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EDUCATION

1998-2001 Bachelor of Science, Florida A & M University, Tallahassee, FL USA
2001-2003 Master of Arts in Economics, Duke University, Durham, NC USA
2001-2007 PhD in Economics, Duke University, Durham, NC USA

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Primary Fields: Labor Economics and Economics of Education
Secondary Fields: Industrial Organization and Macroeconomics

DISSERTATION

Title: Noncognitive Ability and College Performance

Committee: Marjorie McElroy (Chair), Peter Arcidiacono, Pietro F. Peretto, Alessandro Tarozzi, and Jacob Vigdor

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2020 to present Professor, Department of Economics, Howard University, Washington, DC USA

2017 to present Chair, Department of Economics, Howard University, Washington, DC USA

2016 to 2017 Associate Chair, Department of Economics, Howard University, Washington, DC USA

2016 to present Director of Graduate Studies Department of Economics, Howard University, Washington, DC USA

2013 to 2020 Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Howard University, Washington, DC USA

2007-2013 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Howard University, Washington, DC USA

- Intermediate Microeconomics (Econ 170)
- Intermediate Macroeconomics (Econ 171)
- Principles of Economics II (Econ 002)
- Introduction to Urban Economics-WRTG (Econ 799)
- Microeconomic Theory I (Formerly (Price Theory I) (Ecog 200)
- Freshman Seminar (Frsm 001)
- Economic Development in Africa (Ecog 224) & (Econ186)
- Workshop in Economic Research (Ecog 207)
- Microeconomic Theory II (Ecog 201)
- Junior Departmental Honors (Econ 088)
- Political Economy (Econ 132)

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE CONTINUED

- Summer 2010 &
Summer 2011 UNCF Special Programs Sophomore Summer Policy Institute, Howard University,
Washington, DC, USA
- Professor, Global Economics
- Summer 2007 Department of Economics, Duke University, Durham, NC USA
- Assistant Visiting Professor, Econometrics (Econ 239)
- 2006-2003 Department of Economics, Duke University, Durham, NC USA
- Instructor, Intermediate Microeconomics I (Econ 55)
 - TA, Intermediate Microeconomics I (Econ 55, 2 semesters)
 - TA, Economics of the Family (Econ 208)
 - TA, Mathematical Economics (Econ 276)
- Spring 2006 Department of Economics, Elon University, Elon, NC USA
- Instructor, Business Economics (Eco 301, 2 courses)
- Summer 2003 Department of Economics, Florida A & M University, Tallahassee, FL USA
- Instructor, Introductory Macroeconomics (Eco 2013)
 - Instructor, Introductory Microeconomics (Eco 2023)
 - Assistant Visiting Professor

HONORS, AWARDS, and DISTINCTIONS

Outstanding Tenured Associate or Full Professor , College of Arts and Sciences, Fall 2018 to Spring 2019

Inducted as member of International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi, Winter 2015

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. "Sigma Man of the Year" for the Alpha Sigma Chapter, Winter 2012

Summer Faculty Research Fellowship, Summer 2011

Inducted as honorary member of the Golden Key International Honour Society, Winter 2010

Diversity Initiative for Tenure in Economics (DITE) Fellow, Winter 2009

The Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in the Economics Profession (CSMGEP) dissertation award,
Winter 2008

Fund for Academic Excellence, Howard University, Fall 2008

New Faculty Start-Up Award, Howard University, Fall 2007

Institute of African American Research Dissertation Fellow at UNC-Chapel Hill, Fall 2006-Summer 2007

Black Caucus of the American Association for Higher Education Doctoral Student Award, Spring 2005

HONORS, AWARDS, and DISTINCTIONS CONTINUED

Duke Endowment Fellowship, Duke University, Fall 2001- Spring 2006

Society of Duke Fellows, Duke University, Fall 2001- Spring 2007

AEA Summer Program Graduate, Summer 2001

Distinguished Scholars Award, Florida A & M University, Fall 1998-Spring 2001

RESEARCH FUNDING

Omari H. Swinton (PI) , Haydar Kuban and William Spriggs (Co-PI), (2018) HBCU-UP/ EIR “Excellence in Research: A Comparison of Educational Outcomes at Institutions of Higher Education”, National Science Foundation, awarded (\$499,932) (Collaborative proposal with Jackson State University total amount funded \$998,688)

Omari H. Swinton (PI), William Spriggs and Gerald Daniels (CO-PI) AEA Summer Training program (2020) \$1,500,000

Omari H. Swinton (PI) Amazon AEA Summer Program (2020) \$135,000

WORKING PAPERS

"Economics Pipeline " with William A. Darity Jr. and Rhonda Vonshay Sharpe

“Baccalaureate Origins of Latino Doctorate Recipients 1976-2005: Analysis by Race and Gender” with William A. Darity Jr. and Rhonda Vonshay Sharpe

“Do Researchers Switch between Academia and Government/Industry?” with William A. Darity Jr. and Rhonda Vonshay Sharpe

“Estimating Occupation-Paths of the Highly Educated: Social Sciences Doctorates” with William A. Darity Jr. and Rhonda Vonshay Sharpe

“Returns to Education in the Presence of Uncertainty” with Andrew Hussey and Enrique Lopezlira

“Do Postdoctoral Fellowships Increase the Likelihood of Tenure?” with William A. Darity Jr. and Rhonda Vonshay Sharpe

“Spotlight for Stereotypes: Do Essence Magazine’s Articles Help to Dispel or Validate Negative Stereotypes of Black Women” with Danee'ta Shine

PUBLICATIONS

“50 Years of Power and the Influence of the National Economic Association: Black Economist Contributions to Economics Profession” *The Review of Black Political Economy* May 2020

“The Stability in Student Organizations over Time” with Benjamin V. Rosa and Gerald Daniels *The Journal of Campus Activities Practice and Scholarship*, Volume 2, Issue 1, Spring 2020

PUBLICATIONS CONTINUED

“Business Cycles and HBCU Appropriations” with Alberto Ortega, *Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy*, Volume 1, Issue 2-3, September 2018

“Historically Black Colleges And Universities And Hispanic-Serving Institutions Are A Rich Source For The Economics Pipeline” with Rhonda Vonshay Sharpe, *The MINORITY REPORT*, Volume 10, Winter 2018

“Noncognitive Ability, College Learning, and Student Retention” with John Grey, *The Journal of Negro Education*, Volume 86, Issue 1, 2017

“An “A” for Effort” *American Economic Review Papers & Proceedings*, Volume 105, issue 5, May 2015

“The Persistent Myths of “Acting White” and Race Neutral Alternatives to Affirmative Action in Admissions” with Rodney Andrews, *The Review of Black Political Economy*, Volume 41, Issue 3, September 2014,

“Introduction to Marcus Alexis Special Issue” with Margaret C. Simms *The Review of Black Political Economy*, Volume 41, Issue 3, September 2014

“Lab Attendance and Student Performance” with Kirk Adair *ISRN Education*, vol. 2012, Article ID 364176

“Diversity in Higher Education” with Rhonda Vonshay Sharpe *Encyclopedia of Race and Racism, 2nd edition*

“Beyond Antidotes: A Quantitative Examination of Black Women in Academe” with Rhonda Vonshay Sharpe *The Review of Black Political Economy*, Volume 39, Issue 3, September 2012,

“The Relative Returns To Graduating From A Historically Black College/University: Propensity Score Matching Estimates From the National Survey of Black Americans” with Greg A. Price and William Spriggs *The Review of Black Political Economy*, Volume 38, issue 2, 2011

“Estimating the *Ex Ante* Expected Returns to College” with Andrew Hussey, *American Economic Review Papers & Proceedings*, Volume 101, issue 3, May 2011

“The Effect of Effort Grading on Learning” *Economics of Education Review*, Volume 29, issue 6, 2010

“Explaining Cross-Racial Differences in Teenage Labor Force Participation: Results from a General Equilibrium Search Model” with Tom Ahn, Peter Arcidiacono, and Alvin Murphy *Journal of Econometrics*, Volume 156, issue 1, 2010

The State of Blacks in Higher Education with William A. Darity Jr. and Rhonda Vonshay Sharpe, final report for National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education. Silver Spring, 2009

“Grading for Effort: The Success Equals Effort Policy at Benedict College” *The Review of Black Political Economy*, Volume 34, issue 1, 2007

CONFERENCE OR INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Allied Social Science Associations, San Diego, CA Winter 2020, “NEA Presidential Address

CONFERENCE OR INVITED PRESENTATIONS CONTINUED

Pipeline Conference, Lansing, MI, Summer 2019 “Increasing Diversity in the Economics Profession.”

New School for Social Research, The Future of Economics in the United States: Potential and Pitfalls, New York, NY, Summer 2019, “Revitalizing interest in Econ 101 Public discourse”

George Washington University, School of Public Policy, Spring 2019 “Excellence in Research: A Comparison of Educational Outcomes at Institutions of Higher Education”

Allied Social Science Associations, Atlanta, GA Winter 2019, “What's Next? Moving Beyond Research Results to an Inclusive Classroom” panelist

Southern Economic Association, Washington, DC, Fall 2018, “Business Cycles and the Allocation of Higher Education Appropriations”

Allied Social Science Associations, San Francisco, CA, Winter 2016, “Do Postdoctoral Fellowships Increase the Likelihood of Tenure?”

Allied Social Science Associations, Boston, MA, Winter 2015, “An “A” for Effort: Student Retention and Graduation”

National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education, Washington, DC Spring 2012, “The State of America’s Black Colleges”

Allied Social Science Associations, Chicago, IL, Winter 2012, “Leaks or Alternatives: An Examination of the Pipeline for Black Economists”

2011 Faculty Retreat, Washington, DC Spring 2011, “The Relative Returns To Graduating From A Historically Black College/University: Propensity Score Matching Estimates From the National Survey of Black Americans”

Allied Social Science Associations, Denver, CO, Winter 2011, “Estimating the *Ex Ante* Expected Returns to College”

Southern Economics Association, Atlanta, GA Fall 2010, “Estimating the *Ex Ante* Expected Returns to College”

Pipeline Conference, Santa Barbara, CA, Summer 2010, panel “Professional etiquette in academic departments”

Southern Economics Association, San Antonio, TX, Fall 2009, “Do Postdoctoral Fellowships Increase the Likelihood of Tenure?”

Rethinking Admissions, Wake Forest University, Winston Salem, NC, Winter 2009, “Noncognitive Ability, College Learning, and Student Retention”

CONFERENCE OR INVITED PRESENTATIONS CONTINUED

Southern Economics Association, Washington, DC, Fall 2008, “Baccalaureate Origins of Latino Doctorate Recipients 1976-2005”

Research Network on Racial and Ethnic Inequality, Durham, NC, Fall 2008, “Do Postdoctoral Fellowships Increase the Likelihood of Tenure?”

SRS Workshop, Arlington, VA, Fall 2008, “Do Postdoctoral Fellowships Increase the Likelihood of Tenure?”

National Association for Equal opportunity in Higher Education (HBCU Week), Fall 2008, Washington, DC, keynote address “The State of Blacks in Higher Education 2008”

Pipeline Conference, Santa Barbara, CA, Summer 2008, keynote address “Obstacles to Faculty Diversity: What We Know about Diversity and Career Paths”

Pipeline Conference, Santa Barbara, CA, Summer 2008, panelist on panel entitled “A Guide to Achieving Tenure”

Allied Social Science Associations, New Orleans, LA, Winter 2008, “Noncognitive Ability, College Learning, and Student Retention”

Allied Social Science Associations, New Orleans, LA, Winter 2008, “Do Researchers Switch between Academia and Government/Industry?”

Toward a Transformative Agenda Around Race, Columbus, OH, Fall 2007, panelist on panel entitled “Racial Wealth Inequality and Alternative Strategies”

Southern Economic Association, New Orleans, LA, Fall 2007, “Noncognitive Ability, College Learning, and Student Retention”

Research Network on Racial and Ethnic Inequality, Durham, NC, Fall 2007, “Obstacles to Faculty Diversity”

SRS Workshop, Arlington, VA, Fall 2007, “Do Postdoctoral Fellowships Increase the Likelihood of Tenure?”

Pipeline Conference, Durham, NC, Summer 2007, “Noncognitive Ability, College Learning, and Student Retention”

Pipeline Conference, Durham, NC, Summer 2006, “The Effect of Effort Grading on Learning”

Western Economics Association, Summer 2006, “The Effect of Effort Grading on Learning”

Institute for Research on Poverty, Madison, WI, Summer 2005, “Explaining Cross-Racial Differences in Teenage Labor Force Participation: Results from a General Equilibrium Search Model”

American Association for Higher Education, Spring 2005, “An ‘A’ for Effort: Does More Effort Mean More Content Learned?”

SERVICE**University Wide****Dates**

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|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Faculty Welfare Committee | 2018 to 2019 |
| Prioritization Task Force | 2017 to present |
| Frederick Douglass Scholarship | 2017 |
| Academic Advisor for Omicron Delta Epsilon | 2016 to 2017 |
| Academic Advisor for The Society of Collegiate Black Men | 2015 to 2018 |
| Periodic Review Report Taskforce | 2014 to 2015 |
| Faculty Award Judge | 2012 |
| Undergraduate Studies / General Studies Committee | 2011 to 2015 |
| Student Activities Fee Committee | 2011 to 2018 |
| Student Affairs Learning Cohorts | 2010 |
| Leadership Alliance SR-EIP | 2009 |
| Faculty Retreat Committee | 2009 |
| Mellon Interdisciplinary Research Course Design Work Team | 2008-2010 |
| FFAE Advisory Committee | 2007 |

College of Arts and Sciences Committees**Dates**

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Division Chair: Social Sciences | 2018 to present |
| Assessment Committee | 2017 to present |
| COAS Research Council | 2012 to 2018 |
| Freshman Seminar Committee | 2010 to 2014 |
| Faculty Research Group | 2008 to 2013 |
| Symposium on Undergraduate Research | 2008 to 2013 |

Department of Economics**Dates**

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| Chair of Economics Department | 2017 to present |
| Expository Writing exam committee | 2017 to present |
| Director of Graduate Studies | 2016 to present |
| Interim Associate Chair of Economics Department | 2016 to 2017 |
| Assessment Committee | 2015 to present |
| APT Committee | 2014 to present |
| Job Placement Coordinator | 2012 to 2014 |
| Department Speaker Committee | 2009 to 2014 |
| Curriculum Committee | 2009 to present |
| Executive Committee | 2009 to present |
| Undergraduate Studies Committee | 2009 to present |
| Comprehensive Exam Committees | 2009 to present |
| Student Advisement Committee | 2009 to present |
| ODE Dinner Committee | 2009 |
| Search Committee | 2009, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017 |
| Chair Search Advisory Committee | 2009 |

| Professional | Dates |
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| Past President, National Economic Association | 2020 to present |
| 3 Panel Review, National Science Foundation | 2019 |
| President, National Economic Association | 2019 to 2020 |
| 2 Panel Review, National Science Foundation | 2018 |
| President Elect, National Economic Association | 2018 to 2019 |
| Panel Review, National Science Foundation | 2017 |
| Ph.D. Completion Retreat Presenter | 2016 |
| Panel Review, National Science Foundation | 2016 |
| Panel Review, National Science Foundation | 2016 |
| Liaison, CSWEP | 2015 to present |
| Economics and Entrepreneurship, The Black upStart | 2015, 2016 |
| NPSAS:16 TRP Technical Review Panel Meeting, NCES | 2015 |
| Researcher in the Center on Race and Wealth | 2014 to 2015 |
| NPSAS:16 TRP Technical Review Panel Meeting, NCES | 2014 |
| Human Resources Statistics Experts Panel, National Science Foundation | 2014 |
| Associate Director, Diversity Initiative for Tenure in Economics (DITE) | 2013 to present |
| Board of Directors, Phi Beta Sigma FCU | 2013 to present |
| Faculty Assessment Fellow | 2013 to 2014 |
| Guest Editor of Special Edition of the Review of Black Political Economy | 2013 to 2014 |
| Reviewed Intermediate Microeconomics textbook | 2013 to 2014 |
| Board of Directors, National Economics Association | 2010 to 2016 |
| Marcus Alexis Planning Committee | 2010 to 2014 |
| Panel Review, National Science Foundation | 2009 |
| Referee Work: Applied Economics, Review of Black Political Economy, Eastern Economic Journal, Economics of Education Review, Empirical Economics, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, International Review of Economics Education, and Journal of Economic Education | 2009 to present |
| Professional Development | Dates |
| Distance-Learning Certification | 2020 |
| Blackboard Certification | 2020 |
| Customer Service Training | 2018 |
| IASI Assessment Seminar | 2013, 2016 |
| Sponsored Research Certification Program | 2011, 2014 |
| CCSI Suicide Prevention Seminar | 2011 |
| Media Training | 2011 |
| At Risk: Identifying and Referring Students in Mental Distress | 2010 |
| CA06 Building a Digital Portfolio | 2010 |
| WC12 Discouraging Plagiarism | 2010 |
| WCSI Writing Across the Curriculum Seminar | 2010 |
| ICPSR Workshop | 2009 |
| IDO1 Designing Syllabi | 2008, 2012, 2014 |
| CITI Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative | 2008, 2012 |

STUDENT SUPERVISION

Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. Marcy Jagdeo**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2020

Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. Hisham Alhawal**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2020

Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. Alireza Montemni**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2020

Ph.D Dissertation Supervisor, **Dr. Bintou Lingani**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Fall 2019

Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. Christopher Lucas**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Summer 2019

Ph.D Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. John-Harold Ahiable**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Summer 2019

Ph.D Dissertation Supervisor, **Dr. Amira Alghumgham**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2019

Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. Osama AlFalsh**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2019

Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. Majed Almozaini**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2019

Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. Najla Alzamil**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2019

Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. Lamia Shesha**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Fall 2018

Ph.D Dissertation Supervisor, **Dr. Enrique Lopezlira**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2018

Ph.D Dissertation Supervisor, **Dr. Lakitquana Leal**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2018

Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. John Leukton**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2018

Ph.D Dissertation Chair, **Dr. Isaiah Okiemen**, Economics Department, Howard University, Graduated Spring 2018

STUDENT SUPERVISION CONTINUED

Ph.D Dissertation Committee Member, **Dr. Camelia Sadler**, School of Education, Howard University,
Graduated Fall 2016

MA Thesis Committee Member, **Ms. Jasmine Boatner**, Economics Department, Howard University,
Graduated Spring 2016

MA Thesis Committee Member, **Ms. Winnie Wakaba** , Economics Department, Howard University,
Graduated Spring 2016

Ph.D Dissertation Committee Member, **Dr. Judy Mulusa**, Economics Department, Howard University,
Graduated Spring 2013