

JENIFER L. BRATTER

Department of Sociology
Rice University
6100 Main Street
Houston, Texas 77005
phone: (713)348-4254 · fax: (713) 348-5296 · e-mail:jbratter@rice.edu

Education

Ph.D. Sociology w/ emphasis in Demography, University of Texas-Austin, August 2001
M.A., Sociology, University of Texas at Austin, May 1998
B. A. Psychology, Pennsylvania State University, May 1995

Current Positions

2013- Editorial Board, Journal of Health and Social Behavior (3 year term)
2011- Associate Editor, Population Research and Policy Review
2011- Program Director of Program for the Study of Ethnicity Race and Culture,
Kinder Institute of Urban Research
2010- Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Rice University

Previous Positions

2006 – 2010 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Rice University
2008 – 2009 Associate Director, Center on Race, Religion, and Urban Life
2002 –2006 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Houston
2001– 2002 Senior Research Associate, Decision Information Resources, Inc.

Awards & Honors

George R. Brown Award for Superior Teaching, 2014

Recipient of the *Woodrow Wilson National Foundation Fellowship* for Career Enhancement of Junior Faculty (2009-2010)

- [Stipend for Teaching Release (\$30,000), Funds for Research: \$1,500]

Poster Blue Ribbon for Poster Presentation

King, Rosalind and Jenifer Bratter. “What about Having the Children? Racial Differences in Fertility between Interracial and Same-Race Couples?”

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Schilt, Kristen and Jenifer Bratter. *Conditionally Accepted* "From Multiracial to Multigender? Assessing Attitudes toward a Transgender Category on the Census". *Transgender Studies Quarterly*

Bratter Jenifer and Sarah Damaske, 2013. "Poverty at a Racial Crossroads: Poverty among Multiracial Children in Single Mother Families". *Journal of Marriage and Family* 75(2): 486-502

Bratter, Jenifer and Rachel Kimbro. 2013. "Multiracial Children and Poverty: Evidence from the Early Childhood Longitudinal Study of Kindergarteners" *Family Relations* 62(1) :175-189

Bratter, Jenifer and Bridget Gorman. 2011. "Is Discrimination an Equal Opportunity Risk? Racial Experiences, Socioeconomic Status and Health Status among Black and White Adults." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 53(3): 365-382

**Authors are listed alphabetically, contribution is equal

Bratter, Jenifer and Bridget K. Gorman. 2011. "Does Multiracial Matter? A Study of Racial Disparities in Self-Rated Health." *Demography* 48(1): 127-152.

**Authors are listed alphabetically, contribution is equal

Bratter, Jenifer and Holly Heard. 2009. "Mother's, Father's, Both: Parental Gender and Racial Classification of Multiracial Adolescents." *Sociological Forum* 24 (3): 658-688.

Bratter, Jenifer and Rosalind King. 2008. "But Will It Last?": Duration of Interracial Unions Compared to Similar Race Relationships." *Family Relations* 57: 160-171.

Bratter, Jenifer. 2007. "Will 'Multiracial' Survive to the Next Generation?: The Racial Classification of Children of Multiracial Parents." *Social Forces* 86(2): 821 – 849.

Reprinted in:

Racism in Post-Race America: New Theories, New Directions (pp79-94), edited by Charles Gallagher, Social Forces Publishing 2008.

King, Rosalind and Jenifer Bratter. 2007. "A Path to Interracial Mate Selection: Choosing First Partners and Husbands across Racial Lines." *The Sociological Quarterly* 48(2) 343-369.

Solis, Patricio, Thomas Pullum, and Jenifer Bratter 2007. "Homogamy in Monterrey, Mexico: Changes and Continuity." *Population Research and Policy Review* 26: 279-298.

Bratter, Jenifer and Karl Eschbach, 2006. "What about the Couple? Interracial Marriage and Psychological Distress." *Social Science Research* 35(4): 1025-1047.

Bratter, Jenifer and Karl Eschbach. 2005. "Race/Ethnic differences in Non-Specific Psychological Distress: Evidence from the National Health Interview Survey." *Social Science Quarterly* 86:620-644.

Raley, R. Kelly and Jenifer Bratter. 2004. "Not Even if you were the Last Man on Earth: How Marital Constraints Affect the Likelihood of Marriage." *Journal of Family Issues* 25(2) 167-181.

Bratter, Jenifer and Zuberi, Tukufu. 2001 (Published in 2003). "The demography of difference and Interracial Marriage: Shifting Trends of Racial diversity and interracial marriage, 1960-1990." *Race and Society* 4: 133-148.

Bratter, Jenifer. 2000. "A Matter of Place, Region, and Race: A Spatial Discussion of Black-White Intermarriage in 1990." *Sociological Imagination* 37(4): 283-305.

Book Chapters

Bratter, Jenifer and Christa Mason. Invited. "Multiracial Americans and Health Care Policy: Assessment and recommendations for a pathway forward" *Race Policy and Multiracial Americans* edited by Kathleen Korgen. Policy Press

Bratter, Jenifer. *Accepted* "United States Demography" *International Handbook of Demography of Race and Ethnicity* edited by Rogelio Saenz, David Embrick, and Nestor Rodriguez

Bratter, Jenifer. 2010 "The One-Drop Rule through a Multiracial Lens: The Role of Race and Class in the Racial Classification of Partially Black Children." Edited by Kathleen Korgen. *Multiracial Americans and Social Class: The Influence of Social Class on Racial Identity*. Routledge Press.

*Winner, Routledge Book of the Month, August 2010

Bratter, Jenifer and Tukufu Zuberi. 2008. "As Racial Boundaries 'Fade': Racial Stratification and Interracial Marriage." Pp 251-267 in *White Logic, White Methods: Racism and Methodology*.

Editors: Eduardo Bonilla Silva and Tukufu Zuberi. Rowan and Littlefield

*Co-Winner of 2009 Oliver Cromwell Cox award for the Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities

Bratter, Jenifer and Holly E. Heard. 2010. "In the Name and Race of the Father?: The Role of Father – Child Interactions in the Identity of Multiracial Adolescents." in *Multiethnic Families: Identity, Development, and Well-Being*, Honolulu: Le'A Press

Grant Activity

Roth, Wendy, Jenifer Bratter, and Mary Campbell. 2013. "Measuring the Diverging Components of Race in Multiracial American" American Sociological Association, Fun for the Advancement of the Discipline (from the National Science Foundation). Granted, details pending

Opting Out or Careers Deferred? Gender Differences in the Graduate School Experience. Investigators: Bridget K. Gorman, Kristen Schilt, and Jenifer Bratter. *Funding for Advancement of the Discipline*. (2010)

Funds Awarded: \$5,534.00

“What about these Children? Assessing Poverty among the “Hidden Population” of Mixed-Race children in single parent families”

Funded by the Young Investigator’s Program *University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research* (2009)

Funds Awarded: \$7,500.00

Bratter, Jenifer (PI) “DNA Ancestry and Race: Unmasking the Biological side of racial identity”
George R. Brown Teaching Innovation Grant (\$4950.00)

Bratter, Jenifer (PI) “**Race and Health Behaviors: Investigating the Role of Racial Mixture**”
Social Science Research Institute, School of Social Sciences, Rice University

Gorman, Bridget K. (Co-PI), Kristen Schilt (Co-PI), and Jenifer Bratter (Co-Investigator).

“**Gender Differences in the Graduate School Experience.**”

- 2013-2017 (waves 6-) funded by the Office of Graduate and Post-Graduate Studies

Gorman, Bridget K. (Co-PI), Kristen Schilt (Co-PI), and Jenifer Bratter (Co-Investigator).

“**Gender Differences in the Graduate School Experience.**”

- 2007-2009 (waves 1&2) funded by the ADVANCE Mini-Grant Program, Rice University. Award: \$11,039.

Social Science Research Essentials. Principle Investigator: Tracy X. Karner, with Jenifer Bratter and Marilyn Espitia. Faculty Development Initiative Program B. University of Houston, Fall 2004. Award Amount: \$15,000

Blurring the Color Line: Interracial Marriage and Multiracial Identity in the Black Population
Principle Investigator: Jenifer L. Bratter. New Faculty Research Program, University of Houston, Summer 2004. Award Amount: \$3,000

Book Reviews and Other Publications

Bratter Jenifer and Ellen Whitehead. *Submitted*. “Population Composition by Race and Ethnicity: North America” International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences, edited by Irma Elo, Andrew Foster, and James Wright

Bratter, Jenifer. Invited and submitted. “Biracial Identity in America: Forming and Performing Identity” *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*

Bratter, Jenifer. 2012. “The Nature of Race: How Scientists Think and Teach about Human Difference” *American Journal of Sociology* 117(6): 1846-1848

Bratter, Jenifer. *Published on-line October 2012*. “Transcending Racial Boundaries: Toward a Mutual Obligations Approach” *Social Forces*

Bratter, Jenifer. "Culture Keeping: White Mothers, International Adoption, and the Negotiation of Family Difference" *Gender and Society*

Bratter, Jenifer. 2006. "Census Statistics" (Pp 81-83) *Encyclopedia of Multicultural Psychology*, edited by Yo Jackson. Thousand Oaks SAGE publications.

Bratter, Jenifer. 2004. "'What about the Couple?': Exploring the Presence of Psychological Distress among Interracial Couples." *Family Focus* Newsletter of the National Council of Family Relations.

In Progress

Damaske, Sarah and Jenifer Bratter. "Employment, Race, and Single Mothers: Is Employment Equally Beneficial Across Race?"

Bratter, Jenifer, Mary Campbell, and Jarron Saint Onge. "Smoking at a Racial Intersection: the Association between interracial Unionship and Smoking behavior"

Porter, Jeremy, Jenifer Bratter, and Bridget K. Gorman. "Residential Segregation, Interracial Contact, and Black-White Differences in Self-Rated Health"

Smith, Chelsea, Kristen Schilt, Bridget Gorman, Becky Wade, Jenifer Bratter. "Gender Differences in Trajectories of Family Formation During Graduate School"

Bratter, Jenifer. "The Color of Class between the lines: Multiracial Families and Socioeconomic Standing"

Mederios, Rose and Jenifer Bratter. "Is a Diverse Future a Multiracial Future? Population Projections of Multiracial Groups"

King, Rosalind and Jenifer Bratter. "What about Having the Children? Racial Differences in Fertility between Interracial and Same-Race Couples?"

Heard, Holly and Jenifer Bratter. "Mothering at the Margins: Patterns of Mother-Child Relationships in Mixed-Race and Single-Race Families."

Invited Presentations and Papers Presented at Professional Meetings

Invited Presentations

2013 Bratter, Jenifer, Mary Campbell, and Jarron Saint Onge. "Smoking at a Racial Intersection: the Association between interracial Unionship and Smoking behavior", Department of Sociology, University of Pennsylvania (presented by Mary Campbell)

- 2013 Campbell Mary and Jenifer Bratter. "Interracial Contact and Health Behaviors: A thought piece examining how interracial connections Challenge the assumption of health disparities research" Conference on Reconsidering Race: Interdisciplinary Approaches, Texas A & M University, May 3-4th, 2013.
- 2012 Bratter, Jenifer "Poverty at a Racial Crossroads: Poverty Among Multiracial Children in Single Mother Families" Racial Ethnic Studies Institute, Texas A & M University
- 2011 Bratter Jenifer, "Child Poverty at a Racial Cross Roads" Department of Sociology. University of North Carolina
- 2011 Bratter Jenifer and Sarah Damaske, "What About These Children: Single Assessing Poverty Among the 'Hidden Population' of Multiracial Children in Single-Mother Families" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Council of Contemporary Families
- 2009 Bratter, Jenifer and Bridget Gorman. "Is Racial Discrimination an Equal Opportunity Health Risk: Racial Discrimination, Social Class, and Health Status among Black and White Adults." Presented at University of Iowa, Theory Seminar (April 23rd – 25th)
- 2009 Bratter, Jenifer and Bridget Gorman. "Does Multiracial Matter: A Case of Racial Health Disparities." Indiana University, Graduate Student symposium on Race (March 27th - 29th).
- 2008 Bratter, Jenifer and Bridget Gorman. "Is Racial Discrimination an Equal Opportunity Health Risk: Racial Discrimination, Social Class, and Health Status among Black and White Adults." Population Research Center, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2008 Bratter, Jenifer and Bridget Gorman. "Does Mixed Race Matter: A Case of Racial Health Disparities." Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology.
- 2007 Bratter, Jenifer and Karl Eschbach. "What about the Couple? Interracial Marriage and Psychological Distress." Population Research Center, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2006 Bratter, Jenifer and Holly E. Heard. "In the Name and Race of the Father?: The Role of Father – Child Interactions in the Identity of Multiracial Adolescents." *Multiethnic Families: Identity, Development, and Well-Being Conference*. University of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 2005 Bratter, Jenifer. "Passing on the Culture of Knowledge of Race: Racial Identification of Multiracial Children of African American Mothers." *21st-Century Motherhood Conference*, Women's Studies Department, University of Houston.
- 2004 Bratter, Jenifer. "Assimilating Blackness: Multiple-Race Identification and African American Mate Selection." Department of Sociology, Rice University.

- 2003 Bratter, Jenifer. “Mythical ‘Declining Families’ and Texas Realities: Finding from the 2000 U.S. Census.” Texas Economic and Demographic Association.
- 2002 Bratter, Jenifer and Tukufu Zuberi. “Demography of Difference and Interracial Marriage” Seminar on Racial Statistics and Public Policy, University of Pennsylvania.

Papers presented at National and Regional Conferences

- 2014 Bratter, Jenifer, Mary Campbell, and Jarron Saint Onge. “Smoking at a Racial Intersection: the Association between interracial Unionship and Smoking behavior”
- 2013 Bratter, Jenifer. “The Color of Class between the lines: Multiracial Families and Socioeconomic Standing” Paper presentation at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
- 2012 Damaske, Sarah and Jenifer Bratter. “Employment, Race, and Single Mothers: Is Employment Equally Beneficial Across Race?” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Work and Family Research Network
- 2012 Mederios, Rose and Jenifer Bratter. “Is a Diverse Future a Multiracial Future? Population Projections of Multiracial Groups” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Sociological Association*.
- 2011 Bratter Jenifer and Sarah Damaske, “What About These Children: Single Assessing Poverty Among the ‘Hidden Population’ of Multiracial Children in Single-Mother Families” Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
- 2010 Gorman, Bridget K., Jenifer Bratter, Kristen Schilt, and Amy Cook. “Do Happy Graduate Students = Future Academics? The Role of Mentorship in the STEM-Gender Gap” Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
- 2010 Schilt, Kristen and Jenifer Bratter. “From Multiracial to Multigender? Assessing Attitudes toward a Transgender Category on the Census”. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Sociological Association*.
- 2010 Porter, Jeremy, Jenifer Bratter, and Bridget K. Gorman. “Residential Segregation, Interracial Contact, and Black-White Differences in Self-Rated Health” paper presentation for the *Southern Demographic Association*
- 2009 Bratter, Jenifer and Bridget Gorman. “Is Racial Discrimination an Equal Opportunity Health Risk? Health Status Among Black and White Adults.” Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
- 2008 Bratter, Jenifer and Bridget Gorman. “Does Multiracial Matter? A Case Study of Racial Health Disparities.” (Also presented at the Southern Demographic Association in 2007.)

- 2008 Bratter, Jenifer and Holly Heard. "Mother's, Father's, Both: Parental Gender and Racial Classification of Multiracial Adolescents." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Sociological Association*.
- 2007 Bratter, Jenifer. "Will 'Multiracial' Survive to the Next Generation?: The Racial Classification of Children of Multiracial Parents." Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
2006. Heard, Holly and Jenifer Bratter. "Parental Involvement: Does Mixed Race Matter?" Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
2004. Bratter, Jenifer. "Race/Ethnic Differences in Non-Specific Psychological Distress: Evidence from the National Health Interview Survey." Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
- 2004 Bratter, Jenifer. "Assimilating Blackness?: Multiple-Race Identification and African American Mate Selection." Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *American Sociological Association*
- 2003 Bratter, Jenifer and Karl Eschbach. "Between Acculturation and Assimilation: Interracial Contact and Psychological Distress." Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
- 2001 King, Rosalind and Jenifer Bratter. "The Processes of Interracial Marriage." Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
- 2001 Solis, Patricio and Jenifer Bratter. "Patterns of Homogamy in Monterrey Mexico." Southern Demographic Association.
- 2000 Raley, R. Kelly and Jenifer Bratter. "Not Even if You Were the Last Man on Earth: How Marital Constraints Affect the Likelihood of Marriage." Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
- 2000 Zuberi, Tukufu and Jenifer Bratter. "Demography of Difference and Interracial Marriage: An Empirical Description of Increasing Diversity and Interracial Marriage." Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *American Sociological Association*
- 2000 Bratter, Jenifer. "Where is the Love?: An Analysis of Metropolitan Characteristics of Interracial Residence in 1990." Society for the Study of Social Problems.
- 2000 Bratter, Jenifer. "A Spatial Analysis of Black-White Interracial Marriage: Applying a Macro-Structural Framework." Southwestern Social Science Association.

- 1998 Pullum, Thomas, Andres Peri, and Jenifer Bratter. "Patterns of Inter-Marriage by Race/Ethnicity and Education in the United States: Partitioning the Degrees of Freedom." Paper presented at the Annual meeting of the *Population Association of America*
- 1998 Bratter, Jenifer. "Barriers Uncrossed: Residential Segregation and Interracial Marriage Among African Americans." (Round table) Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Sociological Association*
- 1997 Bratter, Jenifer. "White Interracial Marriage: Examining the Roles of Social Status and Environment among Husbands in New York State." Southern Demographic Association.
- 1994 Bratter, Jenifer. "Trans-racial Adoption of African Americans by Whites." Southern Demographic Association.

Professional Activities

- Elected, Secretary-Treasurer, Family Section, American Sociological Association section
- Session Organizer, Discussant, Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America (2013)
- Southern Demographic Association, Vice President (2011- 2012)
- Elected to Board, Southern Demographic Association (2009-)
- Ad Hoc Reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology*, *Social Forces*, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, *International Migration Review*, *Social Science Quarterly*, *Demography*, *Social Science Research*, *American Sociological Review*, *Sociological Compass*
- Referee for the *National Science Foundation Sociology Program*
- Session Chair and Discussant, Population Association of America, "Mate Selection and Romantic Relationships" (2012)
- Session Organizer, Annual Meeting of the Population Associate of America for Session "Race, Gender, and Health Outcomes" (2010)
- Session Organizer, Annual Meeting of the Population Associate of America for Session "Gender Stratification and Health" (2010)
- Session Organizer, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association Regular Session "Culture and Identity".
- Member, Work Family Research Network

Program Events (PSERC / Race Scholars at Rice)

Houston Neighborhood Data Library

Symposium on Teaching

"Having the Talk: Teaching Race in the Undergraduate Classroom": Hosted all day teaching symposium, April 6th 2013

Dialogue Partners Book Club

October 2013:

March 2013: William C. Rhoden, *40 Million Dollar Slaves*, Hosted by Bomani Jones

October 2012: *Black Wealth / White Wealth* by Melvin Oliver and Thomas Shapiro

Junior Scholars Colloquium

November 2012: Kimberly Macellaro, “Sui Sin Far's Jekyll and Hyde: Divided Subjects and Utopian Alternatives”

October 2012: Elizabeth Farfán-Santos, “Anthropology, *Quilombos*, and the State: Defining the Boundaries of Black Identity in Multicultural Brazil”

Invited Lectures

Verna Keith, “The Nuances of Blackness: Race, Complexion, and Well-Being”

Mignon Moore, “Invisible Families, Gay Identities, Relationships, and Motherhood among Black Women”

Ann Morning,

Co-Sponsored Activities

February 2013: Invited Lecture, “Wrestling with the Left: The Making of Ralph Ellison’s *Invisible Man*”

Teaching Experiences

Rice University

Undergraduate Courses

Social Statistics (Soci 382)

Multiracial America (Soci 329)

Identities in Diverse World

Population and Society

Introduction to Sociology

Graduate Seminars

Race and Family

University of Houston (*Undergraduate and Graduate-Level*)

Sociology of the Family

Senior Seminar: Theories of Race

Introduction to Social Statistics (Graduate)

Student Mentorship & Independent Study Courses at Rice University

- Undergraduate Independent Study Courses (9 courses to date)
- Chair, Honor's Thesis Committee, Catherine Yuh (expected Defense April 2014)
- Chair, Honor's Thesis Committee, Sarah James
- Member, Honor's Thesis Committee, Adara Robbins
- Member, Honor's Thesis Committee, Adrianna Chrestopoulos
- Member, Honor's Thesis Committee, Karen Gerken
- Mentor, Century Scholars Program
- Mentor, Alley Lyles (Paper submitted to undergraduate paper competition at the Annual Meeting of Association of Black Sociologists – 2nd Place winner).
- Mentor, Alicia Burns-Wright (Study on Images of Mixed Race women in 18th and 19th Century Fiction).

Dissertation Committee, Rice University

- John Marks, Department of History
- James Wainwright, Department of History
- Chandra Jack, Department Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
- Michael Colley, Department of Sociolinguistics

Master's Theses and Internship Reports, Rice University

- Mackenzie Brewer
- Laura Freeman
- Sandra Alvear
- Laura Essenburg

Master's Theses and Internship Reports, University of Houston

- Laura Potter
- Jennifer Karas
- Alicia Palao (chair)
- Gina Benski (chair)
- Kimberley Penn
- Rituparna Basu, Pharmacy School

Dissertation Committee, University of Houston

- Tameka Susberry, Psychology Department

Departmental Service

- Co-Chair, Faculty Search Committee (2013)
- Co-Chair, Faculty Search Committee (2012)
- Chair, Accreditation Committee (2012-)

- Member, Graduate Committee (2011-)
- Internal Reviewer for Tenure Case (2010)
- Post-Doctoral Fellow Faculty Mentor (Sarah Damaske) 2009-2011
- Member, committee evaluating Rice Undergraduate experience (2007)
- Co-Chair, Junior Search Committee (2007)

Departmental Lecturers Hosted and other activities

- Host to Kerry Ann Rockquemore, speaker through CORRUL Speaker Series (2007)
- Host to Nikki Jones, visiting speaker (2008)
- Host to Joseph Feagin, visiting speaker (2009)
- Constructed “Welcome to Rice” document for new faculty (2006)
- Proposal for Post-Baccalaureate in Sociology (2006)

College and University Service

- Faculty advisor, Multiracial Students at Rice (2013 -)
- Council of Diversity and Inclusion, Council Member (2011-)
- Steering Committee, Center for the Study of Women Gender and Sexuality (elected, 2012-)
- Committee for University Curriculum (2011 -)
- Divisional Academic Advisor, Duncan College (2009- 2010)
- Committee Member, Social Science Faculty Advisor Committee (2007-2008)
- Committee Member, President’s Diversity Task Force (2006-)
- Black Student Association Advisor (2007-)
- Lecturer, Advanced Placement Teacher Training in Human Geography
- Lecturer, Advanced Placement Teacher Training in Social Statistics

University of Houston

- Academic Honesty Panel, College Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, 2004-2006
- Graduate Students Committee, Sociology Department, 2002 – 2004
- Undergraduate Scholarship Committee, African American Studies, Summer 2003
- Undergraduate Travel Abroad Committee, African American Studies, Summer 2003

Rice / Houston Community Service

- Panelist, “Marriage: Do you?” University of Houston, Women’s Studies Department
- Lecturer, Houston League of Professional Business Women
- Discussant, *Race and Place: Conference on Houston’s Past and Present*
- The Society of Rice University Women, invited lecture, “Is a Multiracial Future a Diverse Future”, February 25th, 2013
- Community Dialogues, Lecture, “What is Black in Black Art?” Office of Multicultural Affairs
- Rice Arts Gallery, Lecture, “What is Black in Black Art?” During the exhibit *Tradition Redefined (October 3rd, 2011)*
- Panel Participant “Miss Representation”, September 25th (Office of Multicultural Affairs)

- Something New for Lunch, Lecture at President Leebron's Home for Director of Development and Community Participants
- Internal Review Board Panelist, Harris County Department of Education, 2005

Media Interviews

- Guest, Minnesota Public Radio, June 11th, 2013 on the show "The Daily Circuit"
- Houstonian, Interview January 18th, 2013
- Brian Lehr Show, March 9th 2012
- KUH, On-Camera Interview (June 2012)
- New York Times Magazine, "The Ike Baby Spike" by Lisa Belkin. Quoted in article (September 18th, 2009)
- Myrecordjournal.com "Obama gives hope to multiracial families" Interviewed for article (Jan. 24th 2009)
- British Broadcast Company (BBC). "American Dreams." Interviewed for Broadcast (July 7th, 2008).
- New York Times. "Who Are We? New Dialogue on Mixed Race". Interviewed for article (March 31, 2008).
- Dallas Morning News. "For Some Mixed-Race Couples, Barack Obama is a Symbol of Acceptance." Interviewed for article (March 2, 2008).