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Education

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

May 2019 Ph.D. in Social Work and Developmental Psychology

(Anticipated) Dissertation Title: "We gon' be alright": Racism, Media, and the Sociopolitical Development of

Black Youth

Co-Chairs: Daphne C. Watkins, Ph.D. and Stephanie J. Rowley Ph.D.

2016 Master of Social Work (MSW)

Practice Method: Interpersonal Practice

Practice Concentration: Children, Youth, and Family

University of Maryland, College Park

2012 Bachelor of Arts in African American Studies (Cum Laude with High Honors)

Thesis: Unveiling the Strong Black Woman: The Influence of Strength in Black Women's

Pursuit of Mental Health Services

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology (Cum Laude)

Research Interests

My research focuses on understanding the sociocultural factors that promote Black youth's resiliency and empowerment in the context of racism. In particular, I examine how parents, communities, and media contribute to Black youth's understanding of their social identities, psychological wellbeing, and community engagement.

Grants

2018	Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant (\$3,000)
2018	Bobbe and Jon Bridge Research Grant Award for Engaged Scholarship $(\$5,000)$
2018	Rackham Travel Grant (Conference Travel, \$800)
2017	Social Work Dean's Conference Award (Conference Funding, \$400)
2016	Rackham Travel Grant (Conference Travel, \$800)
2015	Rackham Travel Grant (Conference Travel, \$800)
2014	Arts of Citizenship, Graduate Student Grant in Public Scholarship (Principal Investigator-Our Voices: A Youth Participatory-Action Research Program, \$8,000)
2014	Rackham Travel Grant (Conference Travel, \$800)

Fellowships

2018	W. K. Kellogg Family Endowed Fellowship (\$10,000)
2018	Faculty Allies for Diversity (Manuscript Writing Fellowship, \$2000)
2017	Vivian A. and James L. Curtis Endowed Scholarship (\$15,000)
2017	Center for Engaged Academic Learning (Engaged Pedagogy Initiative Fellow, \$500)
2016	Faculty Allies for Diversity (Manuscript Writing Fellowship, \$2000)
2014	National Science Foundation (Graduate Research Fellowship, 3 years of stipend and tuition support)
2014	Ford Foundation (Predoctoral Fellowship, 3 years of stipend and tuition support)
2013	Rackham Merit Fellowship (Predoctoral Fellowship, 3 years of stipend and tuition support)

Publications

Peer Reviewed Publications

- 7) Bañales, J., Mathews, C., Hayat, **Anyiwo, N.** & Diemer, M (in press). Latinx and Black Young Adults' Pathways to Civic/Political Engagement. *Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology*
- 6) Bañales, J., Marchand, A.D., Skinner, O., **Anyiwo, N.,** Rowley, S.J. & Kurtz-Costes, B. (in press). Black adolescents' critical reflection development: Parents' racial socialization and attributions about race achievement gaps. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*.
- 5) Anderson, R. E., Jones, S., **Anyiwo, N.,** McKenny, M., & Gaylord-Harden, N. (2018). What's Race Got to Do With It? Racial Socialization's Contribution to Black Adolescent Coping. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*. Advance online publication. doi: /10.1111/jora.12440
- 4) Anyiwo, N., Ward, L. M., Fletcher, K.D., Rowley, S. (2018). Television usage and African American adolescents' endorsement of mainstream gender roles and the strong Black woman schema. *Journal of Black Psychology*. 44, 371-397. doi: 10.1177/0095798418771818
- 3) Anyiwo, N., Bañales, J., Rowley, S.J., Watkins, D.C., & Richards-Schuster, K. (2018). Sociocultural influences on the sociopolitical development of Black Youth. *Child Development Perspectives.* 12, 165-170. doi: 10.1111/cdep.12276
- 2) Goodwill, J.R., **Anyiwo, N.,** Williams, E.G., Johnson, N.C., Mattis, J.S. & Watkins, D.C. (2018). Media representations of popular culture and the constructions of Black masculinities. *Psychology of Men & Masculinity*. Advance online publication. doi: 10.1037/men0000164
- Rucker, J. M., Neblett Jr, E. W., & Anyiwo, N. (2014). Racial identity, perpetrator race, racial composition of primary community, and mood responses to discrimination. *Journal of Black Psychology*, 40, 539-562. doi: 10.1177/0095798413499371

Manuscripts under Review and Revision

- 2) Anyiwo, N., D.C, Richards-Schuster, K., & Jerald, M. (under review). Using Critical Media Literacy and Youth-Led Research to Promote the Sociopolitical Development of Black Youth: Strategies from "Our Voices".
- 1) Gale, A., Bruce, W., A., Anyiwo, N., & Thomas, A. (under review). Examining psychological functioning and GPA for Black middle-class youth: Do gender and adolescent perceptions of school climate matter?

Manuscripts in Preparation

- 3) Marchand, A. D & **Anyiwo**, **N.**, (in preparation). Developmental contexts and societal beliefs that promote Latinx youth's sociopolitical action and activist identity.
- 2) Richards-Schuster, K., Reed, L., **Anyiwo, N.**, Gale, A., & Rodriguez-Newhall, A. (in preparation) Implementing youth participatory action research: Lessons learned from practice
- 1) **Anyiwo, N.,** D.C, Richards-Schuster, K., Watkins, D.C., (in preparation). "Our Voices": An evaluation of a media and youth participatory action research program for Black youth.

Technical Reports

- 2) Uzell, R., Anyiwo, N., Palacios, M., Simon, C., Hart, R., & Casserly, M., (2013) Beating the odds: Analysis of student performance on state assessments. Results from the 2011-2012 school year *Council of Great City Schools*. Retrieve from:
 - https://www.cgcs.org/cms/lib/DC00001581/Centricity/Domain/87/FINALBTO12%2012.pdf

Uzell, R., Simon, C., Palacios, M., Anyiwo, N., Guzman, A., Lewis, S., & Casserly, M (2012). Beating the odds XI Executive Summary. Analysis of student performance on state assessments. Results from the 2010-2011 school year. *Council of Great City Schools*. Retrieve from: https://www.cgcs.org/cms/lib/DC00001581/Centricity/Domain/87/BTO%20Executive%20Summary %202012.pdf

Presentations

Oral Presentations

- 15) Marchand, A., **Anyiwo, N.,** Diemer, M. (October 2018). Developmental Contexts and Societal Beliefs that Promote Youth Critical Action and Activist Identity. Paper to be presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Conference on the Use of Secondary and Open Source Data in Developmental Science. Phoenix, AZ
- 14) Bañales, J, Mathews, C, Hayat, N., **Anyiwo, N.,** & Diemer, M. (October 2018). Developmental Contexts in the Political/Civic Action Pathways of Latinx and Black American Young People. Paper to be presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Conference on the Use of Secondary and Open Source Data in Developmental Science. Phoenix, AZ
- 13) Anyiwo, N., Johnson, N., Marchand, A., & Rowley, S. (June 2018). School-Based Racial Discrimination and Black Youth's Achievement Gap Beliefs. Paper presented at the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issue Conference. Pittsburgh, PA
- 12) Marchand, A., & **Anyiwo**, N., (June 2018). Youth Political Action: The Influence of Peers & Parents. Paper presented at the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issue Conference. Pittsburgh, PA
- 11) Anderson, R., Jones, S, **Anyiwo**, **N.**, McKenny, M., & Gaylord-Harden, N. (April 2018). What's Race Got to do with it? Racial Socialization's Contribution to Black Adolescent Coping. Paper presented at the Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting, Minneapolis, MN
- 10) Bañales, J, Mathews, C, Hayat, N., Anyiwo, N., & Diemer, M. (April 2018). Critical Consciousness and Diverse Forms of Political Engagement among Young Adults of Color. Paper presented at the Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting, Minneapolis, MN
- 9) Anyiwo, N. (January 2018). Discussion about Race in a Media-Based After-School Program. In N. Anyiwo (Chair) To be Young & Black: Using Intervention to Examine How Black Parents and Youth Make Meaning of Racialized Experiences. Symposium presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Conference, Washington, DC.
- 8) Anyiwo, N. (August 2016). Our Voices: An After-School Program to Promote the Sociopolitical Development of Black Youth. Paper presented at the Association of Black Psychologists International Convention. Crystal City, VA
- 7) **Anyiwo, N.** (July 2016). Our Voices: An Exploration of Black youth's Racial Identity and Civic Engagement. Paper presented at the APA Division 45 Research Conference. Stanford, CA
- 6) Anyiwo N. & Ward, L.M. (June 2016). Television Usage and Adolescents' Endorsement of Traditional Gender Roles and Strong Black Woman Schema. Paper presented at the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues. Minneapolis, MN
- 5) Smith-Bynum, M., Gray, D., Franco, M., **Anyiwo, N.,** Davis, B., & English, D. (March 2015). Racial Socialization among Asian American, Latino, and African American Youth: Measurement and Links to 5) Identity and Attitudes. Paper presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Philadelphia, PA
- 4) Richards-Schuster, K., Rodriguez-Newhall, A., Reed, L., **Anyiwo, N.,** & Gale, A. (October 2015). Implementing Youth Participatory Action Research: Lessons Learned from Practice. Paper presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting. Denver, CO

- 3) Robinson, M.M., Banks, K., Moore, C., Williams, R., & Anyiwo, N. (July 2015). Warrior Healers Of Ferguson: Community Healing In The Midst Of Crisis. Paper presented at the Association of Black Psychologists International Convention. Las Vegas, NV
- 2) Anyiwo, N. & Ward, L.M. (July 2015) Music Consumption, Ethnic Identity, and Black Youth's Racial Attitudes. Paper presented at the Association of Black Psychologists International Convention. Las Vegas, NV
- 1) Anyiwo, N., Neblett, E.W., Jr. & Rucker, J. (April 2013). Racial Identity, Gender, and Responses to Racial Discrimination: An Intersectional Approach. Paper presented at the Society for Research on Child Development Conference. Seattle, WA

Posters Presentations

- 5) Gale, A. & **Anyiwo**, **N.** (June 2014). Schooling Black Boys: Do Perceptions of School Climate Impact Psychological and Academic Outcomes? Poster presented at the Black Graduate Student Conference in Psychology. Washington, DC.
- 4) **Anyiwo, N.,** Marchand, A. & Rowley, S. (March 2014). School Based Discrimination and School Misconduct: The Influence of Racial Socialization and Gender. Poster presented at the Society of Research on Adolescence. Austin, TX.
- 3) Franco, M., Smith-Bynum, M., & Anyiwo, N. (June 2013). Mothers' Racial Identity and their Endorsement of President Barack Obama. Poster presented at the Association of Black Psychologists International Convention. New Orleans, LA
- 2) Rucker, J., Neblett, E.W., Jr., & Anyiwo, N. (April 2013). Racial Identity, Perpetrator Race, Racial Composition of Primary Community and Mood Responses to Discrimination. Poster presented the Society for Research on Child Development Conference. Seattle, WA
- 1) **Anyiwo, N.,** Ashton, S., Smith-Bynum, M., & English, D. (July 2011). The Role of Black Mother's Racial Identity and Experience of Racism in Socialization. Poster presented at the Association of Black Psychologists International Convention. Crystal City, VA

Invited Presentations, Panels, & Workshops

- 4) "What Now? A Critical Conversation about Community Healing, Black Youth Engagement, Sociopolitical Context, and Policy" Roundtable workshop facilitated with Mark Bolden, Ph.D. and Charlayne Hayling-Williams, Ph.D. at the Youth-Nex Conference on Social Justice, Civic and Political Engagement. Charlottesville, VA (October 2017)
- 3) "#BestRevengeIsYourPaper Funding Yourself and Your Research in Graduate School". Panelist for the Association of Black Psychologists International Convention, Crystal City, VA (August 2016).
- 2) "Unafraid to Matter: Empowerment and Skill Development for Persons of African Descent in the Academies". Moderator for a Plenary Session for Association of Black Psychologists International Convention. Crystal City, VA (August 2016).
- "African American Communities as Sources of Healing in Youth and Family Trauma". Panelist for the New Leaders in African-Centered Social Work Scholars Program. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (January 2016).

Campus and Community Workshops

- 10) "Applying to PhD Programs" Panelist for the Department of Psychology. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. (September 2018)
- 9) "What We Hold on to: Understanding our Emotional Load" Workshop facilitated for YouthBuild.

- Ypsilanti, MI (July 2017)
- 8) "Emotional Load and Community Engagement: What do we bring to our activism?" Workshop facilitated for the Youth Leadership Council for the Corner Health Center. Ypsilanti, MI (June 2017)
- 7) "Grants in Public Scholarship Workshop". Panelist for the Rackham Program in Public Scholarship. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (November 2016).
- 6) "Coping and Masculinity" Workshop facilitated for Washtenaw County Youth Center. Ann Arbor, MI (March 2016)
- 5) "Grants in Public Scholarship Workshop". Panelist for the Rackham Program in Public Scholarship. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (November 2015).
- 4) Graduate Education and Change through Public Scholarship". Panelist for the Rackham Program in Public Scholarship Institute for Social Change. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (August 2015).
- 3) "Black Identity in the U.S". Presentation for Black Student Union. University of Maryland, College Park, MD (November 2011).
- 2) "The African American Family". Presentation with Dr. Mark Bolden for the Black Student Union. University of Maryland, College Park, MD (March 2011).
- 1) "My Black is Beautiful". Panelist for the African American Studies Society. University of Maryland College Park, MD (March 2010).

Research Experience

Winter 2016- Graduate Student Researcher

Present GendHR (Gender and Health Research) Lab

School of Social Work, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Research Mentor: Daphne Watkins, Ph.D.

Fall 2013- Graduate Student Researcher

Present P.R.I.D.E (Parenting and Race in Development and Education) Lab

Department of Psychology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Research Mentor: Stephanie Rowley, Ph.D.

Fall 2012- Research Intern

Spring 2013 Council of Great City Schools

Washington, DC

Research Mentors: Ray Hart, Ph.D., Renata Lyson, M.S., Candice Simon Benn, M.Ed., MDA &

Moses Palacis, M.S.Ed.

Fall 2012 Research Intern

National Resource Center on Domestic Violence

Washington, DC

Research Mentor: Kenya Fairley, M.S.Ed & Karen O'Brien, Ph.D.

Fall 2010- Research Assistant

Spring 2012 Black Families Research Group

Department of Family Science, University of Maryland, College Park

Research Mentor: Mia Smith Bynum, Ph.D.

Summer 2011- Research Assistant

Fall 2012 Comprehensive Assessment and Intervention Program

Department of Psychology, University of Maryland, College Park

Research Mentor: Andres De Los Reyes, Ph.D.

Summer 2012 Student Fellow

Moore Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Research Mentor: *Enrique Neblett, Jr., Ph.D.*

August 2010- Research Assistant

December 2011 Center for Health Disparities Solutions

Prevention Science Research Center, Morgan State University

Research Mentor: Mark Bolden, Ph.D.

Teaching Experiences

Fall 2015- Grader for Intergroup Dialogues

Present The Program on Intergroup Relations, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

 Provide grades and intricate feedback on social justice-oriented papers for undergraduate students in intergroup dialogues courses on race, SES, white identity, and religion

Winter 2017

Graduate Student Instructor for Introduction to Developmental Psychology

& Fall 2015

Department of Psychology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

- Developed supplementary curriculum and syllabus
- Independently led weekly discussion sections with lessons
- Provided individualized instruction through office hours
- Graded papers and in class assignments

Summer 2010

Workshop Coordinator and Reading Instructor for Camp Shule

Nyumburu Cultural Center, University of Maryland

- Created curriculum and taught daily lessons to develop reading and critical thinking skills for campers entering the 9th -11th grades
- Supervised camp counselors in their development and facilitation of weekly workshops (Drama, Music, Vocabulary, Stepping, and Etiquette)
- Created and facilitated two new workshops, Debate- to improve public speaking and critical thinking, and Brother/Sister-to discuss topics such as self-esteem and educational goals

Summer 2009

Reading and Writing Instructor for Camp Shule

Nyumburu Cultural Center, University of Maryland

- Created curriculum and taught daily lessons to develop reading and critical thinking skills for campers entering the 8th and 9th grade.
- Supervised camp scholars in daily workshops, classes, and recreational activities

Guest Lectures

"Writing and Publishing Theory Papers". Guest lecture for the doctoral course, "Theories of Change". School of Social Work, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (February 2018).

"Social Work Strategies for Youth Engagement". Guest lecture for the master's course, "Social Justice and Diversity". School of Social Work, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (November 2017).

"Applications of Intersectionality". Guest interview for massive open online master's course "Social Justice and Diversity" School of Social Work, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (March 2017).

Clinical Experiences

September 2013-May 2014 School Social Work Intern at Henry Ford Academy: School for Creative Studies (Field Placement)

Detroit, Michigan

• Facilitated weekly psychosocial group interventions to students (6-11th grade) with IEP, cognitive delays, and behavioral issues

• Conducted individual crisis intervention sessions with students

Helped advise the Mustang Ambassadors-civic engagement after school program

Spring 2010

Help Center: Peer Counseling and Crisis Intervention Hotline

University of Maryland, College Park

 Trained on methods to provide counseling to peers on the telephone and in walk in session

• Conducted observations and provided feedback to peer counselors

Community Involvement

Fall 2018-Present Committee Member for EMBODI (Empowering Males to Build Opportunities for

Developing Independence)

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, Ann Arbor Alumnae Chapter

Spring 2016 Creator and Coordinator of the Cultural P.R.I.D.E Workshop Series for Gear Up

Office of Academic Multicultural Initiatives, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

June 2014 and Life Skills Coaching Facilitator for the Michigan Health Sciences Pre-College Exposure

June 2015 Academy

Office of Health Equity and Inclusion, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Spring 2012 Mentor for Saturday Freedom School,

Department of African American Studies, University of Maryland, College Park

Fall 2008 – Mentor for the Prison to College Pipeline,

Fall 2010 Justice for DC Youth, Washington, DC

Service

Fall 2018- Present Faculty Allies of Diversity Committee, School of Social Work

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

February 2018- Distinguished Faculty Committee School of Social Work

April 2018 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Fall 2017-Present Doctoral Committee, School of Social Work,

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Fall 2016-Present Adhoc Revieweer for the Journal of Black Psychology

Fall 2013- Present Black Student Psychological Association, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Member (Fall 2013-Present)

Chairperson (Spring 2016- Spring 2017)

Community Outreach Chair (Fall 2014- Spring 2016)

Fall 2016-Spring Graduate Student Leadership Council, Department of Psychology,

2017 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Committee Member

Fall 2014- Spring Joint Program in Social Work and Social Science Buddy Program, University of

2017 Michigan, Ann Arbor

Peer Mentor

September 2011- Association of Black Psychologists, Ft. Washington, Maryland

August 2017 National Student Circle Past Chairperson (July 2015- August 2017)

National Student Circle Chairperson (July 2014- July 2015) National Student Circle Chair-Elect (July 2013- July 2014)

Eastern Regional Undergraduate Representative (September 2011- July 2013)

January 2016- Grant Selection Committee for the Arts of Citizenship Grant in Public

February 2016 Scholarship, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

October 2015- Search Committee for a Joint Position in Psychology and African American

January 2016 Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

September 2013- Michigan Association of Psychology Scholars', University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

May 2014 Mentor

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Fall 2011-Spring

ng Search Committee for the Chair of African American Studies, University of Maryland,

2012 College Park

Student Representative

Selected Honors and Awards

- 2016 Scholar-Activist Award: presented to students who are engaged in social justice work (also awarded in 2015)
- Society for Research on Child Development Millennium Scholar: nationally selected to participate in a mentoring program dedicated to training the generation of child development researchers
- **2012 University of Maryland Medallion Society:** awarded to the top 10 female and top 10 male students that exhibited exceptional citizenship and service to the campus community
- John B. Slaughter Outstanding Senior Award: presented to a senior of the African Diaspora who has been active at University of Maryland campus, has been an advocate for the needs of students, and has an outstanding academic career
- Mary McLeod Bethune Award: presented a senior who has contributed most significantly to the advancement of the Black student community at the University of Maryland and the general interest of the University
- **Society of Research on Adolescence Young Scholar:** nationally selected to participate in a mentoring program dedicated to training the generation of adolescent researchers
- 2012 The Irv & Micki Goldstein Scholarship Award: awarded to student who has shown commitment to serving their campus and community at the University of Maryland
- 2011- Phillip Merrill Presidential Scholar: selected as 1 of the 25 most successful seniors at University of
- 2012 Maryland, College Park
- **School of Public Health Junior Undergraduate Scholar:** selected as the top junior in the School of Public Health at the University of Maryland *(also awarded 2009)*
- **2011 Jennifer F. Lewis Foundation Scholarship:** awarded to a student with an unstoppable drive, a extensive community service, and exceptional academic achievement
- 2011 Ulysses S. Gless Community Service Award: presented to the undergraduate student who has exhibited excellent leadership skills and service to the community on and off campus at the University of Maryland

- 2010 Rawlings Undergraduate Leadership Fellow: selected to participate in leadership and public policy training program
- 2010 Nyumburu Cultural Center Top Ten Award: presented to top ten student leaders (also awarded in 2009)
- 2010 MVP Award for Extensive Community Engagement and Activism: awarded to a student who show extensive engagement in activism at the University of Maryland

Affiliations/Memberships

- Society for Social Work Research
- Association of Black Psychologists
- Society for Research on Adolescence
- Society of Research in Child Development
- Association for Psychological Science
- Psi Chi International Honor Society
- Phi Eta Sigma Honors Society
- Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society
- Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society

References

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Katie Richards-Schuster, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor, School of Social Work Director of Undergraduate Minor Programs kers@umich.edu

Daphne C. Watkins, Ph.D.

Associate Professor, School of Social Work Faculty Associate, Research Center for Group Dynamics, daphnew@umich.edu