

Curriculum Vitae

Shonda K. Lawrence, Ph.D., LMSW, MS

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work, the University of Illinois at Chicago, Jane Addams College of Social Work, August 2002

Master of Social Work, the University of Illinois at Chicago, Jane Addams College of Social Work, May 1996

Master of Science in Corrections/Criminal Justice, Chicago State University, May 1988

Bachelor of Science in Law Enforcement Administration, Western Illinois University, December 1984

LICENSURES AND CERTIFICATIONS

Licensed Master Social Worker #MSW008073, Georgia Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Division, (October 10, 2017 - present).

Licensed Master Social Worker #M9066, Mississippi State Board of Examiners, (May 12, 2017 - April 30, 2020).

Licensed Master Social Worker #4295G, Alabama Board of Social Work Examiners, (September 7, 2017 - September 30, 2020).

Adolescent SBIRT Certification, University of Chicago, NORC, (June 26, 2016 - Present).

Certified Online Instructor, Clark Atlanta University, tTEC Online Teaching Certification (March 18, 2019 - Present).

Certified Online Instructor, Jacksonville State University, (May 5, 2017 – August 2018).

JSUOnline Certified Online Instructor, Jackson State University, (November 2012- August 2016).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1/03/2023 to present **Associate Professor**, Governors State University,
University Park, Illinois 60484

The main responsibilities of this position are duties related to teaching, research, and university service.

8/1/2020 to 12/31/2022 **Ph.D. Program Director**, Associate Professor
(Tenured), Clark Atlanta University, Whitney M. Young, Jr., School of Social Work

The responsibilities of the director encompass all duties related to the administrative oversight of the Doctor of Philosophy of Social Work program. These duties include, but are not limited to, curriculum revision, hiring, supervision of personnel, faculty evaluations, fundraising, advising, research, service, and teaching.

8/1/2020 to 12/31/2022 **Center for Social Reform, Equity, and
Innovation Director**, Clark Atlanta University, Whitney M. Young, Jr., School of
Social Work

The responsibilities of the director encompass all duties related to the administrative oversight of the Center. Duties include the development and review of proposed programs, identification of research focus, funding strategies and opportunities, evaluation of strategic plans, and recommendation of cross-disciplinary and trans-institutional collaboration between scholars, practitioners, change agents, and the community.

8/6/2018 to 7/31/2020 **BSW Program Director**, Associate Professor,
Clark Atlanta University, Whitney M. Young, Jr., School of Social Work

The responsibilities of the director encompass all duties related to the administrative oversight of the Bachelor of Social Work program. These duties include, but are not limited to, revision of the undergraduate program curriculum, hiring, supervision of personnel, faculty evaluations, fundraising, serving as faculty advisor for the student association, advising, research, service, and teaching.

8/2016 to 8/1/2018 **MSW Program Coordinator**, Associate Professor,
Jacksonville State University, Department of Sociology and Social Work

The responsibilities of the Coordinator encompass all duties related to the administrative oversight of the Master of Social Work program. The main responsibilities of this position are duties related to teaching, research, and university service.

8/2015 – 8/2016 **Graduate Programs Chair**, Associate Professor

Jackson State University, School of Social Work, MSW and Ph.D. Programs

The responsibilities of the Chair encompass all duties related to the administrative oversight of the Master of Social Work and Doctor of Philosophy programs. These duties include, but are not limited to, revision of graduate program curriculums, hiring, supervision of personnel, faculty evaluations, fundraising, advising, research, service, and teaching.

8/1/2014- 7/2015

BSW Program Chair, Associate Professor

7/2013 – 8/1/2014

Interim BSW Program Director, Assistant Professor

Jackson State University, School of Social Work, BSW Program

The responsibilities of the Chair/Director encompass all duties related to the administrative oversight of the Bachelor of Social Work program. These duties include, but are not limited to, revision of the undergraduate program curriculum, hiring, supervision of personnel, faculty evaluations, fundraising, serving as faculty advisor for student association, advising, research, service, and teaching.

8/2013 – 2016

Institute Associate, Jackson State University,

Institute of Government

Provide expertise for projects, meetings, research, etc. through contractual work with persons and entities outside the University community identified as partnering with the Institute of Government for a needed service.

8/2012 – 6/2013

Assistant Professor, Jackson State University,

School of Social Work, MSW Program

The main responsibilities of this position are duties related to teaching, research, and university service.

1/2009-4/2010

Executive Assistant to the President, Chicago

State University, Office of the President

Provided executive-level support to the University president in articulating and implementing the university's vision and mission, facilitating initiatives, addressing challenges and opportunities, enhancing campus and community relations and fostering organizational development; advised on policy, organizational development, and shared governance; participated in the integrating of budgeting, planning and continuous improvements by connecting budget allocations and reallocations to measurable outcomes as a member of Chicago State University, Finance Committee; served as fiscal officer on budgets associated with the administration of the President's office, reviewed and approved all contracts, budget change forms, direct payment vouchers, and purchase orders submitted to the President's office for signature; participated in a strategic planning process under the direction of the President and consultant as a

member of the Chicago State University, 21st Century Planning Committee; collaborated on the development and implementation of policies/procedures related to university functioning as a member of the President's Executive Council; assessed, evaluated, referred, and resolved all student, staff and faculty issues presented to the Office of the President; used institutional data as the basis for decision making; defined and promoted university/college initiatives through research; Co-Chair of the University-wide Special Events Committee responsible for planning commencement, all student activities related to commencement, and any other special events; participated in curriculum development, oversight of academic programs, and all enrollment, retention and graduation efforts as a member of the Provost Council.

2007- 12/2008 **Assistant Professor**, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Social Work

The main responsibilities of this position were duties related to teaching, research, and university service. Served on the Master of Social Work Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Social Work, and provided oversight of curriculum development, academic programs, and all enrollment, retention and graduation efforts; served on the College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Social Work, BSW Committee looking at curriculum development and enrollment, retention and graduation rates; served as the Faculty Advisor for the College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Social Work, Phi Alpha Honor Society. The organization promotes academic excellence, and goals and ideals of humanitarianism; served on the Black Heritage Committee. Developed and moderated session recorded as having the largest student participation at an academic session since programming the month-long event was implemented; served as faculty advisor; re-established the National Association of Black Social Work Student Associations on the campus.

2006-2007 **Assistant Professor**, Jackson State University, School of Social Work, Ph.D. Program; **2003-2005 Assistant Professor**, Jackson State University, School of Social Work, BSW Program; **Summer, 2004 Acting Director**, Jackson State University, School of Social Work, BSW Program

The responsibilities of the Acting Director included the administrative oversight of the Bachelor of Social Work program. The main responsibilities of the assistant professor position were duties related to teaching, research, and university service. Co-Chaired the School of Social Work Education Policy and Accreditation Standards Committee, Social Work Curriculum Research Content Area; served on the Faculty Policies and Procedures Manual Revision Committee; Developed search committee evaluation tools for rating faculty candidates; served on the Southern Institute for Mental Health Advocacy, Research, and Training Research Conference Steering Committee; served on the School of Social Work, PhD Admissions Committee; served on the School of Social Work, Library Journal Review Ad Hoc Committee; served on the School of Social

Work, BSW Program, Curriculum Committee; served on the School of Social Work, Research Committee; served on the School of Social Work, Technology Committee; served on the School of Social Work, Search Committee (s); served as faculty advisor to the BSW and PhD programs in social work; supervised, monitored and worked with students in planning a trip to Chicago to attend the Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting; doctoral students facilitated a regional conference for doctoral student research presentations; participated in the College of Public Service, School of Social Work Teaching Across School Curriculums Committee which examined, developed and implemented a cross cultural approach to curriculum development; served on the College of Public Service Selection Committee, Rockefeller Brothers Fund Fellowship for Students of Color Entering the Teaching Profession Program; served as the Freshman Class Sponsor for Class of 2005.

Fall 1998 **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Jane Addams College of Social Work, the University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

The main responsibilities of this position were duties related to teaching. Taught Introduction to Social Work. Responsible for teaching undergraduate students, advising, grading, and monitoring of student progress.

Nov. 1, 1996-2003 **Project Coordinator**, Jane Addams Center for Social Policy and Research

Coordinated projects, research, seminars, etc. associated with the Center. Processed and monitored all research protocols submitted by faculty and doctoral students to IRB. Supervised graduate research assistants and support staff. Conducted research.

Aug 15 – Oct 30, 1996 **Research Assistant**, the University of Illinois at Chicago, Jane Addams Center for Social Policy and Research.

Coordinated projects, research, seminars, etc. associated with the Center. Provided research support to the Dean of the College.

1995-1997 **Social Worker**, Ingalls Memorial Hospital

Conducted initial patient/family assessment on every inpatient to determine psychosocial needs and discharge plans; provided counseling to patient/family; performed responsibility of discharge planning coordinator; participated in patient/family education; participated as a member of the interdisciplinary team; assumed the role of case coordinator for inpatients and performed administrative duties and responsibilities.

1995-1996
Chicago, IL

Administrative Intern, Cook County Juvenile Court,

Formulated and analyzed policies, reorganized support staff department, screened for new personnel, formulated job descriptions and performance appraisals, developed recommendations for organizational design and change, managed personnel, and worked with information systems.

1990-1996
Chicago, IL.

Probation Officer, Cook County Juvenile Court,

Monitored the progress of court wards under private guardianship and/or minors adjudicated delinquent; developed and implemented permanency and/or treatment plan; connected family and minor with supportive services; filed supplemental petitions for return to parent(s), change of plan, appointment of a new guardian, termination of parental rights; filed petitions of satisfactory and unsatisfactory probation status; and made recommendations to juvenile court judges.

1989

Case Manager, Lutheran Child and Family Services, Provided foster care services, home-based services, individual and family counseling, and family life education. Developed and implemented treatment plans and connected family and minor with supportive services.

1989

Case Manager, Bobby E. Wright Comprehensive Behavioral Health Center, Chicago, IL.
Provided mental health services to youth under the age of 18. Developed and implemented treatment plans and connected family and minor with supportive services.

1987-1989
Springfield, IL.

Research/Appropriations Analyst, Illinois House of

Analyzed bills introduced by state representatives; maintained close contact with the legislative liaison of assigned agencies; tracked proposed legislation; and made budget recommendations for all Illinois colleges and universities and Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.

1987-1988 **Constituent Liaison**, State Representative Mary E. Flowers, 31st District, Chicago, IL.

Supported district office's needs related to legislation, communication, public relations and attended constituent-related affairs, and meetings for the benefit and quality of life of all constituents.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2021 **Participant**, Howard University, Howard Law Town Hall Meeting, "Attack on the Capital: Where do we go from here?", Virtual.

2020 **Participant**, CAU, Online Course Peer Review

2020 **Participant**, 2020 National Workshop on Data Science Education, UC Berkeley, Virtual.

2020 **Participant**, Justice for All: Pandemic Response to Incarcerated Populations, Community-Campus Partnerships for Health and UNC Center for Health Equity Research, Virtual.

2015 **Participant**, American Council on Education (ACE) Leadership Academy for Department Chairs, La Jolla, CA.

2015 **Participant**, Child Abuse Studies Certified Training

2012-2014 **First Cohort Member**, Health Disparities Research Training Program (Competitive Selection).

2012-2013 **First Cohort Member**, Academy for Research and Scholarly Engagement (Competitive Selection).

2009 **AASCU – Millennium Leadership Initiative Protégé**, Washington, D.C. (Competitive Selection).

RECOGNITION AWARDS/HONORS

2017 **Faculty Spotlight**, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, Alabama.

2016 **Appointed** to University's Blue-Ribbon Educational Excellence Committee. Jackson State University

2015 **Appointed** to the Madison Campus Program Committee. Jackson State University.

2013-2014 **Faculty Excellence Award**, Faculty Honoree, Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi

2010-2011 **Hall of Fame Inductee**, Hillcrest High School Alumni, Country Club Hills, Illinois

2006 **Faculty Honoree** Higher Education Appreciation Day – Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE), Mississippi State Legislature, Jackson, Mississippi

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, GA, Planned Change in Complex Organizations, Spring 2021

Clark Atlanta University, BSW Program, Atlanta, GA, Data Science and the African Diaspora, Spring 2021

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, GA, Dissertation Research, Spring 2021

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, GA, Organizational Development, Fall 2020

Clark Atlanta University, BSW Program, Atlanta, GA, Social Work with Diverse Population, Fall 2020

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, GA, Dissertation Research, Fall 2020

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, GA, Dissertation Consultation, Fall 2020

Clark Atlanta University, BSW Program, Atlanta, GA, Social Work Theory, Fall 2019

Clark Atlanta University, BSW Program, Atlanta, GA, First-Year Seminar, Fall 2019

Clark Atlanta University, BSW Program, Atlanta, GA, Field Instruction, Spring 2019

Clark Atlanta University, BSW Program, Atlanta, GA, Field Instruction Seminar, Spring 2019

Clark Atlanta University, BSW Program, Atlanta, GA, First-Year Seminar, Spring 2019

Clark Atlanta University, BSW Program, Atlanta, GA, Statistics & Methods of Social Research II: Social Work Research, Fall 2018

Clark Atlanta University, BSW Program, Atlanta, GA, Writing for Social Work, Fall 2018

Jacksonville State University, MSW Program, Anniston, AL, Cultural Competence for Generalist Practice, Fall 2017

Jacksonville State University, MSW Program, Anniston, AL, Generalist Practice with Organizations and Communities, Spring 2018

Jacksonville State University, BSW Program, Anniston, AL, Cultural Diversity & Social Justice, Fall 2016, Spring 2017

Jacksonville State University, BSW Program, Anniston, AL, Social Policy and Services, Spring 2017

Jacksonville State University, BSW Program, Anniston, AL, Social Work Research, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Spring 2018

Jackson State University, BSW Program, Social Work Field Practicum, Fall 2014

Jackson State University, BSW Program, Independent Study, Spring 2014

Jackson State University, PhD Program, Independent Study, Spring 2014

Jackson State University, BSW Program, Social Work Values and Ethics, Spring 2014

Jackson State University, BSW Program, Professional Development and Licensure Preparation for Social Workers, Fall 2013

Jackson State University, MSW Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Research Methods I, Spring 2013

Jackson State University, BSW Program, Human Behavior I, Fall 2012

Jackson State University, MSW Program, Intervention with Children and Families, Fall 2012

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, BSW Program, Research Methods, Fall 2008.

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, MSW Program, Research Methods & Descriptive Statistics, Fall 2008

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, MSW Program, Fields of Practice: Child & Family Services, Spring 2008

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, MSW Program, Research Methods, Spring 2008

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, BSW Program, Diversity and Issues of Social and Economic Justice, Fall 2007, Spring 2008

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, MSW Program, Advanced Practice with Children and Families, Fall 2007, Fall 2008

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, MSW Program, Human Behavior in the Social Environment, Fall 2007

Jackson State University, Ph.D. Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Independent Study, 2005-2007

Jackson State University, PhD Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Research Practicum, 2005-2007

Jackson State University, PhD Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Dissertation, 2005-2007

Jackson State University, PhD Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Research Methods I, Fall 2006

Jackson State University, MSW Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Research Methods I, Spring 2007

Jackson State University, MSW Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Social Welfare Policy and Services I, Fall 2005

Jackson State University, BSW Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Social Work Values and Ethics, 2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2005-2006, 2006-2007

Jackson State University, BSW Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Social Welfare Policy I, Spring 2004, Spring 2005, Spring 2006, Spring 2007

Jackson State University, BSW Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Research Methods in Social Work, 2006-2007

Jane Addams College of Social Work, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois:

Introduction to Social Work, 1998

DISSERTATIONS

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, Georgia: Dissertation Chair, Sparkles Ransom, 2020 to completion (Graduation May 2023)

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, Georgia: Dissertation Chair, Naynette Kennett, 2018 to completion (Graduation December 2020)

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, Georgia: Dissertation Chair, Maxine Flood, 2018 to completion (Graduation December 2019)

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, Georgia: Dissertation Chair, Camille Cochran, 2020 to 2022

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, Georgia: Dissertation Chair, Brittanee Jones, 2020 to 2022

Clark Atlanta University, Ph.D. Program, Atlanta, Georgia: Dissertation Chair, Antoinette Milton-Johnson, 2018 to 2020.

Jackson State University, Ph.D. Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Dissertation Chair, Karen Roberson, 2013 to completion (Graduation Spring 2016).

Jackson State University, Ph.D. Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Dissertation Chair, Turenza Smith, 2013 to completion (Graduation Spring 2016).

Jackson State University, Ph.D. Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Dissertation Chair, Timothy Neyland, 2012 to completion (Graduation Spring 2014).

Jackson State University, Ph.D. Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Dissertation Chair, Cynthia Honore-Collins, 2003 to completion (Graduation Spring 2006).

Jackson State University, Ph.D. Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Dissertation Committee member, Bradley Thomas, 2013 to completion Spring 2017.

Jackson State University, Ph.D. Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Dissertation Committee Member, Cheri Holbrook, 2003 to completion Spring 2005.

Jackson State University, Ph.D. Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Dissertation Committee Member, Andre Lewis, Jackson State University, 2003-2005, ABD.

Jackson State University, Ph.D. Program, Jackson, Mississippi: Dissertation Committee Member, Tanya Edwards, 2013 to 2017.

NON-CREDIT INSTRUCTION

Faculty Mentor, Nathaniel Currie, Assistant Professor, (January 2021 to present). Clark Atlanta University.

Faculty Mentor, Shena Brown, Assistant Professor, (January 2021 to 2023). Clark Atlanta University.

Faculty Mentor, Gerry White, Assistant Professor, (August 2020 to 2023). Clark Atlanta University.

Faculty Mentor, Shadonna Davis, Assistant Professor, (August 2019 to 2023). Clark Atlanta University.

Faculty Mentor, Joi Showell, Assistant Professor (January 2019 – 2020). Clark Atlanta University

Faculty/Student Mentor, Malik Cooper, Graduate/Teaching Assistant, (August 2018 to 2023). Clark Atlanta University.

Faculty Mentor, Jessie Scott, Undergraduate & Graduate Student Research Symposium: Poster Presentation, (March 25-29, 2019). Clark Atlanta University.

Faculty Mentor, Kristie Lipford, Assistant Professor, Rhodes College (August 2014 – Present).

Faculty Mentor, Carlette Lockett, Assistant Professor, Richland College (October 1, 2016 - Present).

Faculty Mentor, Jacqueline Trask, Assistant Professor, Jacksonville State University (October 1, 2016 – August 1, 2018).

Faculty Mentor, Reagan Huff, Student Research Symposium, (February 14-16, 2018). Jacksonville State University.

Faculty Mentor, Sawyer Vernon, Student Research Symposium, (February 14-16, 2018). Jacksonville State University.

Certification, Adolescent SBIRT Training Program, Motivational Interviewing: A Patient Centered Approach, 28 participants. (November 27, 2017) Jacksonville State University.

Certification, Adolescent SBIRT Training Program, 107 participants (March 10, 2017). Jacksonville State University.

Guest Lecture, Tips for Applying to Graduate School, 10 participants (October 2016). Jacksonville State University.

Faculty Advisor, Domestic Awareness Month Forum, the Bachelor of Social Work Student Association (October 2014).

Faculty Advisor, the Blueprint Mississippi Social Business Challenge, JSU Innovate Center (November 12, 2014).

Faculty Mentor, Kristie Squire, NIMH-COR Honors Research Program, BSW Student, Jackson State University, (2004-2005).

Faculty Mentor, Candace Hamilton, Ronald E. McNair Honors Research Program, BSW Student, Jackson State University (2004-2005).

Research Supervisor, Brenda Thomas, Praxis Summer Internship Funding Program, Undergraduate Student, Smith College Northampton, MA at Jackson State University (2004).

PROGRAM/CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT (Examples)

2020-2021 Clark Atlanta University (Ph.D. Program)

- Curriculum review/mapping
- Course description revision
- Student handbook revision
- Creation of dissertation packet to include required forms, dissertation process, student and faculty expectations, and dissertation logistics.
- Creation of dissertation progress report guidelines
- Revision to approval form for transfer credits
- Curriculum revisions submitted to curriculum committees for approval and implementation for fall 2021.
- Revision of Comprehensive Examination policy and process
- Creation of scholarship page on CANVAS for Ph.D. social work students

2018-2020 Clark Atlanta University (BSW Program)

- Trained BSW faculty on curriculum review/mapping.
- Developed and implemented 15-Step Process for BSW Program Curriculum Mapping to include textbook review, syllabus revision, course description reviews and alignment with student learning outcomes and textbook.
- Presided over BSW Program Meetings every Monday September 2018 to April 2019 to address curriculum issues to include inputting all course assignments in the curriculum map, review of each course, identification legitimization of the

number of assignments, identification duplicate assignments, identification of course that could be conducted as classroom activities, identification of significance/relevance of course assignments to preparation for generalist social work practice, elimination of assignments not aligned with course description and student learning outcomes, identification of two major assignments with the option to select a third with justification for inclusion and identification of curriculum gaps.

- Developed new diversity course - CUSW 361: SW with Diverse Populations.
- Curriculum submitted, revised, and approved for implementation Fall 2019.
- Oversight and implementation of Title III funded Writing Intervention project in two Writing for Social Work courses.
- Oversight and implementation Title III funded Incorporation of Nvivo in BSW Curriculum project in two research courses.
- Completed revision of BSW Handbook.
- Created Competency Rubric
- Began preparation of faculty for writing of self-study document.

2020-2021 Clark Atlanta University - AUC Data Science Initiative

- Developed undergraduate introductory data science and the African Diaspora course with team members from Spelman and Morehouse. Pilot course implemented Spring 2021.

2020-2018 Clark Atlanta University - AUC Data Science Initiative

- Developed undergraduate introductory data science course with team members from Spelman and Morehouse.

2018-2021 Clark Atlanta University - AUC Data Science Initiative

- Developing graduate introductory data science with a focus on social work and education disciplines with team members from CAU. Pilot course to be implemented Fall 2021.

2016-2018 Jacksonville State University

- Completed revision of MSW Handbook.

- Lead on the development of a hybrid MSW program.
- Collaborated with Dean on CSWE (accrediting body) EPAS 2015 program candidacy requirements. Acted as lead MSW faculty for development and submission of required documents for the candidacy of the new program.
- Developed online social work simulations for licensure preparation for MSW students.

2012-2016

Jackson State University

- Lead on the School of Social Work Five Year Strategic Plan document
- Created and implemented Licensure Preparation course for the community to generate funds for the School of Social Work
- Created Gerontology Certification Program for the community to generate funds for the School of Social Work
- Developed, led, and implemented an articulation agreement with Holmes Community College for a 2 + 2 program. Increased the number of course offerings at Holmes Community College from four to nine in the second year of implementation.
- Created Interdisciplinary Research Team including programs across the University including Social Work, Psychology, Criminal Justice, Education, Urban Regional Planning, Public Policy, and non-profit community organizations to write for grant funding.
- Chaired the School of Social Work Red Carpet Gala-4/11/15. Raised over \$6,000 for student scholarships/professional development awards
- Developed and implemented a targeted study abroad program for undergraduate social work. Twelve social work students participated in the initiative traveling to Paris.
- The Bachelor of Social Work program reviewed and revised the field placement requirement. The number of hours required to graduate was decreased from 500 to 420 hours keeping in line with the number of hours required by the Council on Social Work Education, our accrediting body.
- The BSW program Increased the number of courses available for online instruction from five to thirteen to give students more options.

- The Bachelor of Social Work program reviewed and revised the entire curriculum to revitalize the program and program offerings. The addition of pertinent social work electives and the removal of course prerequisites for some courses now allow freshmen to be introduced to Social Work earlier in their curriculum. One such example is Human Diversity and Social Justice. This course can be taken by any JSU student toward fulfilling their core curriculum social science requirement.

FUNDED RESEARCH

2022-2024 **Principal Investigator**, Georgia Resilience and Opportunity Fund, Appalachian State University- Sub-Award, **(Funded)** \$92,789 (Jun1 2022 – June 30, 2024).

2021 **Co-Principal Investigator**, (J. Fidel Turner, Co-PI), Data Science and K-12 Education, AUC Data Science Initiative Mini-Grant, **(Funded)** \$3,000 (June 1 - August 30, 2021).

2020 **Project Coordinator**, Rental Assistance Program **(Funded – Subcontract: Student Stipends Only)**, \$10,000 (November 1 – December 31, 2020).

2019 **Principal Investigator**, Incorporating Data Science in Social Work: Making Sense of the Numbers **(Funded - Clark Atlanta University, UNCF-CPI Grant)**, \$5,000 (May15, 2019 – July 31, 2019).

2018 **Administrator**, Student Writing Contest on Domestic Violence **(Funded - Bobbi Kristina Foundation Grant)**, \$500 (October 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018).

2018 **Co- Principal Investigator**, JSU Social Work Program and Health Services Center Service-Learning Project, (Funded - Jacksonville State University), \$3,000 (March 15, 2018 - September 30, 2019).

2017 **Co- Principal Investigator**, "Social Work Simulations," **(Funded - Jacksonville State University)**, \$2,000.00. (March 15, 2017- May 2018)

2017 **Principal Investigator**, "Facilitating Success: Interviews with Women Formerly Involved with the Criminal Justice System," **(Funded - Jacksonville State University)**, \$3,000.00. (March 15, 2017 - September 30, 2018).

- 2016** **Principal Investigator**, Integrating Adolescent Substance Abuse Screening, Brief Intervention and Treatment (SBIRT) throughout Social Work and Nursing School Education - Jacksonville State University (**Funded - Conrad N. Hilton Foundation**), \$5,000. (September 1, 2016 – December 31, 2017).
- 2015** **Principal Investigator**, Integrating Adolescent Substance Abuse Screening, Brief Intervention and Treatment (SBIRT) throughout Social Work Curriculum - Jackson State University. (**Funded - Conrad N. Hilton Foundation**). \$10,000 (September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2016).
- 2016** **Slade, P. (PI) & Lawrence, S. (PC)** 2016 UNCF Career Pathways Initiative: School of Social Work Licensure Preparation Course/Child Abuse Studies Training Planning **Grant (Funded – United Negro College Fund)**. \$150,000
- 2007** **Brown, V. (PI) & Lawrence, S. (Co-PI)**, Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville, Permanency Enhancement Project (**Funded – Illinois Department of Children and Family Services**), \$250,000.
- 2006** **Principal Investigator**, Maternal Incarceration and Child Welfare System Involvement Among Adolescent Girls (**Funded – Southern Institute of Mental Health, Advocacy and Training, NIMH**) \$3,000
- 2005** **Co-Investigator**, The Resilience to and Coping with Hurricanes Katrina and Rita: A Cross-Campus Survey (**Funded – Southern Institute of Mental Health, Advocacy and Training, NIMH**) \$3,000
- 2005** **Principal Investigator**, Men Perceptions of Father Roles and Father Involvement (**Funded – Southern Institute of Mental Health, Advocacy and Training, NIMH**) \$3,000
- 2004** **Research Associate**, Modernizing the University Curriculum with Transcultural Triangularity Research Project (**Funded - Jackson State University**).
- 2003** **Project Coordinator**, Evaluation of Jane’s House Project, A Community Alternative for Incarcerated Non-Violent Pregnant Women (**Funded – Illinois Department of Child and Family Services**), \$125,000
- 1999** **Project Administrator**, Improving Outcomes for Children and Families of Incarcerated Parents Project (**Funded – Illinois Department of Child and Family Services**),
- 2000** **Project Administrator**, Recruitment and Retention of Adoptive and

Foster Care Homes for African American Children (**Funded – Illinois Department of**

SUBMITTED RESEARCH PROPOSALS - NOT FUNDED OR UNDER REVIEW

2020 Principal Investigator. (Darrin Wright, Co-PI), CAU - ASWB Regulatory Literature Review (**Not Funded**), Association of Social Work Boards.

2020 Co-Principal Investigator, (Sean Warner, PI), The Impact of COVID-19 on HBCUs' Perception of Teaching and Learning (**Not funded**), Spencer Foundation.

2016 Lawrence, S. (PI), Ratliff, T. (Co-PI) & Araujo, C. (Co-PI) Council on Social Work Education, Policy Practice in Field Education Grant. "Jackson State University, School of Social Work, Social Work and Policy Practice Project (S.W.A.P.P.)" (Not Funded- Will Resubmit - Council on Social Work Education)

2016 Lipford, K. (PI), Thomas, T. (Co-PI), & Lawrence, S. (Co-PI). 2016 Policies for Action: Policy and Law Research to Build a Culture of Health Grant. "A policy evaluation of Mississippi's school wellness policy" (Not Funded – Robert Woodson Foundation)

2015 Williams, B. (PI), Lawrence, S. (Co-PI) 2016 Graduate Psychology Education (GPE) Program (Funding Opportunity Number: HRSA-16-059). "TUPPS (Treating Underserved Populations with Psychological Services)" (Not Funded – U.S Department of Health and Human Services: Health Resources and Services Administration)

2015 Davis, M. (PI) & Lawrence, S. (Co-PI) Documenting Drivers of the Childhood Obesity Epidemic for Lower-Income Communities of Color App ID# 36470 (Not Funded – Robert Woods Johnson and Healthy Eating Research)

2015 Lawrence, S. (PI) & Anderson, B. (Co-PI) 2015 Avon Campus Grants Program: Speak Out Against Domestic Violence (Not Funded – Avon Foundation for Women)

2015 Lawrence, S. (PI) & Watson, J. (Co-PI), Idleburg, D. (Co-PI), Beckley, (Co-PI), Butler, D. (Co-PI) & Singleton-Walker, C. (Co-PI) Navigator Grant Proposal, CA-NAV-15-001, 93.332. Jackson State University, Schools of Social Work

Consortium Navigator Project (Not funded – Department of Health & Human Services: Center for Medicaid & Medicare Services)

2015 **Lawrence, S. (Co-PI) & Anderson, B. (Co-PI)** Healthy Eating Research

(HER) 2015 Call for Proposals (Not funded)

PUBLICATIONS

Lawrence, S. & Baffour, T. (Eds.). (2023). A Call for Social Work Educators to Confront and Dismantle Systemic Racism *Within Social Work Programs* [Special Issue]. *Reflections: Narratives in Professional Helping* [Forthcoming].

Lawrence, S., Watson, J., Currie, N., & Cooper, M. (2023). Social Justice and Black Men's Health. In Y. D. Dyson, V. Robinson-Dooley, & J. Watson (Eds.), *Black Men's Health: A Strengths-Based Approach Through a Social Justice Lens for Helping Professions*. Springer Publishing.

King, I.R. & Lawrence, S. (2022). BSW Students Perceptions of Their Writing Skills Pre/Post Writing Intervention, *Journal of Behavioral and Social Sciences*, Vol. 8 (4).

Lawrence, S. & Honore-Collins, C. (2021). Overcoming Addiction: College Women Formerly Involved with the Criminal Justice System Account of Successful Reentry. *Journal of Education and Social Justice*, Vol. 7 (1), pp. 44-60.

Lawrence, S., Watson, J., & Cooper, M. (2020). Police Brutality, African American Men, and Social Justice. In F. G. Cambrice, W. T. Hoston, & M. Robinson (Eds.), *An Ideological Challenge in Contemporary Debates in Social Justice: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Exploring the Lives of Black and Brown Americans* (pp. 23-41). Kendall Hunt.

Watson, J., Dyson, Y. D., Lawrence, S. & Cooper, M. (2020). African American Men's Health Disparities: Injustice in Healthcare. In F. G. Cambrice, W. T. Hoston, & M. Robinson (Eds.), *An Ideological Challenge in Contemporary Debates in Social Justice: an Interdisciplinary Approach to Exploring the Lives of Black and Brown Americans* (pp. 43-56). Kendall Hunt.

Lawrence, S. (2019). Data Science: A Promising Field of Study for Social Workers? *The New Social Worker*, <https://www.socialworker.com/feature-articles/practice/data-science-a-promising-field-of-study-for-social-workers/>

Merrefield, C. (2020). America uprising: Scholars reflect on the death of George Floyd. Plus, 10 tips for journalists covering protests against police violence. [Scholar quoted]. *Journalist's Resource: Research on Today's News Topics*.

Lawrence, S. (2017). From Their Hearts to Our Ears: Former Wards in Rural Communities Discuss Permanency. *Online Journal of Rural and Urban Research*, Volume 7(1), pp. 9-16.

Watson, J., Lawrence, S., & Stepteau-Watson, D. (2017). Engaging Fathers in Culturally Competent Services. In Mazza & Perry (Eds.), *Fatherhood in*

America: Social Work Perspectives on a Changing Society, pp. 255-268. Charles C.

Thomas Publisher. Springfield, IL.

Lawrence, S. (2016). The Jacksonville State University, School of Human Services and Social Sciences, Department of Social Work, Master of Social Work Program Handbook.

Lawrence, S. & Carter, C. (2016). Policing: Social Control and Race. *Reflections* Volume 21 (3), pp. 34-37.

Lipford, K., Lawrence, S., & Lacking, R., (2016). Community Partnership Curricular Support through a Domestic Violence Forum. *Researcher*, Vol. 29 (1), pp. 105-126

Lawrence, S., Watson, J., & Anderson, B. (2015). *The African American Father*. The Edwin Mellen Press. Lewiston, NY.

Neyland, T. & Lawrence, S. (2015). Perceptions of African American Fatherhood Involvement. In Lawrence, Watson, Anderson (Eds.), *The African American Father*, pp. 23-73. The Edwin Mellen Press. Lewiston, NY.

Watson, J., Lawrence, S., & Wright, B. (2015). An Innovative Social Work Pedagogical Partnership. *International Journal of Liberal Arts and Science*, Volume 3 (6), pp. 120- 124.

Azevedo, M., Conwill, D., Lawrence, S. et al. (2015). Tuberculosis Containment Among the Homeless in Metropolitan Jackson, Mississippi. *Journal of the Mississippi State Medical Association*, Volume LVI (8), pp. 243-249.

Lawrence, S. (2014). Values, Ethics, Ethnic Diversity and. In *Encyclopedia of Human Services and Diversity*, Linwood H. Cousins and J. Geoffrey Golson (Eds). Sage: Thousand Oaks, CA.

Watson, J. & Lawrence, S. (2014). Disaster Response Multiple University-Community Partnerships: A Case Report. *Journal of Rural and Urban Research*, Volume 4 (1), pp. 1-11.

Stepteau-Watson, D., Watson, J., & Lawrence, S. (2014). Young African American males in Re-entry: An Afrocentric cultural approach. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment: Special Issue, Promotion of Young African American Male Health*, Vol 24 (6), pp. 658-665.

Lawrence, S., Watson, J. & Stepteau-Watson, D. (2013). President Obama and the Fatherhood Initiative. *Race, Class and Gender, Special Edition*, Volume 20 (3-4).

Azevedo, M., Madiralla, J., Lawrence, S., & Johnson, K. (2013). Female Prisoners in the US: HIV/AIDS and Opportunistic Co-Infectious Diseases. *GJHSS Volume 13 (2 V. 1.0.)*

Orey, B., King, A., Lawrence, S. & Anderson, B. (2013) Black Opposition to Welfare in the Age of Obama. *Race, Class and Gender, Special Edition, Race, Class and Gender, Special Edition*, Volume 20 (3-4).

Lawrence, S., Stepteau-Watson & Honore-Collins, C. (2007). Daughters of Incarcerated Women: Contact with the Child Welfare System. *Race, Class and Gender*, Volume 14 (1-2).

Lawrence, S. (2005). School and Community Connections for Adolescent Daughters of Incarcerated Mothers. *The Researcher*, Volume 20 (2).

Lawrence, S. (2005). Research Issues in Rural and Urban Communities. *Southern Institute Mental Research Conference: Conference Proceedings*. Jackson State University: April 14-15, 2005.

Lawrence-Wills, S. (2004). Incarcerated Mothers Reports of Their Daughters Antisocial Behavior, Maternal Supervision and Mother-Daughter-Relationship. *Journal of Family Social Work*, Volume 8 (3).

Hairston, C.F., Bates, R., & Lawrence-Wills, S. (Summer, 2004). Serving Incarcerated Mothers and their Babies in Community-Based Residences. *Research Brief: Children, Families, and the Criminal Justice System*. Jane Addams Center for Social Policy and Research, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Bates, R., Lawrence-Wills, S., & Hairston, C.F. (Summer, 2003). Children and Families of Incarcerated Parents: A View from the Ground. *Research Brief: Children, Families, and the Criminal Justice System*. Jane Addams Center for Social Policy and Research, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Lawrence-Wills, S. (2002). Social Connections and Delinquency: Adolescent girls whose mothers are incarcerated. University of Illinois at Chicago, Graduate College, Jane Addams College of Social Work [Dissertation].

Hairston, C. F., Wills, S., & Wall, N. (1997). Children, Families, and

Correctional Supervision: Current policies and new directions. Jane Addams Center for Social Policy and Research, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Petras, D., Derezotes, D., & Wills, S. (1999). Parent-Child Bonding and

Attachment: Research implications for child welfare practice. Jane Addams Center for Social Policy and Research, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Publications In Process

Lawrence, S., King, I.R., Alhassan, A., Jones, K., & Counts-Spriggs, M. (2022). Faculty Development Project to Incorporate Data Science in Social Work Curriculum, Methodological Innovations [In Process].

Lawrence, S. & Brown, V. (2022). Social Work in HBCU's: Why we matter and why we must revisit our history, *Journal of Diversity in Higher Education* [In Process].

Lawrence, S. & Watson, J. (2022). Culturally Competent Fatherhood Intervention Outcome [In Process].

PRESENTATIONS/MODERATOR

Lawrence, S., Turner, J.F., & Randle, C. (2021). Data Science and K-12 Education, Roundtable Discussion, AUC Inaugural W.E.B. Du Bois Data Science Symposium, Atlanta, GA.

Lawrence, S. (2021). Social Work Chats: Are you interested in a Doctorate Degree (Ph.D. or DSW)? Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA.

Alhassan, M., Lawrence, S., & King, I. (2020). Faculty Development Project: Incorporating Data Science in Social Work Curriculum, Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Virtual Annual Program Meeting (APM), Alexandria, VA.

Natale, A., Ivy, J., Congress, E., Miller-Cribs, J., Baffour, T., Cooper-Bolinskey, D., & Lawrence, S. (2020). Fostering Inclusion and Belonging: Promising Practices and

Resources for Faculty Onboarding, Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Virtual Annual Program Meeting (APM), Alexandria, VA.

Lawrence, S. & Honore-Collins, C. (2020). Overcoming Addiction: College Women Formerly Involved with the Criminal Justice System Account of Successful Reentry, National Association of African American Studies Annual Conference, Dallas, TX.

Lawrence, S. & King, I. (2019). BSW Student Perceptions of Progress Pre/Post Writing Intervention, Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting (APM), Denver, CO.

Lawrence, S., King, I., & Jones, K. (2019). Incorporating Data Science in Social Work – Making Sense of the Numbers at Post-Institute Poster Presentation, Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA.

Lawrence, S., King, I., Alhassan, & Jones, K. (2019). Faculty Development

Project: Incorporating Data Science in Social Work – Making Sense of the Numbers at CAU Faculty Development Showcase, Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA.

Lawrence, S. (2019). Incorporating Data Science in Social Work – Making Sense of the Numbers at AUCC Data Science Faculty Meeting, Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA.

Keynote Speaker at Clark Atlanta University, Whitney M. Young, Jr., School of Social Work, National Phi Alpha Social Work- Zeta Kappa Chapter, Student Honor Society Induction Ceremony, Thursday, May 9th, 2019 at Clark Atlanta University.

Lawrence, S. (2018). Moderator. Bobbi Kristina Serenity House: “Don’t’ Date Danger” Panel Discussion at Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA.

Lawrence, S. (2018). Panelist. CSWE Commission on Membership and Professional Development: Membership Has Its Benefits – What Members Think About CSWE at CSWE APM 2018, Orlando, FL.

Lawrence, S. & Snider, R. (2017). Webinar: Learning Collaborative Learn and

Share: Implementing SBIRT at Jacksonville State University. Jacksonville, AL.

Lawrence, S. & Trask, J. (2017, November) Adolescent SBIRT Certification Training on Motivational Interviewing: A Patient Centered Approach at Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL. (28 participants).

Lawrence, S., Hill, L., Newton, M., Edge, W., Snyder, R., & Whorton, K. (2017, March). Adolescent SBIRT Certification Training at Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL. (107 participants).

Lawrence, S. & Lipford, K. (2017). Invited Guest. Cultural Diversity and Healthcare. WAEC – Love 860 Radio Station. Atlanta, GA.

Lawrence, S. (2016). Presenter. Tips for Applying to Graduate School. Department of Sociology, Jacksonville, AL.

Lawrence, S. & McMillan, G. (2016, June). Independent Living Program (ILP) and Workforce Development for Youth Aging Out of the MS Foster Care System. Panelist at the First Annual Advancing Mississippi: A Better Mississippi for More Mississippians Conference, Jackson, MS.

Lawrence, S. (2016, April). Charting a New Direction for Social Work in the Mississippi Delta. Invited Panelist at the Mississippi Valley State University, Department of Social Work Annual Social Work Conference, Greenwood, MS.

Lawrence, S. (2016). Invited Speaker. Thirty-Fifth Annual Social Work Month Celebration on March 10, 2016 at Jackson State University, Jackson, MS.

Lawrence, S. & Neyland, T. (2016, March). Perceptions of African American Fatherhood Involvement: Stereotypes That Can Kill the Dream. Paper presentation at the 2016 Race, Gender and Class Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Lawrence, S. (2016, February). Perceptions of African American Fatherhood Involvement. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates, Baton Rouge, LA.

Lipford, K. & Lawrence, S. & Lacking, R. (2016, February). Community Partnership Curricula Support Through a Domestic Violence Forum. Paper presentation at the Conference of Minority Public Administrators (COMPA) National Conference, Jackson, MS.

Stepteau-Watson, D., Watson, J. & Lawrence, S. (2016, January). Sankofa: Applying an Afrocentric Model to Young African Males in Reentry. Paper presentation at the 14th Annual Child Welfare Institute Conference, Jackson, MS.

Lawrence, S. (2015, October). Making Mississippi Women Secure. Invited Panelist. at Mississippi's Women's Economic Security Policy Summit, Jackson, MS.

Lawrence, S. (2015, March). "Mental Health for African American Children in Rural Mississippi" at the National Association of Black Social Workers, Chicago, IL (3/31-4/4/2015)

Lawrence, S. & Watson, J. (2014, March). Fathers, Fatherhood, and African American Men. Annual Regional Conference, National Association of Social Workers, Biloxi, MS.

Lawrence, S. & Watson, J. (2013, November). Fathers, Fatherhood, and African American Men. 26th Annual Southwest Regional Conference, National Association of Black Social Workers, New Orleans, LA.

Lawrence, S. (2013, October). Break the Silence, Stop the Violence. Welcome: Domestic Violence Forum. Jackson, MS.

Anderson, B., Lawrence, S., & Marshall, A. (2013, October). Challenges in Social Work Education Relative to the Non-traditional Student. Paper presentation at the Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Education Annual Conference, Natchez, MS.

Lawrence, S. (2013, September). Summit: Newly Elected African American Mayors from Central Mississippi Municipalities. Facilitator: "Passing the Torch of Leadership – Being Prepared to Take It". Jackson, MS.

Lawrence, S. (2013, August). Mental Health Provisions for Children in Rural Mississippi and Uganda. Presentation at the Health Disparities Research Training Program, Birmingham, AL.

Lawrence, S. (2013, June). Female Prisoners in the US: HIV/AIDS and Opportunistic Co-Infectious Diseases. Paper presentation at the International Scientific Conference on Public Health in East Africa: Disease Burden and Public Health in East Africa, Uganda, Africa.

Wilkerson, P., Lawrence, S., & Carter, C. (2013, March). Factors That Influence Children of Incarcerated Mothers and Kinship Caregivers. Workshop at the National Association of Social Workers Annual Conference, Natchez, MS.

Lawrence, S. & Anderson, B. (2013, February). Addressing Permanency in Southern Illinois: What Former Wards Have to Say. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates, Baton Rouge, LA.

Lawrence, S., Watson, J., & Stepteau-Watson, D. (2013, February). African American Men's Perceptions of Fatherhood. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates, Baton Rouge, LA.

Lawrence, S., Watson, J., & Stepteau-Watson, D. (2013, February). Paper presentation session moderator at the annual conference of the National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates, Baton Rouge, LA.

Lawrence, S. (2012, September). Social Work Licensing Examination Workshop, Jackson State University, School of Social Work, Bachelor of Social Work Program, Jackson, MS.

Lawrence, S. (2008, February). Are We Still Mis-Educating the Negro? Panel discussion organizer/facilitator at the Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Black Heritage Committee Annual Programming, Edwardsville, IL.

Lawrence, S. (2008, March). Grandparents as caregivers: Incarcerated Parents. Paper presentation at the Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Senior Citizens Annual Presentations, Edwardsville, IL.

Lawrence, S. & Stepteau-Watson, D. (2007, October). Daughters of Incarcerated Mothers Contact with the Child Welfare System. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Conference, Biloxi, MS.

Lawrence, S. (2007, April). The Emotional Well-Being of Girls Experiencing Foster Care System Involvement and Maternal Incarceration. Paper presentation at biennial conference, Jackson State University, School of Social Work and Southern Institute for Mental Health Advocacy, Research, and Training Research Conference, Jackson, MS.

Lawrence, S. (2006, October). Daughters of Incarcerated Mothers Contact with the Child Welfare System. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors, Los Angeles, CA.

Lawrence, S. (2006, February). Incarcerated Mothers' Reports of Their Daughters' Antisocial Behavior, School and Community Connections. Roundtable session at the annual conference of the Council on Social Work Education, Chicago, IL.

Lawrence, S. & Ramsey, D. (2006, February). Musical Expressions that Tell Our Story. Arts Festival session at the annual conference of the Council on Social Work Education, Chicago, IL.

Lawrence, S. (2005, April). Roundtable session moderator, "Reality-Based Analysis: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Disparities Research", at biennial conference, Jackson State University, School of Social Work and Southern Institute for Mental Health Advocacy, Research, and Training Research Conference, Jackson, MS.

Lawrence, S. (2005, April). Gulf Coast Addiction Technology Transfer Center, Annual Workshop. Invited participant as representative of Mississippi, Austin, TX.

Lawrence, S. (2005, February). Incarcerated Mothers' Reports of Their Daughters' Antisocial Behavior, School and Community Connections. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the National Association of African American Studies, Houston, TX.

Lawrence, S. (2005, February). Incarcerated Mothers' Reports of Their Daughters' Antisocial Behavior, Maternal Supervision, and Mother-Daughter Relationship. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the Council on Social Work Education, New York City, NY.

Lawrence, S. (2005, January). Incarcerated Mothers' Reports of Their Daughters' Antisocial Behavior, Maternal Supervision, and Mother-Daughter Relationship. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Miami, FL.

Lawrence, S. (2005, January). Session moderator for the concurrent paper session, "Delinquency in Female Adolescents" at the annual conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Miami, FL.

Lawrence, S. (2005, February). Daughters of Incarcerated Women: Contact with the Child Welfare System. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the Mississippi Child Welfare Institute, Title IV Project, Jackson, MS

Lawrence-Wills, S. & Watson-Stepteau, D. (2004, November). Collaborative Learning: Learning Through Group Interaction. Paper Presentation at monthly University Scholars Program, Teaching Tuesdays, Jackson, MS

Lawrence-Wills, S. (2004, January). Social Connections and Delinquency: Adolescent girls whose mothers are incarcerated. Poster presentation at the annual conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, LA.

Lawrence-Wills, S. (2004, February). Incarcerated Mothers' Reports of Their Daughters' Antisocial Behavior, Maternal Supervision, and Mother-Daughter Relationship. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the National Association of African American Studies, Houston, TX.

Lawrence-Wills, S. (2004, February). Social Connections and Delinquency: Adolescent girls whose mothers are incarcerated. Paper presentation at the annual conference of the Council on Social Work Education, Anaheim, CA.

Lawrence-Wills, S. & Stepteau-Watson, D. (2003, October). Daddy's Girls: Father Contact with Daughters Whose Mothers Are Incarcerated. Paper presented at the annual regional meeting of the National Association of Black Social Workers, Jacksonville, FL.

Lawrence-Wills, S. (2003, September). Social Connections and Delinquency: Adolescent girls whose mothers are incarcerated. Poster presented at the annual conference of the Institute of Epidemiology and Health Services Research, Jackson, MS.

Wills, S. (2002, October). Social Connections and Delinquency: Adolescent girls whose mothers are incarcerated. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association, Chicago, IL.

UNIVERSITY/SCHOOL SERVICE

Appointed to University Educational Policies Task Force Spring 2022 to present.

Attended social work graduate meetings with Dean Cherise Peters regarding graduate admission and identified issues.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 Convocation.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Commencement, Spring 2021. Attended both 2020 and 2021.

Attended Clark Atlanta University 2020 Opening Convocation, September 15, 2020.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Founder's Day Convocation, March 18, 2021.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Closing Institute, May 26, 2021.

Attended Clark Atlanta University WMYJSSW 2020-2021 Faculty Retreat, August 18, 2020.

Attended Clark Atlanta University WMYJSSW Hooding Ceremony, May 13, 2021. Participated and assigned faculty to participate in Graduate Student Open House and Admitted Day(s) monthly from September 2020 – the present.

Co-Chair, Dean of Graduate Education Search Committee, Clark Atlanta University (August 2019 to August 2020).

Member, Dean of Graduate Education Search Committee, Clark Atlanta University (September 2018 to August 2020).

Member, Director of AUC Data Science Search Committee, Clark Atlanta University (July 2019 to August 2020).

Member, Assistant/Associate Professor Search Committee, Clark Atlanta University (September 2019 to December 2020).

Member, Atlanta University Center Consortium, AUC Data Science Faculty Council (September 2018 to Present).

Chair, Ph.D. Program Admissions Committee (August 2020 to present).

Member, University Academic Council (August 2020 to Present).

Member, University Graduate Task Force (August 2020 to Present).

Chair, BSW Program Admissions Committee (August 2018 to July 2020).

Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee (August 2020 to present).

Member, University Effectiveness Committee (August 2019 to August 2020).

Member, University Program Chairs Committee (August 2018 to Present).

Member, WMYSSW Leadership Committee (August 2018 to Present).

Member, WMYJSSW Curriculum Committee (August 2018 to Present).

Member, WMYJSSW Assessment Committee (August 2018 to Present).

Member, WMYJSSW Research Sequence Group (August 2018 to Present).

Member, WMYSSW BSW Program Committee - Presided over BSW Program Meetings every Monday September 2018 to April 2019

Attended Clark Atlanta University Spring Convocation, March 21, 2019.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Commencement, May 20, 2019.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Fall 2018 Convocation, September 11, 2018.

Attended Clark Atlanta University WMYJSSW 2018-2020 Faculty Retreat, August 9, 2019.

Attended Clark Atlanta University WMYJSSW 2019-2019 Faculty Retreat, August 14, 2019.

Attended Clark Atlanta University WMYJSSW Hooding Ceremony, May 18, 2019.

Attended Clark Atlanta University 2018 Faculty Assembly Fall Retreat, November 14, 2018.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Credible Messenger August 30, 2018

Attended Clark Atlanta University Monday Night Lecture Series - Social Work, Social Justice and the Criminal Justice System, February 25, 2019.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Monday Night Lecture Series – Social Justice and Social Work, October 22, 2018.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Monday Night Lecture Series – Voter Mobilization, September 24, 2018.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Faculty-Staff Spring Closing Institute, May 22, 2019.

Attended Clark Atlanta University Faculty-Staff Fall Opening Institute, August 7, 2019).

Attended Clark Atlanta University Faculty-Staff Fall Opening Institute, August 8-9, 2018.

Participated in Explore CAU - November 17; March 2 Participated in MY CAU Day - March 29; April 12; April 26

Lawrence, S., King, I., & Wright, D. (2018). BSW Lunch and Learn at Clark Atlanta University (November 29, 2018). Clark Atlanta University.

Lawrence, S. & King, I. (2018). Whitney M. Young, Jr., School of Social Work, BSW Program Social Work Voters Mobilization initiative (Fall 2018). Clark Atlanta University.

Lawrence, S. & Fulton, S. (2018). Georgia High School Counselors Appreciation Luncheon (October 16, 2018). Clark Atlanta University.

Lawrence, S., Mitchell, V., Fulton, S., & Alvarez, A. (2018). DeKalb High School of Technology South College Fair. Clark Atlanta University.

Lawrence, S. (2017). Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), Department of Social Work Accreditation, 2015 EPAS Candidacy Workshop. CSWE Headquarters: Alexandria, VA.

Lawrence, S. (2017). Master of Social Work Program Syllabi Development and Revision: SW 512 - Cultural Competence for Generalist Practice. Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Lawrence, S. (2017). Master of Social Work Program Syllabi Development and Revision: SW 514 - Social Work Research and Evidence Based Practice. Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Lawrence, S. (2016). Master of Social Work Program Curriculum Development and Revision. Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Committee Member, MSW Admissions Committee. (June 28, 2017 – August 1, 2018). Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Committee Member, MSW Program Committee. (August 31, 2016 – August 1, 2018). Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Committee Member, MSW Candidacy Document Committee. (August 2016 – August 1, 2018). Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Committee Member, Faculty Search Committee - Field Coordinator. (January 1, 2017 - June 30, 2017). Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Committee Member, Faculty Search Committee - MSW/PhD. (January 1, 2017 - June 30, 2017). Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Jacksonville State University, 2016 Fall Sip and Share, Participant. Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Jacksonville State University, JSU Sociology Club SPSS Workshop, Recruiter. Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Jacksonville State University, Red Flag Rally! Supporter, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Jacksonville State University, Veterans Day Ceremony, Participant/Recruiter, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Jacksonville State University, 2016 JSU in Lights, Donor, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Jacksonville State University, Accepted Student Day 2016-2017 (February 10, 2017), Presenter/Guide, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Jacksonville State University, 2016 Fall Commencement, Fall 2017
Commencement, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL.

Jackson State University, UNCF Achievement Capstone 2016 Awards
Committee, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, Chair, Communicative Disorders, Search Committee,
2016, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, Chair, Health Services Search Committee, 2016,
Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, Staff Writer/Researcher, Division of Academic Affairs
Search Committee, 2016, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, JSU ONE Excellence Award Committee, 2016, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, appointed to University Think Tank, sponsored by the Institute
of Government 2014-2016, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, Speaker – Introduction of Fall 2014 Commencement
Speaker, Mr. Marc Morial, President and CEO of the National Urban League, Jackson,
MS.

Jackson State University Attended the CSWE 60th Annual Program Meeting, Tampa,
FL (10/23-26/14).

Jackson State University, Attended the MS Child Welfare Institute
Conference (February 11, 2015), Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, Attended the National Assn. of Social Workers Annual
Conference (3/25-27/15) Biloxi, MS.

Jackson State University, Faculty Associate, Journal of Addiction, Recovery & Aftercare
(2013-2016).

Jackson State University, Research Associate, Modernizing the University
Curriculum with Transcultural Triangularity Research Project (2004).

Jackson State University, University Grievance Committee, 2015-2016, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, Madison Campus Committee, 2014-2016, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, Foundations of Excellence Committee, 2013-2016, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, Social Work Faculty Search Committee, 2014-2015, 2015-2016, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, MSW Portfolio Committee, 2012-2016, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, BSW Social Work Student Association, Faculty Advisor, 2012-2015, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, School of Social Work, Voter's Project - Registration Drive, September 2012.

Jackson State University, School of Social Work, Voter's Project -Town Hall Meeting, November 2012.

Jackson State University, School of Social Work. Voter's Project - Voting Drive, November 2012.

Jackson State University, Recruitment and Retention Committee, 2012-2013, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, University-wide Retention Advisory Board, 2012-2013, Jackson, MS.

Chicago State University, University-wide Special Events Committee, Co-Chair, 2009, Chicago, IL.

Chicago State University, Provost Council, Member, 2009, Chicago, IL.

Chicago State University, President's Executive Council Committee, Member, 2009, Chicago, IL.

Chicago State University, Finance Committee, Member, 2009, Chicago, IL.

Chicago State University, 21st Century Planning Committee, Member, 2009, Chicago, IL.

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Black Heritage Committee, Member, 2007-2008, Edwardsville, IL.

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, National Association of Black Social Work Student Association, Faculty Advisor, 2007-2008, Edwardsville, IL.

College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Social Work, BSW Committee, 2007-2008, Edwardsville, IL.

College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Social Work, Phi Alpha Honor Society, Faculty Advisor, 2007-2008, Edwardsville, IL.

College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Social Work, MSW Committee, Fall 2007, Edwardsville, IL.

College of Public Service, School of Social Work Education Policy and Accreditation Standards Committee, Social Work Curriculum Research Content Area Co-Chair, 2005-2007, Jackson, MS.

College of Public Service, School of Social Work, PhD Admissions Committee, 2007, Jackson, MS.

College of Public Service, School of Social Work Teaching Across School Curriculums Committee, 2007, Jackson, MS.

College of Public Service, Faculty Policies and Procedures Manual Revision Committee, 2005, Jackson, MS.

School of Social Work and Southern Institute for Mental Health Advocacy, Research, and Training Research Conference Steering Committee, 2004-2007, Jackson, MS.

College of Public Service Graduation, Reader, May, 2005, 2006, Jackson, MS.

Annual Conference of the Mississippi Child Welfare Institute Title IV Project, 2003-2006, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, BSW Social Work Student Association, Faculty Advisor, 2003-2006, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, PhD Social Work Student Association, Faculty Advisor, 2006-2007, Jackson, MS.

College of Public Service Selection Committee, Rockefeller Brothers Fund Fellowship for Students of Color Entering the Teaching Profession Program, 2004-2005, Jackson, MS.

College of Public Service, School of Social Work, Library Journal Review Ad Hoc Committee, 2004-2005, Jackson, MS.

Jackson State University, Freshman Class Sponsor, 2004-2005, Jackson, MS.

College of Public Service, School of Social Work, BSW Program, Curriculum Committee 2003-2006, Jackson, MS.

College of Public Service, School of Social Work, Research Committee, 2003-2006, Jackson, MS.

College of Public Service, School of Social Work, Technology Committee, 2003-2006, Jackson, MS.

College of Public Service, School of Social Work, Search Committee, 2004-2005, 2006-2007, Jackson, MS.

Institute of Epidemiology and Health Services Research Annual Conference, 2004-2007, Jackson, MS.

Supervising Test Proctor, Jackson State University, Office of Psychometric Services, 2004-2005, Jackson, MS.

Center for Children and Families (now known as the Center for Social reform, Equity, and Innovation)

- Recruited for and developed Center Advisory Board
- Presided over meetings of the Advisory Board to discuss working meeting dates and time, vision and direction, board functions and logistics, mission review, logo, funding opportunities, and grant writing.
- Developed Draft By-Laws for Center.
- Created, disseminated, and analyzed collected data from Qualtrics.
- Identified grant opportunities.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

2020-present Member, Group for the Advancement of Doctoral Education in Social Work (GADE)

2000 – present Member, Council on Social Work Education

2003 - present Member, National Association of African American Studies

- 1995 – present** Member, National Association of Social Workers
- 1995 – present** Member, National Association of Black Social Workers
- 2004 – present** Member, Baccalaureate Program Directors
- 2009 - 2010** Member, National Association of Presidential Assistants in Higher Education

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE/COMMUNITY WORK/CONSULTATION

Board Member (Appointed), Gate City Day Nursery Association, Atlanta, Georgia, December 2020 to present

Manuscript Reviewer, The Social Science Journal, reviewed two manuscripts and one resubmission.

USAID, 2021 Foreign Service Promotion Boards, promotion application reviewer/evaluator.

Member, Atlanta University Center Consortium, AUC Data Science Faculty Council.

Member, CSWE Task Force to Advance Anti-Racism, Conferences & Faculty Development Work Group.

Commissioner, Council on Social Work Education, Commission on Membership and Professional Development, 2016 – 2019, reappointed 2019

Site Visitor, Council on Social Work Education, 2016 – present.

Board Member, Health Services Center, Anniston, AL., September 20, 2017 – September 20, 2019.

University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, TN. External Reviewer, Promotion and Tenure Packet (2018). Jacksonville State University.

Moderator, CSWE Membership Online Focus Groups to collect data on membership satisfaction (Spring 2017).

Manuscript Reviewer, Journal of Rural and Urban Research, “*Treating Depression: A Strategy for the Prevention and Reduction of Chronic Physical Illness*”, 2016.

Book Reviewer, Sage Publications, "*Human Behavior Theory for Social Work Practice*", 2016.

Manuscript Reviewer, Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment,

"An Empirical Assessment of Writing and Research Proficiency in HBCU Social Work Students: A Pilot Study for Development of a Writing and Research Manual", 2016.

Peer Review Board Member, Journal of Addiction, Recovery & Aftercare (2013-2016).

Co-Chair, Hillcrest All Class Alumni Association Mentoring Program 2009-2013.

Abstract Reviewer, Baccalaureate Program Directors, 2008

Grant Reviewer, Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (2005).

Consultant, Tri-Lakes Behavioral Health, Batesville, Mississippi

Consultant, LeFlore County Juvenile Court, Juvenile Drug Court

Initiative.

Expert Witness, United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Western Division

Consultant, University of Tennessee, Tennessee Department of Children's Services Needs Assessment, The Brian A. Settlement Agreement, Technical Assistance Committee

Consultant, Downtown Jackson Community Development Corporation, Brighter Futures Initiatives & Taking Care of Business, Male Responsibility Program.

Board of Directors, Southern Institute for Mental Health Advocacy, Research, and Training, Jackson, Mississippi

Board of Directors, Stix, Inc., Jackson, Mississippi

Book proposal review, Essentials of Policy Practice, for John Wiley & Sons, Inc.