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RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Culturally Responsive Teaching in Special Education: Blended Teaching Using Black Parents of Autistic Students as Partners

EDUCATION:

MASTER OF SCIENCE – Social Work,
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

BACHELOR OF ARTS – Psychology/Human Services,
RUSSELL SAGE COLLEGE

PUBLICATION:

<https://www.tandfonline.com/eprint/BVXRZ2VVXPIAZ8CWIMEX/full?target=10.1080/09362835.2022.2100392>

PRESENTATIONS / SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

UNC – Chapel Hill
Course Title: SPHS 880 Autism Seminar
Guest Speaker: Parent Panel
February 2024

Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities
Guest Speaker: Student Question and Answer re: Parenting a teen-ager on the Autism Spectrum
January 2024

TCOM: 19th Annual Conference
From Family Engagement to Family Partnerships
Conference Keynote Recording on You Tube
October 2023
<https://youtu.be/wbTrkxzvCZs?si=dh6f04lbvn3ZGci6>

MOREHOUSE COLLEGE
National African American Child and Family Research Center (NAACFRC)

Navigating the Challenges of Parenting a Black Adolescent with Autism: What I am Learning.
Webinar Training
Presenter: April 2023

Kalamazoo Regional Educational Service Agency (KRESA): Moving from Family Engagement to Family Partnership
Webinar Training
Presenter: March 2023

Westchester Institute for Human Development (WIHD): The Intersect of Disability with Race, Gender, and Culture
Webinar Training
Presenter: February 2023

Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities (CIDD): Navigating the Complex World of Parenting an Adolescent with Autism
Webinar Training
Presenter: January 2023

Strategies for Teaching Autism Research (STAR) Culturally Responsive Practices with BIPOC Students
Webinar Training
Presenter: November 2022

Public Consulting Group: Understanding the Hidden Barriers to Teaching BIPOC Students
Webinar Training
Presenter: October 2022

20th Milestones National Autism Conference: Navigating the Complex World of Autism Spectrum Disorder for BIPOC Children and Adolescents: A Parent's Prospective
Presenter: September 2022 - Webinar

AHRC Nassau: DEI Conference: Beyond the Comfort Zone:
Understanding and Eradicating Injustice, Racism, and Inequity in the Field of Developmental Disabilities: Parents and Educators Advocating in Allyship: Navigating the Complex World of Autism Spectrum Disorder for Children and Adolescents of Color
Co-Presenter: May 2022

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

North Carolina Chapel Hill University – School of Education Co-Teacher – Families and Teams: 2023-2024

North Carolina Chapel Hill University – School of Education Co-Teacher – Families and Teams; 2021-2022

North Carolina Chapel Hill University – School of Education Co-Teacher – Families and Teams 2019 -2020.

South Colonie Central School District - Equity Education Series: ACT – Designing a Response

COMMUNITY PROJECT:

Blended Teaching Using Black Parents of Autistic Students as Partners: Culturally Responsive Teaching in Special Education. This community project collaborates with Dr. Tammy Ellis-Robinson at the University of Albany.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT:

Family Expectations and Concerns Regarding the Transition to Adulthood for Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder who Have Intense Support Needs (ASD-ISN), PI: Tamira White to Sponsor.

Preparing Personnel to Use High-Quality Inclusive Practices for Young Children with Autism and High-Intensity Needs and Their Families PI: Jessica Amsbary

LEADERSHIP:

North Carolina Educational Equity Fellow
Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disorders (NC LEND),
Maternal Child Health Leadership Consortium,
NYS Partners in Policymaking Graduate,

HONORS / AWARDS:

Kellas Scholar (Academic)
Who's Who Among Students at Colleges and Universities
Matilda Joslyn Gage Humanitarian Award (Academic)

MEMBERSHIPS / AFFILIATIONS:

North Carolina Area Health Education Center (AHEC), Presenter
National Association for the Dually Diagnosed Committee, Member
HRSA, Peer Reviewer
SAMSHA, Peer Reviewer
NIMH Peer Reviewer (Present - 2025)

Fostering Advocacy, Communication, Empowerment, and Supports IES
Advisory Board Member

CERTIFICATIONS:

North Carolina Licensed Clinical Social Worker C006338 (LCSW) March 2009 - March 2025
National Association for the Dually Diagnosed – Dual Diagnosis Specialist (NADD-DDS)

ORGANIZATION:

Living Autism Out Loud, LLC
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