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APPOINTMENTS

2013-2014 Interim Chair of Sociology Department, University of Houston
2011+ Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Houston
2010-11 Associate Professor of Sociology and African Diaspora Studies, Tulane University
2005-10 Assistant Professor of Sociology and African Diaspora Studies, Tulane University
2002-05 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Houston

EDUCATION

2002 Ph.D. Sociology, Northwestern University
1998 M.A. Religion, Trinity International University
1997 M.A. Management, Regent University
1997 M.A. Biblical Studies, Regent University
1994 B.A. Theology, Oral Roberts University

AREAS OF INTEREST

Cinema, religion, culture, sexuality, art, social change, modernity, sociology of the body.

BOOKS

Shayne Lee. (under contract) *Modern God: Cinema, Theodicy, and Black Suffering*. Indianapolis: Indiana University Press.

Shayne Lee. 2015. *Tyler Perry's America: Inside His Films*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.

Shayne Lee. 2010. *Erotic Revolutionaries: Black Women, Sexuality, and Popular Culture*. Lanham, MD: Hamilton.

Shayne Lee and Phillip Sinitiere. 2009. *Holy Mavericks: Evangelical Innovators and the Spiritual Marketplace*. New York and London: New York University Press.

Shayne Lee. 2005. *T.D. Jakes: America's New Preacher*. New York and London: New York University Press. (Paperback edition 2007)

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Shayne Lee. 2004. The Structure of a Spiritual Revolution: Black Baptists and Women in Ministry. *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography* 33(2):154-177

Shayne Lee. 2003. The Church of Faith and Freedom: African American Baptists and Social Change. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 42:31-42

BOOK CHAPTER

Aldon Morris and Shayne Lee. 2005. "The National Baptist Convention: Tradition and the Challenges of Modernity." In *Church, Identity, and Change: Theology and Denominational Structures in Unsettled Times*. New York: Eerdmans.

BOOK REVIEWS

Jonathan Walton's *Watch This!: The Ethics and Aesthetics of Black Televangelism*. The Journal for the Society of Pentecostal Studies 32: 2010

Korie Edwards's *The Elusive Dream: The Power of Race in Interracial Churches*. Contemporary Sociology 38: 2009

Milmon Harrison's *Righteous Riches: The Word of Faith Movement in Contemporary African American Religion*. The Journal for the Society of Pentecostal Studies 28(1) 2006

Daphne Wiggins's Righteous Content: Black Women's Perspectives of Church and Faith. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 44(3) 2005.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

2012 "Author Meets Critics, Divine Callings: Understanding the Call to Ministry in Black Pentecostalism." Critic at *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion*, Annual Meeting, Phoenix, Nov. 9

"Author Meets Critics, Worship Across the Racial Divide: Religious Music and the Multiracial Congregation." Critic at *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion*, Annual Meeting, Phoenix, Nov. 9

"Faith and the Flesh: Religion, Hip-Hop, and the Body" Respondent at *The American Academy of Religion*, Annual Meeting. Chicago, Nov. 17

- 2011 “Epistemology, Empiricism, Existentialism, Ethics, and Hip Hop”
Presented at *Author Meets the Critics*, Harvard University, March 22
- 2011 Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration Lecture. Claremont School of
Theology. February 9
- 2009 “Deconstructing Darwinism: Evolutionary Theory and the Sociology of
Scientific Knowledge.” Presented at Honors Program Round Table.
Tulane University, April 9
- 2008 “They Preachin’!—Aw, Made You Look: The Black Church in the 21st
Century.” Keynote address for the Twenty-Sixth Annual C. Eric Lincoln
Lectureship Series. Clark Atlanta University, October 9, 2008.
- 2007 “What’s “Neo” in Pentecostalism?: T.D. Jakes and the New Black
Church.” Presented at McCormick Theological Seminary, October 29
- 2007 “New Trends in Contemporary American Religion.” Presented at the
Episcopal Conference in Hammond Louisiana, April 18, 2007.
- 2006 “Holy Mavericks: Evangelical Innovators and Contemporary American
Religion.” Presented at Politics and the New Religions, Tulane
University, October 4, 2006.
- 2006 “More Bang for Your Buck: Protestant Popes and the Spiritual
Marketplace.” Presented at Sociological Colloquium at Northwestern
University, March 30, 2006.
- 2005 “Great Jazz!: Black Neo-Pentecostalism in our Postmodern World.”
Presented at Into All the World: Black Pentecostalism in Global Contexts,
Harvard University, March 18, 2005.
- 2003 “Black Mega Churches and the Possibility of Social Action.” Presented at
The Faith of a Race: African American Religion and Contemporary U.S.
Public Policy, University of Chicago, June 28
- 2001 Panelist for Race and Religion section of The Changing Terrain of Race
and Ethnicity: Theory, Methods, and Public Policy, University of Illinois
at Chicago. October 26
- 2001 “T. D. Jakes and the Neo-Pentecostal Revolution.” Presented at African
American Studies Forum, Northwestern University, October 8

- 2001 “Traditionalism verses Egalitarianism: Black Baptists and Women in Ministry.” Presented at the Association for the Sociology of Religion, Annual Meeting, Anaheim, Aug. 17
- 2001 “A Silent Revolution.” Presented at Reflecting on the Past, Preparing for the Future, Northwestern University, April 21
- 2001 “The Structure of a Spiritual Revolution: The Preaching Daughters of Second Baptist Church of Evanston.” Presented at the American Academy of Religion/Midwest Region Annual Meeting, DePaul University, March
2001. “Your Daughters Shall Prophecy: Black Baptists and Cultural Change.” Presented at the Third Annual Ethnography Conference, Loyola University, February
1999. “The Power of Touch: Physicality and Group Cohesion in the Martial Arts,” Presented at The Chicago Conference of Ethnography, Northwestern University, February

SERVICE

Professional

- 2016 Reviewed book manuscript for Oxford University Press
- 2015 Reviewed book manuscript for Routledge
- 2014 Reviewed manuscript for Gender and Society
- 2013 Reviewed book manuscript for Palgrave Macmillan
Reviewed book manuscript for New York University Press
Reviewed book manuscript for University of North Carolina Press
- 2012 Reviewed book manuscript for Palgrave Macmillan
- 2011 Reviewed book manuscript for Fordham University Press
- 2010 Reviewed book manuscript for New York University Press
Reviewed book manuscript for Rutgers University Press
Reviewed article manuscript for American Quarterly
- 2009 Reviewed book manuscript for Oxford University Press
- 2007 Wrote blurb for book published by NYU Press

2006 Reviewed book manuscript for NYU Press

University

2016 Provost's Beyond Financial Aid Steering Committee
2014 Provost's Strategic Enrollment Planning Committee
2014-2015 Committee on the Provost's Summer Reading Program
2013-2014 Committee on the Provost's Summer Reading Program
2013 Task Force on Developing African American Studies into a Major
2011-2012 Faculty Advisor for Secular Students Alliance

CLASS

2016 CLASS Teaching Excellence Committee
2016 African American Studies Visiting Scholars Search Committee
2014-2016 African American Studies Scholarship Committee
2011-2012 CLASS Governance and Advisory Committee
2011-2012 CLASS Research Committee

Departmental

2015 Co-Chair of Recruitment Committee
2014-2016 Undergraduate Committee
2014 Co-Chair of Recruitment Committee
2013-2014 Interim Chair of Sociology Department
2012-2014 Department Hearing Officer
2012-2013 Chair of Undergraduate Committee
2011-2012 Undergraduate Committee
2011-2012 Faculty member of Thesis Committee for 4 M.A. students
2011 Faculty Representative for Sedona Training

Television Appearances

2014 ABC 13 *Crossroads* (February 9)

Fox 26 *Morning News* (February 7)

2012 KHOU11 (June 2)

2010 CNN *Newsroom* (3 different segments: two on September 25, the other on September 26)

ABC's *Good Morning America* (September 27)

2008 Fox *The Morning Show with Mike and Juliet* (June 2)

2004 PBS *The Connection* (July 13)

Appearances on Huff Post Live

- 2014 “WorldStarHipHop & Urban Black Violence.” January 14
- 2013 “Tyler Perry Lays Hands on T.D. Jakes.” September 4
“Pray for Pay.” February 25
“Led Into Temptation.” January 24
- 2012 “”Mocking Serena’s Curves.” December 12

Editorials

CNN.Com

- 2012 “Kobe’s Right: The Dream Team Would Lose” July 17
- 2012 “MLK born at just the right time.” January 16
- 2011 “Perry Needs Palin (and vice versa).” November 4
- 2011 “Why black church culture rejects homosexuality.” September 26

Christian Science Monitor

- 2011 “Oprah Winfrey: The greatest existential philosopher ever?” May 25

Huffington Post

- 2014 “Janet Jackson and Super Bowl Halftime Hypocrisy.” February 10
- 2013 “Iran, Nukes, and Jesus.” March 12
- 2013 “Lil Wayne, Shakespeare, and Artistic Freedom.” March 6
- 2013 “Mike Tyson’s Undisputed Truth.” February 27
- 2013 “Michael Jordan’s Greatest Achievement.” February 21

Philadelphia Inquirer:

- 2009 “An Unlikely Hero Cleared Obama’s Path.” July 10
“Punishing Vick for Our Crimes.” May 26

Quoted in Magazine Articles

- 2008 *The American Prospect* “The FundamentaList (No. 26)” March 19
- 2007 *The Christian Century*: “Empowered: The Entrepreneurial Ministry of T.D. Jakes” July 10, 2007
- 2007 *Ministry Today* “The Business of Ministry” March/April
- 2006 *The Crisis* “*The Politics of the Pulpit: Where Do We Go From Here?*”
July/August
The Texas Monthly: “American Idol” August
The Atlantic: “The Preacher” March

Quoted in News articles

The New York Times

2007 Cover story: "A Minister's Public Lesson on Domestic Violence."
September 20

USA Today:

2009 "Outdoor Baptisms Dwindling." August 4

The Washington Post:

2008 "In Rebuking Minister, McCain May have Alienated Evangelicals." May
29

2006 "Car and Churchgoer: Chrysler Increasingly Courts African
Americans at Their Places of Worship." Saturday Dec. 16

The Christian Science Monitor:

2010 Bishop Eddie Long faces 'monster' accusations. Can his church survive?
September 29

"Bishop Eddie Long case: Will it alter black church's view of gays?"
September 22

2007 "Backstory: Remaking the Black Church." February 13

CNN.com

2012 "Obama Makes History Again" November 8

"How Don Cornelius became the "pope of soul" February 1

2011 "Joel Osteen takes on his critics." October 7

"Why people stick by scandal-plagued pastors." May 27

"Bishop Eddie Long settles with accusers." May 26

2010 "Bishop Long's anointed path to power at New Birth." September
28

"Accused pastor crusaded against homosexuals." September 22

The Huffington Post

2010 "A Celebration of Prosperity: Spirituality Meets Consumerism at Joyce
Meyer Conference." September 23

The Denver Post

2010 "Televangelist Protégé Named Senior Pastor of One of Denver's Largest
Churches." March 2

Philadelphia Inquirer:

2006 "What Did McNabb Mean" February 3

2005 "Building an Empire to Empower." August 22

Dallas Morning News:

- 2010 "Potter's House Collaborating with Pennsylvania Seminary." July 8
2006 "The Fall and Rise of Carlton Pearson." March 6
2005 "In Storm, Jakes Sees a Calling" September 22, 2005
2004 "With New Film, Bishop Jakes' Reach Extends even Further" Sunday
September 26

Miami Herald:

- 2010 "Televangelist's motivational message comes to American Airlines Arena"
November 28
2006 "Book Captures the Black Church Experience" April 17
2005 "Evangelist Stirring Up Crowds---and Controversy" September 3, 2005

Atlanta Journal Constitution:

- 2010 "Bishop Eddie Long Pastor prominent on the national, world stage"
September 22
2007 "City Gala Set to Praise Eddie Long." August 17
"MegaFest Takes an Indefinite Break." July 3
"Best of Both Worlds: Pastor Forges on with Blended Message after
Storm." June 30, 2007.
2006 "A Portrait of Dignity: 1927-2006: Coretta Scott King: Message from
New Birth hits on prosperity." February 7
"MegaFest Starts Today." July 19
"MegaFest not Coming to Atlanta in 2007." October 31

The Tennessean:

- 2007 " 'Secret' Book Attracts Christian Fire." March 20

The Virginian Pilot

- 2007 "Chesapeake church gives offering back to parishioner each Sunday."
March 11
"Megachurch's Pastor a Visionary and Business Executive." October 7

The Journal News:

- 2009 "Televangelist Promises Hope, Positivity" April 22
2004 "Evangelist megastar visiting Westchester" August 8

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Introduction to Sociology
Foundations of Sociology
Sociology of Culture
Sociology of Mass Communication
Sociology of Religion
Issues in Sociology of Gender

Sexuality and Society
Race and Ethnic Relations in the United States
Malcolm Gladwell's Sociology
The Wire
Hip Hop and Urban Culture
Intro to African Diaspora Studies
African American Feminist Thought
Black Women, Sexuality, and Pop Culture
African American Comedy
Black Existentialism and Pop Culture
African American Religion and Liberation
Sociology of Film
African American Family

HONORS AND AWARDS

2008 Newcomb College Institute Favorite Faculty Award

2005 Tulane University Book Subvention Grant

2000 The Robert F. Winch Memorial Northwestern University 1999-2000

1998 Designated CIC Fellow for Northwestern University