department, Boston College

Adina Koch, Sociology Department, Boston College

Betsy Leondar-Wright, Sociology Department, Boston College (Dissertation Proposal Defense, 4/22/09)

Marya Mtshali, Sociology Department, Boston College (Readings & Research Independent Study, Spring 2011)

Colleen Nugent, Sociology Department, Boston College (M.A. Defense, 3/30/07)

Johanna Pabst, Sociology Department, Boston College (Dissertation Proposal Defense, 5/28/08)

Hyejun Park, Sociology Department, Boston College (M.A. Defense, 4/29/10)

Charles Pinderhughes, Sociology Department, Boston College (Ph.D. Defense, 9/23/09)

Natalie Rosado, Sociology Department, Boston College (M.A. Defense, 4/17/08)

Gretchen Sisson, Sociology Department, Boston College (M.A. Defense, 12/14/09; Dissertation Proposal Defense 12/16/10; Area Exam in Medical Sociology Defense, 1/25/11; Ph.D. Defense 4/19/11)

Roberto Soto-Carrion, Department of Sociology, Brandeis University

Elizabeth Tov, Department of Sociology, Boston College (Readings & Research Independent Study, Fall 2010)

Aimee Van Wangenen, Sociology Department, Boston College (Ph.D. Defense, 4/7/06)

Undergraduate Students Supervised

Carlos Barrientos, Mays Mentoring Program

Jessica Chau, Readings and Research/Independent Study

Cara Colbert, Sociology Honor's Program

Kelly Fischietto, Sociology Honor's Program

Marline Gay, Sociology Honor's Program

Gavin Johnson, McNair Scholar

Jessica Johnson, Moore Undergraduate Research Program (UNC – Chapel Hill)

Katrina King, Sociology Honor's Program

Joanna Klekowicz, Readings and Research/Independent Study

Christopher Lee, Sociology Honor's Program

Phillip McHarris, Mays Mentoring Program and McNair Scholar

John Reynolds, Sociology Honor's Program

Khloe Scurry, Community Research Program

Professional Development

Common Room Retreat on Student Formation	2010
Center for Student Formation	
Institute for the Preparation of Mentors	2006
Benjamin Elijah Mays Mentoring Program	

Professional Affiliations

American Sociological Association
Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora
Association of Black Psychologists
Association of Black Sociologists
Eastern Sociological Society
Society for the Study of Social Problems
Sociologists for Women in Society

Media Recognition/Public Sociology

- WGBH/PBS, *Basic Black*, Boston, Massachusetts** **2010 - 2011**
- * “The Myths & Realities of Single Black Women” (Original Broadcast February 11th, 2011)
 - * “An African-American View of the Democracy Movement in Egypt” (Original On-Line Stream February 11th, 2011)
 - * “The Black Family: 45 Years After the Moynihan Report” (Original Broadcast June 3rd, 2010)
 - * “Boston Police Department and ‘Shaming’ Alleged Gang Members” (Original On-Line Stream June 3rd, 2010)
 - * “Black Masculinity” (Original Broadcast May 13th, 2010);
- Public Interest Law Retreat, Andover, Massachusetts** **2007**
“Privilege, Oppression, and the Construction of Law: An Exercise”
- U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs** **2006**
National Criminal Justice Reference Service
- Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault (MCASA)** **2006**
Research on child sexual abuse featured in *Frontline*

Community Service Activities (since moving to Boston, MA 09/05)

Black Achievers Network
Gay Men’s Domestic Violence Project (Board of Trustees)
Hub on Wheels
May Day Coalition
Otis Air National Guard Base on Cape Cod for Katrina evacuees
People Making a Difference

References

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