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## **EDUCATION**

- 1990 Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania, Linguistics  
*Towards a Phonology of Negerhollands: An Analysis of Phonological Variation*
- 1977 M.A., College of the Virgin Islands, Education  
*Negative and Interrogative Structures in St. Thomas, V.I. Kindergarten Speech*
- 1969 A.B., Adelphi University, Summa Cum Laude, Humanities

## **RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS**

Language Contact, Variation, and Change with particular emphasis on language creation, language acquisition, language shift in the African Diaspora

## **UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE**

- 1996- Associate Professor with appointment to Level II Graduate Faculty, Department of English, Auburn University
- 2002-2006 Acting Assistant Director, Center for Diversity and Race Relations, Auburn University (See Appendix I for detailed listing of activities)
- 1991-1995 Assistant Professor, with appointment to Level I Graduate Faculty, Department of English, Auburn University
- 1986-1991 Lecturer, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Communications, Drexel University
- 1985,
- 1989-1991 Instructor, College of General Studies, University of Pennsylvania
- 1986-1991 Lecturer, English Programs for Foreign Students, University of Pennsylvania

## **CONSULTING**

- 1992-1999 Linguistic Consultant, Indian American Education Enterprises
- 1988-1991 Writing Consultant, Bryn Mawr College

## **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

- 2010 Funded Professional Improvement Leave (Competitive leave given by the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs). (\$14,361.00)
- 2008 One of three senior recipients of Auburn University's first Research Award in the Study of Diversity (Given by the Provost and the Vice President for Research). (\$2000)

- 2008 College of Liberal Arts Dean's Nomination for the Research Award in the Study of Diversity.
- 2006 Japan Teaching Box Project, Japan Foundation. Facilitated formation of project group composed of faculty from Curriculum and Teaching and the English Language Program. (\$5000)
- 2006 *About Punctuation* was selected as one of the best educational resources on the Web by StudySphere  
<[http://www.auburn.edu/academic/liberal\\_arts/english/ec/resources/about.htm](http://www.auburn.edu/academic/liberal_arts/english/ec/resources/about.htm)>
- 2005 Nominated as Panhellenic Council outstanding professor
- 2004 Mini Grant, Alabama Humanities Foundation to collect oral history data from (former) residents of Tuskegee. PI R. Sabino with Auburn University Center for Arts and Humanities. (\$2000)
- 2004 Nominated for Auburn University Outreach Award for work with Alabama Indian tribes
- 2002 Competitive Research Grant, Auburn University Vice President for Research (\$5,428)
- 2001 Outreach Grant, Auburn University Vice President for Outreach (\$2,147.90)
- 1999 Library Travel Grant, University of Gainesville (\$300)
- 1999 Matching research grant from Auburn University, College of Liberal Arts (\$300)
- 1999 Faculty Development Consortium Mini-Sabbatical Program (\$325)
- 1999 Small Equipment Grant, Office of the Vice President, Auburn University. With C. Bernstein (\$1,000)
- 1997 Nominated for Teaching Award in the Humanities
- 1997 Breeden Grant. With K. McClelland (\$1,000)
- 1991 Humanities Endowment Fund, Matching Fund, and the Research Grant-in-Aid Competitive Grants Program, Auburn University (\$5,000)
- 1988 The National Science Foundation (BNS-8813415). W. Labov, PI (\$3,500)
- 1987 The American Philosophical Society. PI R. Sabino with G. Sprauve. (\$1,741)

## REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

### **Book**

- 1997 *Language Variation in the South*. Tuscaloosa, AL: University of Alabama Press. (641+ xiv). Edited with Cindy Bernstein and Tom Nunnally

### **Book Chapters**

- Forthcoming "Tsalagi Language Revitalization and the Echota Cherokee" Speaking of Alabama, ed. Thomas Nunnally. Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press. (Original published in 2007).
- 2003 "Language Variety in the Virgin Islands: Plural Marking" *Contact Englishes in the Eastern Caribbean*, eds. Jeff Williams and Michael Aceto. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. With Mary Stephens Diamond and Lee Cockcroft, pp. 81-94.
- 1994 "First Language Transfer and Universal Processes in the Acquisition of Phonotactic Structure." *Current Issues in Second Language Acquisition and Development*. Ed. C. Blackshire-Belay, pp. 7-28. University Press of America, Inc. (Invited)

- 1993 "On Onsets: Explaining Negerhollands Initial Clusters." *The Atlantic Meets the Pacific: Selected Papers from the Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics*. Eds. J. Holm and F. Byrne, pp. 37-44. Amsterdam and Philadelphia: John Benjamins.
- 1988 "Word Final Vowels in Negerhollands." *Linguistic Change and Contact: Proceedings of NWAV XIV*. Eds. K. Ferrara, B. Brown, K. Walters, and J. Baugh, pp. 310-18. Linguistics Department, University of Texas at Austin.

### **Peer Reviewed Articles**

- 2009 "Reconsidering Official English: Beyond the culture wars" *The Southern Journal of Linguistics* 33.2:32-54 (Invited).
- 2007 "Tsalagi Language Revitalization and the Echota Cherokee." *Tributaries: Journal of the Alabama Folklife Association* 10:202-210.
- 2005 "Survey Says . . . gameday" *American Speech*. 80.1:61-77.
- 2001 "Views and Vistas: James Patriot Wilson's Travels through the Choctaw, Chickasaw, and Cherokee Nations." With S. Hathorn. *The Alabama Review*. July 2001: 206-220.
- 1999 "The Path Not Taken: Cultural Identity in the Interesting Life of Olaudah Equiano." *Melus* 24.1:5-19. With J. Hall.
- 1997 "The Implications of Lectal Variation for the Reassessment of Eric Pontoppidan's 19th Century Creole Material." *SECOL Review*. 21.1:126-40. With A.-K. Gramberg.
- 1996 "A Peak at Death: Assessing Continuity and Change in an Underdocumented Language." *Language, Variation and Change*. 8:41-61.
- 1995 "Distinguishing Questions from Statements by Prosodic Cues Alone: You Didn't Hear What I Meant." *SECOL Review*. 19.2:151-70. With N. J. Haak
- 1994 ". . . They just fade away: Language death and the loss of phonological variation." *Language in Society*. 23.4:395-426.
- 1988 "An Examination of the Copula in Vernacular Negerhollands." *Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages*. 3:199-213.
- 1986 "Another Step Towards a Characterization of the Negerhollands Tense and Aspect Particles." *Amsterdam Creole Studies*. 9:47-71.
- 1983 "Plural Marking in Virgin Islands English Creole." *Penn Linguistics Review*, 3-11.
- 1981 "A Preliminary Examination of the +/- Intermittent Dichotomy as It Relates to Aspect Marking in Virgin Islands English Creole." *Anthropological Linguistics*. 23.2: 88-92.

### **Book Reviews**

- 2007 Review of *Equiano, the African: Biography of a Self-made Man*. *Southern Humanities Review* 41:386-390.
- 2007 Review of *L2 Acquisition and Creole Genesis: Dialogues*. *Southern Journal of Linguistics* 31.2: 68-74.
- 2004 Review of *African American English in the Diaspora*. *Journal of English Linguistics*, 31:63-70.
- 2000 Review of *The Sociolinguistics Reader: Multilingualism and Variation*. Vols. 1

- and 2. *Journal of English Linguistics*, 28.2:202-10.
- 1999 Review of *Contact Languages: A Wider Perspective*. *American Speech*, 74.3: 324-8.
- 1999 Review of *Mobilian Jargon: Linguistic and Sociohistorical Aspects of a Native American Pidgin*, *Language*. 75.1:169-172.
- 1997 Review of *Trinidad Yoruba: From Mother Tongue to Memory*. *Language* 73.3:616-18.
- 1997 Review of *Black Atlantic Writers of the 18th Century* and *The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano*. *Southern Humanities Review* 31:187-90.
- 1995 Review of *Africanisms in Afro-American Language Varieties*. *SECOL Review* 20.1:127-31.
- 1995 Review of *Slave Society in the Danish West Indies*. *Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages* 10.1:195-9.
- 1995 Review of *Women Version: Theoretical Approaches to West Indian Fiction*. *Southern Humanities Review* 29.3:297-99.
- 1994 Review of *Attitudes and Language*. *SECOL Review* 18.2:206-08.
- 1993 Review of *Patterns of Language: Structure, Variation and Change*. *Lingua* 9:258-60.
- 1992 Review of *Pidgins and Creoles*. *Lingua* 86:92-4.
- 1986 Review of *Studies in Caribbean Language*. *Language in Society* 15.3: 101-4.

**Presentations with Published Papers**

- 2010 “*Me Regun, Me Res*: The social component of language history” A paper presented at the 18<sup>th</sup> Biennial conference of the Society for Caribbean Linguistics, Bridgetown Barbados. (Paper submitted)
- 2010 “Celebrating Diversity, Building Community: Pathways to Healthy Aging” Virgin Islands Humanities Council” St. Thomas, U.S.V.I. (Paper submitted)
- 2004 “A Quantitative Study of Plural Marking in Five African Diaspora Language Varieties.” *Papers from The 27th Biennial Society for Caribbean Linguistics Conference*. Curacao, The Netherlands Antilles. (CD Rom)
- 1996 “Underlying Forms, Doublets and Other Dangerous Things” *Papers from The 11th Biennial Meeting of the Society for Caribbean Linguistics*. Phillipsburg, St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles.
- 1994 “A Peak at Death: Phonological Continuity and Change in a Moribund Creole.” *Papers from The 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial meeting of the Society for Caribbean Linguistics*. Georgetown, Guyana, S.A.
- 1988 “Kwa Substrate in Negerhollands.” *Papers from The 7<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the Society for Caribbean Linguistics*. Nassau, Bahamas.
- 1986 “An Examination of Copula in Negerhollands.” *Papers from The 6<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the Society for Caribbean Linguistics and the American Dialect Society*. St. Augustine, Trinidad.
- 1984 “/h/ Insertion in Negerhollands: The Pronoun Alternates *ham* and *am*.” *Papers from The Fifth Biennial Conference of the Society for Caribbean Linguistics Jointly with the American Dialect Society*, Mona, Jamaica. With D. Graff

### **Other Publications**

- 2005 FAQ "Will English Language Learning Interfere with My Child's Chinese Language Acquisition?" *Global Bridges Parent Handbook*. School of Education, Auburn University, Auburn, AL
- 2001 "Limonese" *International Dictionary Series: Uralic, Semitic, Pacific and Miscellaneous Languages* CD. Mary Richie Key, General Editor. With Anita Herzfeld and Franklin Perry
- 2001 "Negerhollands" *International Dictionary Series: Uralic, Semitic, Pacific and Miscellaneous Languages* CD. Mary Richie Key, General Editor
- 1997 Entries on "Creole Languages" and "Danish West Indies" in *Historical Encyclopedia of World Slavery*, two vols. Junius P. Rodrigues, ed. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO Press, pp.198-9, 209-10
- 1997 Five Negerhollands Narrative Texts in *Die Creole Taal: 250 Years of Negerhollands Texts*. Eds. C. van Rossem and H. van der Voort. John Benjamins
- 1984 "Comments on Roberta G. Abraham's 'Patterns in the Use of the Present Tense Third Person Singular -s by University Level ESL Speakers'" *Tesol Quarterly* 18.1:171-173. With Peggy Rodriguez
- 1980 *A Selected Bibliography of Materials on Language Varieties Spoken in the U.S. Virgin Islands*, Occasional Paper Series, Bureau of Libraries, Museums and Archaeological Services. St. Thomas, VI

### **WEBPAGES**

- 2002- Echota Cherokee/Auburn University Language Revitalization Project.  
[www.auburn.edu/outreach/dl/echota/index\\_old.php](http://www.auburn.edu/outreach/dl/echota/index_old.php)
- 1998 An Akwamu Word List for the United States Virgin Islands Online Curriculum (No longer available)
- 1997 Translations of Tax Rolls (Land Lister) for the years 1680, 1686-1693 for the Danish West Indies  
[http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~caribgw/cgw\\_archive/usvi/vi\\_tax2.txt](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~caribgw/cgw_archive/usvi/vi_tax2.txt)
- 1997 The Punctuation Web page. A project partially funded by the Daniel F. Breeden Teaching Grant and the Humanities Fund made available through Auburn University. With Kathy McClelland.  
[http://www.auburn.edu/academic/liberal\\_arts/english/ec/resources/english.htm](http://www.auburn.edu/academic/liberal_arts/english/ec/resources/english.htm)

### **PRESENTATIONS**

- Refereed Presentations with Published Abstract**
- 2011 One Language, Three Grammars: Virgin Islands Dutch Creole. SECOL LXXVIII, Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, GA, April 13-15. With R. Thiede.
- 2010 Typological Licensing: Serial verbs in Negerhollands and Hoch Kreol. SECOL LXXVII, University of Mississippi, University, MS April 27-29. With R. Thiede.
- 2009 "Grammar writing, Cultural Hegemony, and the African Diaspora" SECOL LXXVI, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA April 7-8
- 2008 "Contextualizing Oldendorp's Eighteenth-Century Comments on Creole Genesis, Second Language Acquisition and Plural Marking" A paper presented at SECOL LXXV, Knoxville, TN, April 3-5. With E. Albrecht-Piliouni.
- 2008 "Celebrating Language Rebirth: Back from the Trail of Tears" A paper presented at

- SECOL LXXV, Knoxville, TN, April 3-5.
- 2008 "Language, Linguistics, and Hubristic Eurocentrism" A paper presented at Understanding Differences that Matter: Diversity Research at Auburn University. Auburn University, AL, October 28
- 2008 Linguistic Diversity and the Intellect of Savage Humanity" The Southeastern American Society of Eighteenth Century Studies, Auburn University, AL, February 14-17.
- 2007 "Frequency, Language Learning, and Language Change" SECOL LXXIV, Northwestern State University, LA, April 12-14.
- 2006 "Noun Plural Variability in ESL: Theoretical and Pedagogical Implications" SECOL LXXIII, Auburn University, AL, April 29. With A. Oggs, L. Boone, M. Hu, and M. Diamond.
- 2006 "Operationalizing Word Frequency" SECOL LXXIII, Auburn University, AL, April 29.
- 2005 "A Quantitative Study of Plural Marking in ESL Writing" South East Regional TESOL, Myrtle Beach, SC, September 22-25. With A. Oggs, L. Boone, M. Hu, and M. Diamond
- 2005 "A Quantitative Study of 17th Century English Plural Marking in West Africa." SECOL LXXII , North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, April 7-9. With C. Escobar
- 2005 "An Analysis of /ai/ Monophthongization in Four Multiple Birth Siblings." SECOL LXXII, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, April 7-9. With L. Holliday and A. Oggs.
- 2004 A Quantitative Study of Plural Marking in Three Non-Urban African American Language Varieties" A paper presented at LAVIS III Tuscaloosa, AL. April 15-17. With M. S. Diamond and A. H. Oggs.
- 2004 "Survey says . . . *gameday*." SECOL LXX, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL. April 15-17.
- 2002 "Language Revitalization among the Echota Cherokee." SECOL LVI , University of Tennessee, Memphis TN, April 18-20.
- 2000 "Advertisements for Escaped Slaves in the *Bahama Gazette*, 1784-1786." SECOL LXVIII, University Mississippi, Oxford, MS. April 8.
- 2000 "How Much Scotts Do They Speak in the Bahamas?"SECOL LXII , University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS, April 8. With M. Diamond
- 1999 "Instructional Technology: Linguistics - Modern English Grammars." FDC Fifth Annual Technology Conference, Auburn University, Auburn, AL, March 17. With K. McClelland
- 1998 "Walt Wolfram Calls Himself Discovering a Camouflaged AAVE Construction." SECOL LVI, University of Southwestern Louisiana, March 26-28. With L. Holladay
- 1998 "The Interactive Web Site: Possibilities for Individual and Class Instruction." FDC Technology Conference. Tuskegee, AL, March 11-13. With K. McClelland
- 1997 "Community as an Analytic Construct: Sociolinguistic Theory." Southern American Studies Association. Seaside, FL, February 27-March 3.
- 1998 "The Sociolinguistic Situation in the Danish West Indies from 1690- the early 1900s." American Dialect Meeting at SAMLA, Savanna, Ga. November 8-10. With A-K. Gramberg
- 1996 "The Meaning of Melody" American Speech and Hearing Association, Seattle, WA, November 1996. With N. Haak
- 1996 "Underlying Forms, Doublets and Other Dangerous Things" Mid-America Conference, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS, October 31-November 2.
- 1995 "Duration: Its Not Just for Emphasis Anymore." American Society for Speech and

- Hearing, Orlando, FL. With N. Haak
- 1995 “Syntax in the Fast Lane.” SECOL LX, Athens, GA. With N. Haak
- 1993 “Negerhollands Origins: A Reappraisal.” Linguistic Society of American/Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics, Los Angeles, CA.
- 1992 “Reconstructing the Negerhollands Substrate.” SECOL XXXIV, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL.
- 1992 “A Point of Detail: Serial Verbs in Negerhollands.” Linguistic Society of America/ Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics Meeting, Philadelphia, P.A.
- 1991 “The Moving Target: Taking Advantage of a Heterogeneous Superstrate.” International Congress of Americanists Meeting, New Orleans.
- 1991 “A Quantitative Analysis of Lexical Fading in Negerhollands.” SECOL XXXII, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN.
- 1991 “On Onsets: Explaining Negerhollands Initial Clusters.”Linguistic Society of America /Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics Meeting, Chicago,IL.
- 1990 “Language Birth and Language Death: Variation in Negerhollands Initial Sc(r) Clusters.” NWAVE XIX, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.
- 1990 “The Origin of Negerhollands: A Reappraisal.” Penn Linguistics Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
- 1989 “Vowel Neutralization in Negerhollands.” NWAV XVIII, Duke University, Durham, NC.
- 1988 “An Investigation of Factors Relative to the Alternation of Harmonic Word Final Vowels in Negerhollands.” Penn Linguistics Colloquium University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.
- 1987 “Word Final Vowels in Negerhollands.” NWAV XVI, University of Texas, Austin, TX.
- 1986 “Some Limits of Cross Dialectal Comprehension.” The Penn Linguistics Colloquium, Philadelphia, 1986. With William Labov.
- 1985 “Towards a Description of Tense Marking in Negerhollands.” NWAV XIV, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.
- 1984 “Not Just Wishful Thinking-- A Practical Analysis of *Will/Would*.” 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Association of Caribbean Studies, Port of Spain, Trinidad, 1984. With P. Rodriguez
- 1983 “Plural Marking in Virgin Islands English Creole.” Penn Linguistics Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

***Refereed Presentations without published abstracts***

- 2010 “Monolingualism May be Hazardous to Our Health” A paper presented at Understanding Differences that Matter: Diversity Research at Auburn University. Auburn University, AL, March 12.
- 2009 “Linguistic Identity, Language Standardization, and Multilingualism: Implications for social, economic, and cognitive well being” Paper presented at the EGA Research Colloquium, March 25.
- 2008 “The Autobiography of a Self-Made Igbo Man.”Paper presented at the EGA Research Colloquium, Auburn University, AL, March 8.
- 2006 “Word Frequency, Language Learning, and Grammar.” EGO Interdepartmental Research Colloquium, Auburn University, AL, March 18.

- 2005 “Early English-Input into African American English: 17<sup>th</sup> Century English Plural Marking on the West African Coast.” EGO Intra-Departmental Research Colloquium. Auburn University, Auburn AL, April 16. With C. Escobar.
- 1980 “Characteristics of Virgin Islands English Creole.” 5th St. Thomas Reading Conference, St. Thomas, VI

***Invited presentations***

- 2011 “Getting Beyond the Culture Wars to the Benefits of Multilingualism” Cosmos and Culture clubs, Blountsville, Alabama.
- 2010 “Beyond the Culture Wars: What Multilingualism can do for you and your children” Tuskegee University, July 13.
- 2009 “Language Thugs, Grammar Writing, Cultural Hegemony, and the African Diaspora” Berry College, September 14.
- 2009 “Writing groups: pros, cons, and getting started. Breakfast with the RCC (Research Culture Committee) Auburn University Department of English. Panel Member.
- 2008 “Language, Linguistics, and Hubristic Eurocentrism” A paper presented at Understanding Differences that Matter: Diversity Research at Auburn University. Auburn University, AL, October 29-30.
- 2008 “The Benefits of Bilingualism.” A paper presented to the Auburn Women’s Club. Auburn, AL, February 28.
- 2006 “Language Learning and Cyber Space.” English Hour. Auburn University, AL. With M. Hu and Y. Ali, March 20.
- 2005 “Cognitive Advantages to Early Bilingualism” Simplex Education China Conference Bengbu, China, May 5; Huaibei, China, May 7.
- 2005 “Cognitive Advantages to Early Bilingualism” Simplex Education China Conference Huaibei, China, May 7.
- 2004 “Colloquium on the Survival of Creole Languages.” The 27th Biennial Society for Caribbean Linguistics Conference, Curacao, The Netherlands Antilles, Panel Member.
- 2004 “Plural Marking and the History of African American English.” The Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs Africana Studies Initiative Continuing Discourse Lecture Series. Auburn University, AL
- 1997 “Ties that Bind: Fieldwork as Apprenticeship.” Colloquium in Honor of Charlene Sato. American Association of Applied Linguistics, Orlando, FL.
- 1997 “Bridging C. P. Snow's *Two Cultures*” English Hour Auburn University. Panel member.
- 1995 “Our Changing Student Population.” English Hour. Auburn University, AL. Panel member
- 1994 “A Bee or Not a Bee; Was that a Question?” English Hour, Auburn University, AL With N. Haak
- 1994 “ESL Students and Composition.” English Department, Auburn University, AL. With B. Flick
- 1993 “Teachers with an Attitude.” English Hour. Auburn University, AL Panel member.

- 1993 “A Bee or Not a Bee; Is That a Question?” Motor Behavior Seminar, Auburn University, AL. With N. Haak
- 1992 “Caribbean Literature.” Great Books Faculty Development Seminar, College of Liberal Arts, Auburn University, AL. Panel member.
- 1990 “When the Village Dwindles Away: Two Views of Language Death.” Ideas-Sandwiched-In, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA. With M. Kotzin
- 1979 “Negative and Interrogative Structures in St. Thomas, V.I. Kindergarten Speech.” Conference on Theoretical Orientations in Creole Studies, St. Thomas, VI.

### **OTHER RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS**

- 2006 Organized Conference, Southeastern Conference on Linguistics LXXIII, 2006. With T. Nunnally
- 1993 Organized Conference, Language Variation in the South II, Auburn University, 1993. With C. Bernstein and T. Nunnally.

### **TEACHING**

#### ***In Progress Dissertation Committees***

- Beverly Corley, Ph. D. Candidate in Curriculum and Instruction, Member
- Anna Oggs, Ph. D. Candidate in English. Chair
- Peggy Lindsey, Ph. D. Candidate in English, Member

#### ***Completed Dissertations***

- 2010 Linxiang Zhu, Ph.D. Educational Foundations, Leadership, and Technology, Member  
*Chinese American Adolescents’ Self-Perceived Identities and Their Language Behaviors*
- 2009 Piper, Susan, Ph.D. Curriculum and Instruction. External Reader  
*Poetry Centers for the Purpose of Lowering Inhibitions of English Language Learners in the Constructivist English Language Arts Classroom.*
- 2009 Hu Min, Ph.D. English. Chair  
*Phonological Awareness in the Mandarin of Chinese and Americans*
- 2006 Linda Halliday, Ph.D. English, Chair.  
*Language Development of Same-Sex, Multiple-Birth Siblings: A Retrospective Nature/Nurture Study*
- 2000 David Brooks, Ph.D. History, External reader  
*The Linguistic Conquest of Spanish America: First-Contact Interpreters and Translator Acquisition Strategy as Primary Cause of Military Conquest, 1492-1565.*
- 1997 Barbara Baker, Ph.D. English, Member  
*The Blues Aesthetic and the Making of American Identity in the Literature of the South*

#### ***Completed Theses***

- 2010 Beth Topping M.A. English, Chair  
*Social and linguistic conditioning of the sociolinguistic variable (ai) among textile workers of Columbus, Georgia, and southeast Alabama*
- 2009 Rachel Reed M.A. English, Member

- Re-envisioning the giants: A longitudinal case study of one ESL learner*
- 2008 Alvaro Erce Villegas M.A. Spanish, Member
- The effects of animation and cueing in the acquisition of Spanish vocabulary*
- 2006 (J.) Daniel Hasty, M.A. English, Member
- What Do Y'all Think: A Study of Language Attitudes in the South*
- 2005 Sarah Liechty, M.A. in English, Member
- Literacy as Ideology in J.M. Barrie's Peter Pan*
- 2003 Anna Head, M.A. in English, Chair
- The Monophthongization of /ai/ in Elba and the Environs*
- 1997 Stacye Hathorn-Davis, M.A. Sociology Anthropology, and Archeology. Member.
- Language Use Among the Echota Cherokee: Current Use and Opinions about Ancestral Language Revival*
- 1997 Norman Hubbard, M.A., English. Chair
- Responsibly Reading Subversive Writing : Amos Tutuola's The Wild Hunter in the Bush of Ghosts*
- 1995 Donna Heinreich, M.A., Communication Disorders. Member.
- Selected Acoustical Aspects of the Vowels of Two Bilingual Speakers*
- 1995 Kathy Flann M.A., English, Member.
- Things Worth Finding Out (Creative fiction)*
- 1994 Margaret Schwindler M.A., English, Member.
- Emerson : Working in the Gap Between the Individualist and Social-Constructionist Views of Knowledge*
- 1993 Barbara Baker M.A., English, Member.
- Ulysses and the Joycean Entity*

### ***Completed Portfolio Review***

- 2011 Seunghui Lee, MA, Chair
- 2006 Xiangrong Liu, Master in Technical and Professional Communication, Member
- 2008 Lauren Boone, Master in Technical and Professional Communication, Member

### ***Graduate Courses***

Language and Literature of the African Diaspora  
 Second Language Acquisition Research  
 Language Learning and Development  
 Structure of English  
 The Social Context of Additional Language Acquisition: World Englishes

### ***Graduate Directed Readings***

African American English and Composition Theory  
 Cross-Cultural Contact with Particular Emphasis on the African Diaspora  
 ESL, Language Contact, and Language Learning in the African Diaspora  
 ESL Plural Marking  
 Language Variation in Southern Narrative  
 Language Variation, with Special Emphasis on Language Death: Cultural Contact and Language Death among the Cherokee

Learning Strategies in ESL  
Language Variation: Uptalk  
Motivation, SLA, and the African Diaspora

***Undergraduate/Graduate Courses***

Modern English Grammars

***Undergraduate Courses***

Business Writing  
Freshman Composition I, II  
Great Books II  
Honors Writing Seminar  
Introduction to linguistics  
Language and the Law  
Language Variation  
Linguistic Fieldwork  
Survey of Linguistics  
Technical and Professional Writing

***Undergraduate Directed Readings***

Quantitative Analysis of plural marking in Gullah  
Learning Strategies in ESL  
Language Variation: Uptalk

***Courses and Curricula Developed***

Language and Literature of the African Diaspora  
Linguistic Variation with C. Bernstein  
Linguistic Fieldwork  
Language and the Law  
Second Language Acquisition Research

**OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TO TEACHING**

2011 Participated in “Multi-Disciplinary Panel on Immigration”, sponsored by “Closing the Gap”  
2008 Hosted dissertation seminar  
2007, 2005 “Overview of In-Progress Research.” GTA Practicum Auburn University. Panel Member  
2005 Organized Linguistics Research Working Group  
2001 “Peer Reading.” GTA Practicum, English Department, Auburn University. Panel Member  
2001 “Research and Teaching.” GTA Practicum, Auburn University. Panel Member.  
2001 Organized Linguistics Reading Group  
2001 Organized English Hour Presentation: Auburn University Human Subjects Review Board

2001 Presentation on Plagiarism Auburn University English Center. Panel Member  
 1994 Organized Auburn University Linguistics Club, 1994. Advisor 1994-1996  
 1993-1997 Coordinated Intonation Research Group. With N. Haak  
 1992-1996 Organized and co-ordinated African Diaspora Reading Group. With D. Morton

**SERVICE**

***Auburn University & College of Liberal Arts***

2011 Africana Studies Annual Luncheon Committee, Chair  
 2009- Auburn University Faculty Senate Academic Computing Committee  
 2007- Africana Studies Advisory Committee, member.  
 2006-2007 Africana Studies Advisory Committee, Chair  
 2005 Chaired College Africana Studies Minor Committee, Chair  
 2005-2005 University Committee to Establish African Studies Program, Member  
 2000-2002 University Institutional Review Board for Use of Human Subjects in Research, Member  
 2001 University Search Committee for Educational Technology Advisor, Member  
 2000 College of Education Assurance Seminar, External member  
 2000 Search Committee for English Department Head, Member  
 1999 University Committee on Plagiarism, Member  
 1997-1999 University Academic Honesty Committee, Member  
 1994 Faculty Search Committee, Department of Communication Disorders. External Member

***Department of English***

2007-2009 Executive Committee, Member  
 2007-2009 Co-Chair Graduate Studies Committee  
 2002, 2007 M.A. Exam in Linguistics Revision Committee, Chair  
 2006, 2007 Member of search committee for two tenure-line positions in Rhetoric Composition, member  
 2000, 2001, 2002 Organizer Web Page workshop for new faculty, instructors, and GTAs  
 2000-2002 Graduate Studies Committee, Department of English, Member  
 2000-2002 Planning and Priorities Committee, Member  
 1999- 2009 Departmental Advisor  
 1994-2000 Undergraduate Committee, Member

***Other Academic Service***

2005- Webmaster and treasurer for Southeastern Conference on Linguistics (SECOL)  
 2005- Editorial Board *Southern Journal of Linguistics*  
 1997-1999 Editorial Board *Southern Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages*  
 2005- Editorial Board *Southern Journal of Linguistics*  
 1993-1998 Advisory Committee. *Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages*

Reviewer for Anthropological Linguistics, *Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages*, *Language, Variation and Change*, *Melus*, National Science Foundation, *SECOL Review*, and University of Georgia Press.

Dossier reviews for tenure and/or promotion

- 2008 for Dr. Pilar Garces-Conejos Blitvich, University of North Carolina, Charlotte (Promotion to Associate Professor)
- 2007 for Dr. Shondel Nero, Department of Teaching and Learning, New York University (tenure)
- 2006 for Dr. Bertis English, Department of History, Alabama State University (promotion to Assistant Professor).
- 2001 for Dr. Anita Herzfeld, Office of Latin American Studies, The University of Kansas (promotion to Professor)

Juried conference abstracts for LSA, SECOL, SECOL/SAMLA, and submissions for the Reza Ordoubadian Student Paper Award

#### ***Non-Academic Service***

- 2005 - Board Member, J.W. Darden Foundation, Inc.
- 2002 - Member, Opelika Cultural Diversity / Race Relations Task Force
- 1995 - Board member, Alabama InterTribal Council

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- 1981 - 2000, 2009- Linguistic Society of America
- 2001 - The Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas
- 1993 - 1995 American Association of Applied Linguistics
- 1990 - Southeastern Conference on Linguistics
- 1983 - Society for Caribbean Linguistics

## Appendix I

Projects completed as Acting, Assistant Director of Auburn University's Center for Diversity and Race Relations. This administrative position was part-time with two courses released in Fall, one in Spring, one course equivalent in summer.

### **Lecture Series**

*Not Just Desserts*: Monthly lecture series providing thought-provoking discussion of aspects of human diversity for the University community and the East Alabama general public. A number of nationally and regionally recognized academics and artists participated in this series. The series also highlighted research conducted by Auburn faculty and advanced graduate students. In its last year the lecture series was managed by a graduate student assistant under my supervision.

*Diversity Law Lecture Series*: Annual lecture focusin on diversity and our legal system.

Cosponsors: College of Liberal Arts and the PreLaw Society.

Discussion had begun to develop a Social Justice/Sustainability lecture series in cooperation with Auburn University's Sustainability Project that would be supported by the Jim and Janet Stone endowment.

### **Other Diversity Programming**

Established organized annual programs relevant to Alabama's three major population groups:

- Scottish American History Month (September): speakers, cultural display, caleigh
- War Eagle Indian Festival (November): In addition to living-history educators, lectures, dancers, drummers, story tellers, craft persons, and vendors of Native American crafts, the festival debuted a film on Horseshoe Bend, hosted two concerts and a month-long photography exhibit by an internationally acclaimed Native American photographer
- Black History Month (February): lectures and a month-long display of Nineteenth-century African American classicists
- St. Patrick's Day (March 17): lectures, concerts, and an annual tea
- Supervised construction of two displays for federally-mandated Constitution Day.
- Study Break Coffee Hours: These bimonthly events included diversity relevant audio or video. Coffee hours were hosted by CDRR-supported student groups and provided recruitment and teaching/learning opportunities

- Co-hosted the library's Up All Night study break

- Worked with campus units (e.g., Foreign Languages, College of Liberal Arts, AU Bookstore, Journalism, History, Center for Arts and Humanities, Department of English) to bring diversity-related events and lectures to campus.\

### **Web-based Projects**

Supervised building of the following Web Sites:

- Center for Diversity and Race Relations Website. This website is no longer on line; files available on CD.
- Beginning Mandarin: This project was used in Mandarin classes. It is no longer available.
- Beginning Arabic: This website is no longer available.

- Society for Caribbean Linguistics: A link on the site brought faculty and advanced graduate students, working in the Caribbean to Auburn University's Global Gateway

### **Proposals**

Prepared and distributed proposal for adding two years of instruction in Mandarin to current Foreign Language Offerings. The first course was taught Fall 2007.

### **Student Groups**

- Supervised establishment of American Indian Association
- Interim advisor for Asian Student Association
- Established semi-annual Leadership training for CDR- supported student groups and advisors.
- Coordinated Diversity tables at AU 150th anniversary street fair.

### **Other Diversity Activities**

- Participated in a week-long workshop in African American History at the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture.
- Participated in the College of Education Early English Learning Project, traveling to China as one of three faculty members who gave presentations to groups of educators and administrators.
- Delivered an exchange agreement with the College of the Bahamas and AU College of Liberal Arts
- Participated in the development of the Africana Studies Program.
- Established the Tuskegee Desegregation Oral History Archive which contains audio tapes and transcripts.
- Established working relationships with faculty at Alabama State University with respect to Civil Rights and Troy Montgomery with respect to the Holocaust.
- Attended National Conference on Race and Equality