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# Education

Ph.D.: University at Albany, State University of New York, Latin American

& Caribbean Studies, May 2002

**Academic Career:**

 Professor of Caribbean and Latin American Studies & at Jackson State

University

# Editorial/Advisory Board

* University Press of Mississippi
* Caribbean Writer
* International Journal of Women’s Studies
* South Asian Diaspora
* Open Journal of Women’s Studies
* Global Girmit Institute (Fiji)

# Reviewer

* Grant Applications for the National Endowment of Humanities (Program Officer) 2016, 2018
* Oxford University Press (manuscript)
* External Reviewer for a dissertation from the Acharya Nagarjuna University (India)
* External Reviewer for a dissertation from University of KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa)
* Journal of Social and Economic Studies
* Journal of Labor History
* Journal of South Asian Diaspora (5 times)
* Journal of Latin American & Ethnic Studies
* Journal of Small Axe
* Journal of Caribbean Quarterly (4 times)
* International Journal of Women’s Studies (3 times)
* Journal of Caribbean Writer
* Journal of Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power
* Palgrave (book proposal)
* Book Reviewer for the American Journal of Indic Studies

**Research Interests**

* Caribbean migration, ethnicity and identity

# Courses Taught

Jackson State University (2012 - )

* Graduate course: The History the Caribbean 530 online
* World Civilization 101 HISTORICAL (also online)
* World Civilization 102 MODERN (also online)
* History of Colonial Latin America 327
* History of Modern Latin America 328
* History of the Caribbean 329
* Historiography 337
* Seminar 447

University of the Virgin Islands (2002-2012)

* Introduction to the Social Sciences 100
* Introduction to Sociology 121
* World History or World Civilization 181 (also on Blackboard)
* World History or World Civilization 182 (also on Blackboard)
* Physical & Cultural Anthropology 225
* History of the United States 320 (also on Blackboard)
* Virgin Islands History 342
* Caribbean History 341 (also on Blackboard)
* US-Caribbean Relations 330
* Latin America 350 (also on Blackboard)

Skidmore College (2006-2007)

* Colonial Latin America 108
* Modern Latin America 109
* US-Caribbean Relations 217
* Caribbean Revolutions 217
* Colonial Caribbean 330
* Modern Caribbean 331

State University of New York at Albany (2000-2002)

* Introduction to Latin America 100
* The Caribbean: People, History, and Culture 269
* Latin America: Culture & Society 502 (co-taught this graduate class with former Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Dr. Carlos Santiago)

**Book Publications:**

1. *Migration and Multiculturalism in the United States Virgin Island*, University of Mississippi Press (Forthcoming 2021).
2. *Indian Caribbean: Migration and Identity in the Diaspora,* Jackson: University Press of Mississippi, 2018.

1. *Indian Indenture in the Danish West Indies,* London: Palgrave MacMillan, 2016.

1. *Indo-Caribbean Indenture: Resistance and Accommodation*, Kingston, Jamaica: University of the West Indies Press, 2007.

# Edited Books

1. *The Legacy of Indian Indenture: Historical and Contemporary Aspects of Migration and Diaspora***.** Maurits Hassankhan, **Lomarsh Roopnarine** and Hans Ramsoedh (Eds), New Delhi: Manohar Publisher 2016

1. *Social and Cultural Dimensions of Indian Indentured Labour and its Diaspora: Past and Present.* Maurits S. Hassankhan, **Lomarsh Roopnarine** and Radica Mahase (Eds), New Delhi: Manohar Publisher 2016

1. *Legacy of Slavery and Indentured Labour: Historical and contemporary issues in Suriname and the Caribbean*. Maurits S. Hassankhan, **Lomarsh Roopnarine**, Cheryl White and Radica Mahase (Eds), New Delhi: Manohar Publisher 2016

1. *Islam, Muslims and Indentured Labour: Diaspora Experiences of a Minority Group in Plural Societies*, Maurits S. Hassankhan, **Lomarsh Roopnarine** and Goolam Vahed (Eds), New Delhi: Manohar Publisher 2016

**Book Chapters**:

1. “Three Controversial issues in Guyana: Border controversy, Out-

Migration and Landownership” *The Contemporary Caribbean: Issues, Challenges and Opportunities,* Clinton Beckford (Ed),Hauppauge, NY: Nova Science Publisher (forthcoming).

1. “Migratory Patterns and integration among Indians in British Guiana after Indentured Emancipation 1920-1940.” In *The Abolition of Indian Indentured Migration* Maurits S. Hassankhan, Goolam Vahed, Marina Carter and Crispin Bates (Eds). Oxford Univ. Press India, Delhi (forthcoming).
2. “Labor Migrations of the Nineteenth Century” in *The Cambridge History of the Caribbean* edited by Edward Rugemer; Kristen Block; Anne Eller; Matthew Smith, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (forthcoming).

1. “The African Caribbean Experience: Continuity and Change” In *Africana Studies: A Survey of Africa and the African Diaspora,* Mario Azevedo (Ed), pp. 181-192, Durham, North Carolina: Carolina Academic Press 2018.

1. “Transnational migration during East Indian Indenture in British Guiana and Trinidad” *The Legacy of Indian Indenture: Historical and Contemporary Aspects of Migration and Diaspora***.** Maurits Hassankhan, Lomarsh Roopnarine and Hans Ramsoedh (Eds), pp 15-36, New Delhi: Manohar Publisher 2016.

1. “Resistance and Adaptation among Indentured Indian Laborers in British Guiana during Indenturedship” In *Resistance and Indian Indenture Experience: Comparative Perspective,* Mauritus S. Hassankhan, Brij V. Lal & Doug Munro (Eds), pp 157-182, New Delhi: Manohar Publishers, 2014.

1. “Environmental Policy Challenges and Growth in Guyana” *In Living at Borderlines: Issues in Caribbean Sovereignty and Development*. Cynthia Barrow-Giles and Don Marshall (Eds.), pp 276-303.Kingston, Ian Randle Publishers, 2003.

**Journal Articles:**

1. “The Village Peeper” (short story) *Caribbean Writer* Vol. 32 (2018):122-128
2. “Muslim Faith and Work Ethic in the United States Virgin Islands” *Journal of* *Muslim Minority Affairs* Vol. 36. Issue 1 (2016): 62-73.

1. “East Indian women and Leadership Roles during Indentured Servitude in British Guiana 1838-1920, *Journal of International Women Studies*, Vol. 16. No. 3 (July 2015): 174-185.

1. “East Indians in the United States Virgin Islands” *Social and Economic Studies* Vol.63. No. 1 (2014): 89-110

1. “A Critique of East Indian indentured Historiography in the Caribbean” *Labor History* Vol. 55. No. 3 (2014): 389-401.

1. “Guyana Population Movements and Societal Development” Institute of Developmental Studies, University of Guyana Special Series Paper #712 to commemorate the 50th Anniversary (1963-2013) of the University of Guyana, (2013).

1. “A Comparative Analysis of two failed Indenture Experiences in Post-emancipation

Caribbean: British Guiana (1838-1843) and Danish St. Croix (1863–1868)” *IberoAmericana* *Nordic Review of Latin American and Caribbean Studies,* Institute of Latin American Studies, Stockholm University*,* Vol. 42. No. 1 & 2 (2012): 203-230.

1. “Regulations and Remittances from British Indentured Guianese,” *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* Vol. 32. No. 3 (2012): 662-671.

1. “Draputie’s Vanishing Hopes” (creative short story) *Arts Journal*, (University of Guyana) Vol. 7, No 1 & 2 (Spring 2012): 50-54.

1. “St. Croix’s Secession Movement in the United States Virgin Islands: Sentimental or Serious,” *Journal of Eastern Caribbean Studies* Vol. 36, No. 1, (2011): 43-65

1. “Indian Migration during Indentured Servitude in British Guiana and Trinidad, 18501920,” *Labor History* Vol. 52. No. 2, (2011): 173-192.

1. “The Challenges of CARICOM Integration: The Barbadian-Guyanese Impasse,” *Transition*, Institute of Developmental Studies at the University of Guyana Vol. 40, (2011): 62-91.

1. “Maroon Resistance and Settlement on Danish St. Croix,” *Journal of Third World Studie*s Vol. 27, Issue 2, (2010): 89-108

1. “Social Identity in the Modern United States Virgin Islands,” *Social Identities:*

*Journal for the Study of Race, Nation and Culture* Vol.16, No.6. (November 2010): 791-807.

1. “The Indian Sea Voyage between India and the Caribbean during the second half of the Nineteenth Century.” *Journal of Caribbean History* Vol. 44. No. 1. (2010): 48-74.

1. “Repatriation and Remittances of ex-Indian Indentured from Danish St. Croix, 18681873” *Scandinavian Journal of History* Vol. 35. No. 2. 2010: 247-267.

1. “Indian Social Identity in Guyana, Trinidad and North American Diaspora,” *Wadabagei: A Journal of the Caribbean and its Diaspora* Vol. 12. No. 3. (2009): 87125.

1. “The First and Only Crossing: Indian Indenture on Danish St. Croix 1863-1868” *South Asian Diaspora* Vol. 1. No. 2, (2009): 113-140.

1. “United States Virgin Islands Migration,” *Social and Economic Studies* Vol. 57: 3 & 4, (2008): 131-156.

1. The Repatriation, Readjustment, and second-term Migration of Ex-indentured Indian Laborers from British Guiana and Trinidad to India 1838-1955” *New West Indian Guide* Vol. 83. No.1 & 2, (2009): 71-97.

1. “The Other Side of Indo-Caribbean Indentureship: Land-ownership, Savings and Remigration” *Journal of Caribbean History* Vol. 42. No. 2. (December 2008): 205-230.

1. “Eastern Caribbean Islanders in St. Croix: Intra-Island Migration and Ethnic Relations” *Journal of Caribbean Studies*. Vol. 22. No. 3. (2008): 137-154.

1. “Guyanese Indian Diaspora within the Caribbean: Migration and Identity.”  *Man in India: A Quarterly International Journal of Anthropology.* Vol. 88, No. 1: (2008): 5770.

1. “The Return of East Indian Indentured servants from the Caribbean to India 18381920” *Journal of Caribbean History* Vol. 40, No. 2, (2006): 308-324.

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1. “The Dilution of the Caste System among Caribbean East Indians”, *La Torre*, Vol.

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2. David Gilmour, *The British in India: A Social History of the Raj*, Farrar, Straus and Giroux: New York, 2018. *The Historian* Vol. 81 No. 4 (Winter 2019) (forthcoming).
3. Radhika Mongia, *Indian Migration and Empire: A Colonial Genealogy of the Modern State*. Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2018 *The Historian* Vol. 81 Issue. 3 (Fall 2019): 510-511.
4. Marilyn Krigger, *Race Relations in U.S Virgin Islands: St. Thomas –A Centennial Retrospective.* Durham, North Carolina: Carolina Academic Publishing. *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. Vol. 42. Issue 11 (2019): 2387-2389.
5. Ashutosh Kumar. *Coolies of the Empire: indentured Indians in the sugar colonies, 1830-1920*. Cambridge, United Kingdom; New York, NY, Cambridge University Press, 2017. *Labor History*. Vol. 60. Issue 5 (2019): <https://doi.org/10.1080/0023656X.2019.1651686>
6. Dave Ramsaran and Linden Lewis. *Caribbean Masala: Indian in Guyana and Trinidad,* Jackson: University Press of Mississippi, 2018. *Journal of Urban Affairs*. Vol. 60. No. 2. (2010): <https://doi.org/10.1080/07352166.2019.1588578>
7. Colbert I. Nepaulsingh, *The Birth of the Kabir Panthi Movement in Trinidad*. Port of Spain, Paria Publishing Co. Ltd, 2018. *Caribbean Quarterly.* Vol. 65. Issue 2 (2019): 308-310.
8. Edwin L. Martin, *Stranded Batsman*, Meadville, Pennsylvania: Create Space Independent Publishing Platform, 2017. *Journal of Caribbean History* Vol. 53. No. 1 (2019): 181-185.

1. Llana Barber, *Latino City: Immigration and Urban Crisis in Lawrence,*

*Massachusetts*, *1945-200*, Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2017 *Latin Americanists* Vol. 62. No. 3 (2018): 606-607.

1. [Vibert C. Cambridge](https://www.scribd.com/author/289752052/Vibert-C-Cambridge) *Musical Life in Guyana: History and Politics of Controlling Creativity.* Jackson, Mississippi, University Press of Mississippi. 2015*, Caribbean Writer* Vo. 32 (2018): 236-239.

1. Steven Hyland*, More Argentine than You: Arabic-Speaking Immigrants in Argentina*.

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1. Jan Lowe Shinebourne*, The Last Ship,* Leeds: Peepal Tree, 2015, *Caribbean Writer* Vol. 30. (2016): 343-344.

1. Tony Martin, *Caribbean History: Pre-Colonial Origins to the Present*, Boston:

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1. Keith Tinker, *The Migration of Peoples from the Caribbean to the Bahamas*, Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2010, *Ethno History* Vol. 63. No. 1 (2016): 203-204.

1. Hillary McD Beckles, *Britain’s Black Death: Reparations for Caribbean Slavery and Genocide,* Kingston: University of the West Indies Press, 2013 *Journal of Third World Studies* Vol. 32. No. 1 (2015): 351-352.
2. Robert E. May, *Slavery, Race and Conquest in the Tropic: Lincoln, Douglas and the Future of America*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013, *Journal of Mississippi History* Vol.LXXVII, No. 1 & 2 (2015):100-101.

1. PETER MANUEL *Tales, Tunes, and Tassa Drums: Retention and Invention in IndoCaribbean Music*Urbana, University of Illinois Press 2014, *Ethnomusicology Forum* Vol. 24. Issue 3 (2015): 480-82.

1. C. J. Fuller& Haripriya Narasimhan: *Tamil Brahmans,* *The Making of a MiddleClass Caste*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2014, *Journal of Intercultural Affairs* Vol. 36. No 4. (2015) 508-510.

1. Jan Lowe Shinebourne, *Chinese Women*, Leed: Peepal Tree Press, 2010, *Journal of Caribbean Literatures* Vol. 7, No. 2 (2013): 217-218.

1. Khalil Rahman Ali, *Sugar Sweet Allure,* London: Hansib Publication, 2013 *Journal of Caribbean Literatures* Vol. 7, No. 2 (2013): 215-216.

1. Rupert, Linda M. *Creolization and Contraband*: Curacao in the Early Modern Atlantic World. Georgia: University of Georgia Press, 2012, *European Review of Latin American and Caribbean Studies* Vol. 98, (2015): 126-128.

1. *Coolie Pink and Green*, film by Patricia Mohammed, *Journal of Asian Diasporic Visual Cultures and the Americas* Vol. 1 (2015): 185-187.

1. JoAnne Poblete, *Islanders in the Empire: Filipino and Puerto Rican Laborers in Hawai‘i* University Press of Illinois, *Labor History* Vol. 65. No. 1 (2015): 113-114.

1. Colin A. Palmer, *Cheddi Jagan and the Politics of Power: British Guiana’s Struggle for Independence* University of North Carolina Press: Chapel Hill, 2010, *Social & Economic Studies* Vol. 63. No. 3 & 4 (2014): 348-350.

1. Rahul Bhattacharya, *The Sly Company of People Who Care*, New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2011, *Journal of West Indian Literature* Vol. 22. No. 2 (2014): 83-85.

1. April J. Mayes, *The Mulatto Republic: Class, Race, and Dominican National Identity* Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2014 *Caribbean Quarterly* Vol. 60, No. 3 (2014): 104-05.

1. Toyin Falola,*The African Diaspora: Slavery, Modernity, and Globalization,* University of Rochester Press, Rochester NY, 2013.  *African Affairs* Vol.114. Issue 454 (2015): 168-169.

1. Gaiutra Bahadur, *Coolie Woman: The Odyssey of Indenture*, The University of Chicago Press, Chicago, 2013, *Journal of Intercultural Affairs* Vol. 35. No. 4. (2014): 464-65.

1. Emmanuel C. Nwagboso, Anarchy and the Quest for Political Stability in Sierra

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1. Lilia Fernandez, *Brown in the Windy City: Mexicans and Puerto Ricans in Postwar Chicago*, Chicago, University of Chicago Press, 2013, *Ethnic and Racial Studies* Vol. No. 10 (January 2014): 1973-1975.
2. Kathleen Lopez, *Chinese Cubans: A Transnational History*, The University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill, 2013, *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History* Vol.

15. No. 1. (2014) DOI: [10.1353/cch.2014.0018](http://dx.doi.org/10.1353/cch.2014.0018) .

1. Rosanne, Kanhai, *Bindi: The Multifaceted Lives of Indo-Caribbean Women*, Kingston, University of the West Indies Press, 2011 *International Journal of Women Studies* Vol. 15, No. 1 (2014): 228-229.

1. John Gimlette, Wild Coast: Travels on South America’s Untamed Edge, Alfred A.

Knoff, New York, 2011, *Caribbean Quarterly* Vol. 59, Nos. 3 & 4 (2013): 194-196.

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# Interviewed by Reporters and Journal Editors

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2. Interviewed by Samantha Harlow on the radio program Caribbean Conscious on Indian identity on October 18, 2018.

1. Interviewed by Suman Guha Mozumder for *India Abroad* Magazine on Indo-Caribbean community mourns the death of Nobel laureate Naipaul on August 15, 2018.
2. Interviewed by Aisiri Amin, Correspondent for *Little India Magazine* on Beyond Coolie Identity in the Caribbean on October 1, 2017.

1. Interviewed by Sidsel Nyholm, U.S. correspondent, for the Daily Danish newspaper, *Kristeligt Dagblad* on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of Denmark's sale of the Virgin Islands to the United States on March 15, 2017.

1. Interviewed by Danish Journalist Jon Mathorne on Danish West Indies with regard to The constitutional match provides conflict in former Danish colony on March 13, 2017.
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# Conference Presentations

1. Contesting and Contextualizing: Caribbean East Indian Identity,” A paper presented at Calibanías y Caribeñidades: Espacios y Topografías Calibans and Caribbeanisms: Spaces and Topographies Calibanismes et Antillanismes: Espaces et Topographies conference at the Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI 5 April -7 April 2018.

1. “Misconceptions of Indian Plantation Indenture” A paper presented at the conference on

The State of Indian Caribbean Diaspora 100 years after the Abolishment of Indenturedship,” at Columbia University, New York on December 2, 2017.

1. “Combating Decay during Indian Indentured Servitude in the Nineteenth century”, a paper presented at the 45th Annual Conference on South Asia at Madison, Wisconsin, October 19-24, 2016.

1. “Ethnic Conundrum in the United States Virgin Islands” a paper presented at National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on February 11, 2016.

1. “Indentured Indian Historiography in the Anglophone Caribbean”, a paper presented at the Indian Diaspora: Identity, Trajectories and Tran nationalities conference at the University of the West Indies in Trinidad, May 12-16, 2015.

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1. “Transnational Connections during Indenture” a paper presented at the Indentured Labor Route International Conference in Mauritius on November 2-5, 2014.

1. “Hispanic Hybridization in the United States Virgin Islands” a paper presented at National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates at Mississippi College, Clinton Mississippi on April 29, 2014.

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1. “Lecture on 150th anniversary of the Arrival of East Indians in Danish St. Croix”, a paper presented to the Landmark Society of St. Croix, United States Virgin Islands on March 10, 2014.

1. “Black Radicalism in the United States Virgin Islands,” a paper presented the Radical Caribbeans conference, New Orleans, Louisiana on October 4, 2013.

1. “Problems and predictions in Caribbean East Indian Indentured Historiography” a paper presented at the 150th anniversary of the abolition of Slavery and Indenture conference in Suriname on June 6, 2013.

1. “Hispanics on St. Croix: Migration and Identity,” a paper presented at National Association of Hispanic and Latino Studies Conference, Baton Rouge Louisiana, on February 14, 2013.

1. “African identity in the Caribbean: Cultural Continuity and Change,” a paper presented at Jackson State University October 30, 2012.

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1. “Asian Identity in the Caribbean.” A paper presented at the Conference on The Islands in Between: Language, Literature and Culture of the Eastern Caribbean on 6 November 2009, Dominica.

1. “St. Croix Secession Movement in the United States Virgin Islands: Independence or Insularity,” a paper presented at the University of Puerto Rico on October 10, 2008.

1. “Indo-Caribbean Resistance and Accommodation,” a paper presented at the University of Puerto Rico on October 10, 2008.

1. “Intra-Caribbean Migration: St Lucians to the United States Virgin Islands, St. Croix,” a paper presented at the Association of Caribbean Historians Conference in

Commemoration of the 200th Anniversary of the Abolition of the African Slave Trade in Trinidad in May 2006.

1. “Indo-Caribbean Migration within the Caribbean,” a paper presented at the International

Literary Conference: “Caribbean Migrations: Negotiating Borders” at Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada on the 18-22, July, 2005.

1. “The Social Transformation of Caribbean East Indians,” a paper presented at the International East Indian Diaspora Conference: East Indians in the Caribbean: Reflections of the Past; Charting the Way Forward at the University of the West Indies, Trinidad on the 28th and 29th of May 2005.

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1. “Managing Guyana’s Forest Regions and the Development of Urban Forests:

Cooperation and Challenge,” Proceedings of the 9th Annual Caribbean Urban and Community Forestry Conference in St. John, USVI, June 2004: 36-41. (wrote a paper but unable to present).

1. “Migration under Indo-Caribbean Indenture Servitude 1838-1917” a paper presented at the 29th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association, St. Kitts Marriott Resort, Frigate Bay, St. Kitts, between May 31and June 5, 2004.

1. “A History of Intra-Indo-Caribbean Migration,” a paper presented at the Indian Diaspora in the Caribbean Conference: The Global Interface on St Augustine Campus, Trinidad, on the 21 and 22 of May 2004.

1. “Creating Opportunities out of Indo-Caribbean Indenture”, a paper presented at the Conference: Globalization, Diaspora and Identity Formation at the Hotel Krasnapolky, Paramaribo, Suriname between 26 and 29 of February 2004.

# Contributions to Jackson State University

* Served on Search Committee for an Assistant Professor of History
* Served on the Search Committee for an Assistant Professor of Philosophy
* Serving on the Interdisciplinary Programs and Initiatives Committee
* Serving on the Student International Programs Committee
* Serving on Student Advising Committee
* Serving on the Graduate Admissions and Scholarship Committee
* Serving on the Technology Committee
* Serving on the College Tenure and Promotion Committee

# Contributions to the University and the Community of the United States Virgin Islands

* Served as Chair of the Assessment Committee on Social Science Majors (Psychology, Criminal Justice, Social Work and Social Sciences)
* Served on the Periodic Review Report (PRR) on Institutional Effectiveness to be submitted by University of the Virgin Islands to the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE)
* Served on the Distinguishing Lecture Series/Committee
* Served on the Library Committee
* Served on the Faculty Policy Manual Committee
* Served on the Technology Committee
* Served on Isaac Dookhan Memorial Committee
* Served on the Job search Committee for Masters of Business Administration faculty
* Served on the Alexander Hamilton Committee for the Government of the Virgin Islands and the University of the Virgin Islands
* Served on the Scholarly and Creative Committee
* Served as Chair and Coordinator of Social Science 100 Freshman course (8 Sections)
* Represented the University of the Virgin Islands at a conference held by former Prime Minister Vere Bird of Antigua and Barbuda
* Examiner for summer praxis examinations at the University of the Virgin Islands
* Member of the Virgin Islands Historical Society
* Reviewer for a number of peer-reviewed journals
* Board member for Virgin Islands Humanities Council
* Presented a paper on Haiti’s earthquake at the University of the Virgin islands
* Presented a paper on the late Rex Nettleford at the University of the Virgin Islands
* Presented a paper on Socialist Leaders in the Caribbean at the University of the Virgin Islands
* Presented a paper to the Police Department of the United States Virgin Islands
* Former advisor for the Police Science Associate Degree  Advisor for Social Science Major
* Reader for four Master’s thesis in Psychology and Education

# Awards & Honors

* Distinguished Doctoral Dissertation “Indo-Caribbean Indenture: Creating Opportunities out of Adversity” State University of New York at Albany, 2002.
* Visiting Scholar at Skidmore College 2006-2007
* Promoted to Associate Professor Fall 2009 at University at the Virgin Islands
* Granted Tenure Summer 2010 at the University of the Virgin Islands
* Recognized for the most published faculty member at the University of the Virgin Islands 2008-2009
* Received acknowledgement as a reviewer by Oxford University Press to have my name placed in the preface of Franklin Knight’s book *The Caribbean: The Genesis of a Fragmented Nationalism (3rd edition)* Oxford: Oxford University Press 2010
* Specifically nominated by my department for inclusion in an important study (*Common Core State Standards Initiative Validity Study)* that focuses on better preparing high school students for the rigor of college coursework
* Member of Editorial Board for the *Journal of Indo-Caribbean Studies* (University of Warwick)
* Member of Editorial Board for the Journal of *South Asian Diaspora*
* Member of Editorial Board for the *International Journal of Women’s Studies*
* Member of Editorial Board for the *Caribbean Writer*
* Member of Board of University Press of Mississippi
* Received the University of Virgin Islands mini-grant for the margin of excellence in 2009
* Received sabbatical for Fall 2011 at University of the Virgin Islands
* Received sabbatical for Fall 2017 at Jackson State University
* Received 2018 Sybil and Gordon Lewis Caribbean Studies Association Book Award
* Received 2014 Faculty Excellence Award in the area of teaching, research and service in the History Department at Jackson State University
* Promoted to Full Professor in 2017 from Jackson State University

# Professional Membership

* Association of Caribbean Historians
* Association of Virgin Islands Historians
* Board Member of University Press of Mississippi
* Executive Member of Association of Indentured Historians