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EDUCATION

Doctorate of Philosophy

Human Services - Social and Community Service

Capella University | Distinction | Nov 2012

Master of Arts

Interdisciplinary Studies- Social Science

University of Michigan – Dearborn | Honors | April 2004

Bachelor of Arts

Sociology

Madonna University | May 2001

G R A D U A T E C E R T I F I C A T E S

Global Health Graduate Certificate

Old Dominion University | Aug 2017

College Teaching Graduate Certificate

Capella University | Dec 2009

TENURE/RANK

FULL PROFESSOR WITH TENURE

James Madison University | June 2022

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WITH TENURE

Old Dominion University | December 2018

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Old Dominion University | December 2012

CREDENTIALS

Academic Wellness Ambassador Certification

Star Scholar Network & Jeevan Vigyan | Dec 2024

DEI Certificate

University of South Florida Muma | May 2021

UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

♀ James Madison University

July 1, 2022- December 6, 2024

James Madison University (JMU), is a public Research 2 university with approximately 20,000 enrolled students. Located in Harrisonburg, Virginia, JMU is committed to undergraduate education, civic engagement, and globalization.

Vice Provost | Strategic Initiatives and Global Affairs (Promotion)

Academic Affairs | May 1, 2023 - December 6, 2024

This inaugural role focused on leading projects to evaluate and enhance effectiveness and efficiency, while overseeing and stabilizing the Center for Global Engagement. Provided leadership for diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives within Academic Affairs, ensuring alignment with institutional goals. Additionally, oversaw the administrative processes for the adjudication of Title IX cases, ensuring compliance and fairness. Direct reports included the Executive Director of Global Engagement, an Executive Assistant, and a Part-Time Recruitment Coordinator.

Strategic Leadership and Vision

- Develop a tool to map inclusive excellence efforts across Academic Affairs, ensuring efforts were data driven and effective in meeting intended outcomes
- Articulated, implemented, resourced, and achieved strategic plan goals for internationalization and inclusion within Academic Affairs.
- Led sustainable efforts to build in-house recruitment teams for non-traditional academic programs, ensuring equitable support for student needs.
- Led efforts to strategically foster the adoption of a teacher-scholar model within in international research efforts to align with the institution's identity as a high research activity (R2) institution

Global Engagement and Internationalization

- Hired a new Executive Director for the Center for Global Engagement.
- Stabilized the budget for the Center for Global Engagement by eliminating unfilled roles, redefining positions to meet operational needs, and ensuring essential roles were budget-supported.
- Identified gaps in SCHEV requirements for international programs and developed protocols and an emergency response position to address them.
- Updated and established divisional policies and procedures for international research, global affairs, and promotion and tenure.
- Represented James Madison University as Chief International Officer in the Association of Public & Land Grant Universities.
- Developed and hosted programming for potential alumni donors within the Center for Global Engagement.
- Led a summer study abroad program in Jamaica focused on service learning, leadership, education, and cultural competence.

Recruitment, Marketing, and Enrollment Management

- Developed a plan to phase out a third-party vendor, reallocating funds to create inhouse recruitment and advising teams for the School of Professional and Continuing Education and the Graduate School.
- Oversaw the creation of a new marketing plan to support recruitment efforts for the School of Professional and Continuing Education and the Graduate School.
- Participated in piloting a strategic enrollment management model within the Graduate School and the School of Professional and Continuing Education as part of the Strategic Enrollment Management Committee.

Policy, Governance, and Faculty Development

- Oversaw faculty, administrator, and staff hiring processes within Academic Affairs, including revising hiring guidelines and implementing annual search committee training.
- Chaired a shared governance committee focused on faculty hiring, enhancing transparency and inclusivity.

Certified Bold Inclusive Conversations Trainer

The Winters Group | December 2021

Psychological Suicide Autopsy

American Association of Suicidology | 2018

Suicide Assessment and Clinical Response

University of South Florida Muma | July 2017

Certified Parent Educator

State of Virginia | May 2015

Human Services Board-Certified Practitioner

Center Credentialing Education | September 2011

HONORS & AWARDS

Presidential Award for Service and Excellence

Star Scholar Network | 2024

Largest Grant Award

ODU Darden College of Education | 2023

ACCS Distinguished Honoree Recognition

African American Creative Community Series | 2022

100 People to Meet in 2022

Virginia Business Magazine | 2021

Mary Helen Thomas Racial Justice Award

YWCA South Hampton Roads | 2021

International Outreach Award

Darden College of Ed. & Professional Studies | 2020

International Leadership Recognition

University of West Indies | 2020

Women in Business Achievement

Inside Business News | 2019

Educator of the Year

Speaker Con | 2019

Support of Women & Women's Issues Recognition

University Women's Caucus | 2019

Woman of Distinction in Research & the Sciences

YWCA of South Hampton Roads | 2019

MLK Education Community Leader Award

Urban League of Hampton Roads | 2019

Darden College of Education Community Service

Old Dominion University | 2018

Kate Broderick Award for Excellence in Promoting Educational Accessibility

Old Dominion University | 2018

New Faculty Award Nominee

Old Dominion University Alumni Association | 2017, 2018

Shining Star Award

Student Engagement Services | 2015 - 2017

Miriam Clubok Leadership Award

National Organization for Human Services | 2016

- Implemented and regularly updated faculty hiring guidelines to promote equitable and efficient recruitment processes.
- Reviewed, considered, and approved Academic Affairs policy changes and academic program updates.

Operational Excellence and Program Development

- Led a team to evaluate the School of Continuing Education, identifying opportunities to streamline services and improve operational efficiencies.
- Directed the phasing out of a third-party vendor to enhance the budget for the School of Continuing Education.
- Oversaw the development of an in-house recruitment team focused on student enrollment for the School of Professional and Continuing Education and the Graduate School.
- Reviewed and approved new academic programs and updates to existing programs.

Associate Provost | Inclusive Strategy and Equity Initiatives

Academic Affairs | July 1, 2022 - April 30, 2023

As primary advisor to the provost, this role centered on providing vision, leadership, and coaching to advance inclusive excellence and strategic planning through an inclusivity lens. Key responsibilities included search committee training, inclusivity education, policy development, addressing campus climate issues, fostering community relations, and implementing initiatives to uphold diversity, equity, inclusion, and mutual respect for all stakeholders. The position oversaw an administrative assistant and maintained dotted-line reporting with 13 diversity leaders across departments. After 9 months in this role, I was promoted to Vice Provost for Strategic Initiatives and Global Affairs.

Strategic Leadership and Inclusive Excellence

- Collaborated with campus leaders to align inclusion goals across the division, ensuring coherence and shared commitment.
- Synthesized short- and long-term goals within Academic Affairs units to foster an inclusive culture and developed metrics to track progress.
- Advised and collaborated with the Academic Council to benchmark and implement inclusive excellence plans, including equity-responsive recruitment, retention, and employee development.

Collaboration and Stakeholder Engagement

- Cultivated and expanded collaborative relationships with internal and external stakeholders to advance institutional goals.
- Partnered with Student Affairs to address student-related issues impacting teaching and learning.
- Represented the Office of the Provost in official and informal capacities with faculty, senior leadership, the Board of Visitors, and external stakeholders.
- Managed inclusion-related messaging and initiatives across Academic Affairs, collaborating with University Communications, Student Affairs, and the President's Office to align and articulate institutional values.

Faculty Development and Inclusive Excellence

- Developed the institution's first faculty recruitment program and active process to attract underrepresented scholars.
- Collaboratively created equitable and inclusive hiring guidelines, incorporating feedback from faculty senate.
- Implemented mandatory faculty hiring training for search committees to promote fair and consistent practices.
- Partnered with Faculty Affairs to establish inclusive tenure and promotion guidelines.
- Utilized university data to develop diversity, equity, and inclusion goals and objectives.
- Led investigations of faculty misconduct, ensuring fairness and accountability.

Program and Policy Leadership

Top 40 Under 40 Hampton Roads

Insider Business Magazine and Virginia Pilot Newspaper | 2016

President Broderick Diversity Champion Award

Old Dominion University | 2016

Provost Award for Undergraduate Research Mentorship

Old Dominion University | 2016

Lenora McNeer Award for Distinctive Contribution to the Field

National Organization for Human Services | 2015

Inspiring Faculty Award

DCOE Outstanding Student Award | 2015

Inspiring Faculty Award

Kaufman Award Candidate | 2015

Howard Harris Award

National Organization for Human Services | 2014

Outstanding Human Services Student Award

National Organization for Human Services | 2012

Midwest Faculty Scholarship Award

University of Phoenix | 2012

Robert C. Ford Scholarship

Capella University | 2012

CONSULTING

Co-Director and Co-PI Behavioral Health Grant

Old Dominion University | June 31, 2022- Present

Inclusive Pedagogy Faculty Training

Huntington College | March 2023

Shared Equity Leadership Circle Leader

American Council on Education | Sept - Oct 2022

Relationship Building

VA Association of Gov Purchasing | Oct 2021

Faculty-Student Mediation

Virginia Commonwealth University | Jan 2021

Youth Suicide Training

Ramsey County | Nov 2020

Diversity Equity and Inclusion Training

Wavy News | July 2020

Unconscious Bias and Civility

Sylvan Learning Center | Feb 2020

View Participant Trainer

Portsmouth Social Services | Feb 2018

Book Review

Guilford Press | Nov 2017

Book Review

Cengage Learning | July 2014

- Led a task force to realign the School of Continuing and Professional Education, streamlining operations and improving effectiveness.
- Oversaw the solicitation and review of third-party RFPs for marketing graduate programs, focusing on targeted student recruitment.
- Partnered with Research and Scholarship to implement faculty research grants, fostering academic growth and innovation.
- Reviewed and enhanced hiring guidelines to ensure equity and transparency.
- Mediated between faculty senate and administrators to resolve conflicts and implement agreed-upon hiring practices.

Strategic Planning and Assessment

- Collaboratively engaged in strategic planning activities to align division priorities with institutional goals.
- Developed and led processes to incorporate faculty senate feedback into hiring guidelines, ensuring inclusivity and shared governance.
- Benchmarked progress on inclusive excellence initiatives, using data to refine and improve outcomes.

OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY December 25, 2012-June 31, 2022

Old Dominion University (ODU), is a public Research 1 university with approximately 24,000 enrolled undergraduate and graduate students. Located in Norfolk, Virginia and is designated as a Minority Serving Institution (MSI), ODU is committed to its diverse student population with a focus on first generation and military veterans.

Academic Affairs Director | Faculty Recruitment & Retention

Academic Affairs | June 10, 2019 - June 31, 2022

This inaugural role focused on providing visionary leadership and consultation in diversity initiatives, strategic planning, training, education, research, community engagement, policy development, and campus climate enhancement. It emphasized fostering diversity, equity, inclusion, and mutual respect through effective communication and implementation strategies. The position was instrumental in safeguarding an inclusive environment for all stakeholders. Direct reports included an Administrative Assistant and Director of Faculty Recruitment and Retention.

Selected Accomplishments

Strategic Leadership in Inclusion and Equity

- Developed annual Academic Affairs goals related to inclusion, incorporating branding, universal messaging, semester newsletters, website updates, annual reporting, and initiatives fostering inclusivity for faculty.
- Designed and implemented "Excite the Dream ODU," the university's first scholarly recruitment program, aimed at attracting diverse faculty.
- Established a "Diversity and Inclusion Lab" leveraging advanced technologies like virtual reality simulations to reduce unconscious bias and enhance faculty inclusivity.
- Created action plans to address civil unrest by amplifying diverse voices in decisionmaking, dismantling systemic barriers for people of color, and fostering a more inclusive campus environment.
- Collaborated with Institutional Equity and Diversity to develop the "One Virginia Diversity Plan" and ensure equity-minded practices across the university.

Faculty Development and Mentorship

- Led initiatives to develop faculty-supported spaces focused on group mentoring, inclusive conversations, and pandemic-related support.
- Co-founded the College of Education's Equity Center and acted as a liaison to inclusive excellence committees across six colleges.
- Implemented an "Inclusive Excellence Certificate Training Program" and redesigned campus-wide search committee training for equitable hiring practices.
- Developed a collaborative video series on Culturally Competent Pedagogy, fostering multicultural teaching practices among faculty.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MSI Aspiring Leader

Rutgers Center for MSI I 2024 Cohort

AGB Leadership and Governance Fellow

Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges I 2023-2024 Cohort

CASE Beginners Institute

Council for Advancement and Support of Education
District III I Feb 2023

Trauma Informed Title IX Investigation

Grand River Solutions | Feb 2023

Conducting Fair and Equitable Compliant Title IX Hearings

Grand River Solutions I June 2023

HERS Executive Coaching Circle

HERS I January 2023

Shared Equity Leadership Circle

ACE | April 2022

Virginia Network's Senior Leadership Seminar

ACE Virginia Network | Oct 2021 - July 2022

Global Engagement Certificate

ODU Center for Global Engagement I April 2022

Effective Mentoring Training

National Research Mentoring Network | April 2022

Leadership Institute

HERS Network I June 2021

Micro intervention Training

Dr. Derald Sue I May 2021

Diversity Equity Inclusion Workplace Training

University of South Florida Muma College of Business I May 2021

Engaging in Bold Inclusive Conversations Program

Winters Group | April 2021

Chief Diversity Officer Standards of Professional Practice Institute

National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education I Nov 2020

COACHE Training

Harvard University I Aug 2019

Program Acceleration for Collegiate Entrepreneurship

Old Dominion University I May 2019

Women in Leadership Training

- Established a faculty online resource center that houses training materials, best practices, and a platform for critical inclusion discussions.
- Provided mentorship to deans and administrators on hiring practices, misconduct investigations, recruitment, and retention strategies.

Policy Development and Governance

- Identified best practices and implemented new policies to support faculty recruitment and retention within Academic Affairs.
- Chaired the Faculty Grievance Committee, overseeing grievance processes and collaborating with the Ombudsman and mediation offices to address faculty needs.
- Provided leadership on the development of the Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) and participated in strategic planning work groups focused on Mission, Vision, and Values.

Collaborative Initiatives and Stakeholder Engagement

- Established and led the first advisory committee comprising community leaders and university administrators to strengthen engagement.
- Partnered with centers, colleges, and offices across campus to provide professional development for faculty and administrators.
- Collaborated with the Office of Institutional Research to analyze university culture data and develop actionable goals based on COACHE survey results.
- Worked with Student Multicultural Affairs and Institutional Equity to address equity and inclusion challenges across campus.
- Collaborated with faculty, staff, and committees to improve diversity efforts and foster a more inclusive community.

Supervision, Training, and Resources

- Supervised administrative staff and graduate students in the Office of Faculty Diversity and Retention.
- Developed training materials and programming related to inclusive excellence and equity-minded practices.
- Provided leadership on professional development opportunities for faculty and staff through partnerships with various departments.

Strategic Communication and Advocacy

- Served as the primary advisor to the Provost's Council and Senior Leadership Committee on equity and inclusion matters.
- Represented the university as a subject matter expert on inclusive excellence through scholarly research, grant writing, and media interactions.
- Advocated for equity-minded, student-centered practices among faculty to improve teaching and learning outcomes.

Operational Leadership and Values Alignment

- Led initiatives to enhance university values through strategic collaborations with leadership.
- Played a key role in creating inclusive strategic goals through engagement in mission and vision workgroups.
- Acted as a key advisor and collaborator on improving institutional culture and aligning strategic goals with inclusivity.

Assistant Chair | Department of Counseling & Human Services

Darden College of Education and Professional Studies | Jan 1, 2019 – June 1, 2019 As an Assistant Chair, I served as a liaison between faculty, administration and students while supporting the chair's vision for the department. The Department of Counseling and Human Services has over 20 full-time faculty and over 1200 students. My portfolio included the leading all international programming and curriculum, supporting four program directors, assigning graduate assistantships, leading promotion and tenure reviews, and handling faculty grievances fostering effective communication and promoting a positive departmental environment. In addition, I served as interim chair to ensure the department had a smooth transition after the chair stepped down.

Harvard University | Oct 2018

Psychological Suicide Autopsy

American Association of Suicidology | April 2018

Leadership Training for Department Chairs

American Council on Education | Nov 2017

Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians

American Association of Suicidology | Jul 2017

Person Centered Thinking

Support Services of Virginia | Jun 2015

Clinical Counseling Supervision

Virginia Counseling Association | April 2015

Certified Parent Educator

Virginia Supreme Court | April 2015

LGBTO+ Allies Training

Old Dominion University | Nov 2013

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Association of Colleges and Universities | July 2022 - Present

Council for Advancement and Support of Education | July 2022 - Present

Association of Public Land Grant Universities | July 2022 - Present

Association of Chief Academic Officers | December 2022 – Present

American Association of University Administrators | Feb 2023– Present

Phi Beta Delta Gamma Chi Chapter | Honor Society for International Scholars Sept 2020- Present

National Association of Chief Diversity Officers | July 2019 – Present

American Association for Suicidology | Feb 2018 – 2020

American Public Health Association | Sept 2017 – 2020

National Organization for Human Services | Oct 2013 - Present

Southern Organization for Human Service | Jan 2013 - Present

Tau Upsilon Alpha Human Services Honor Society | Jan – Present

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Select Accomplishments

Program Oversight

 Provided strategic support and oversight to Program Directors of Human Services, Human Services Online, School Counseling, and Mental Health Counseling programs.

Faculty Development

- Collaboratively improved departmental tenure and promotion materials.
- Mentored faculty in the preparation of tenure and promotion dossiers.
- Oversaw the external review process for tenure and promotion materials.
- Developed and implemented a mentorship protocol for new faculty.

Policy Development

Strategically developed and enhanced departmental and graduate program policies.

Departmental Leadership

- Served as Interim Chair during a departmental transition period.
- Assisted in the development and proposal of new curricula.
- Addressed faculty concerns and resolved student complaints.

Graduate Education Leadership

- Led onboarding and mentorship for first-year graduate students.
- Assigned graduate assistantships and managed their integration into department.
- Mentored graduate students in academic and professional development.
- Spearheaded the development of a graduate study abroad program.

Global Programming

Led international initiatives and programming for the department.

Human Services Program Director | Counseling & Human Services

Darden College of Education | Jan 1, 2017 - June 1, 2019

As the Human Services Program Director, I led program development, implementation, evaluation, and accreditation to align with institutional goals and student needs. I managed curriculum changes, course scheduling, articulation agreements, and strategic planning while overseeing 10 full-time faculty and over 1,000 traditional and non-traditional students. I hired, mentored, and assigned courses to adjunct faculty, fostering collaboration with faculty, administrators, and external stakeholders to enhance program quality. Utilizing data-driven strategies, I ensured accreditation compliance, assessed program performance, and advanced initiatives to promote equity and inclusion.

Selected Accomplishments

Program Leadership and Accreditation

- Led the accreditation process, earning recognition for the Human Services program by the Council for Standards in Human Services Education.
- Annually reviewed and updated program policies and procedures in the Human Services Handbook to ensure program quality and compliance.
- Collaboratively engaged in curriculum mapping to streamline transfer pathways from community colleges to ODU.
- Directed program initiatives during its recognition as #1 in the nation for producing students of color in human services (*Diverse Issues in Higher Education*).

Faculty Recruitment, Development, and Mentorship

- Developed and implemented processes for hiring, onboarding, and mentoring adjunct faculty and doctoral students.
- Led search and hiring committees for tenure-track faculty, ensuring diversity and excellence in recruitment.
- Collaboratively certified new faculty credentials and provided mentorship for their professional growth.
- Served on tenure and promotion committees, overseeing the development of tenure and promotion recommendation letters.

UNIVERSITY-WIDE

Student Enrollment Management Council

James Madison University | Feb 2024-Dec 2024

International Recruitment Committee

James Madison University | July 2023-Dec 2024

Athletics Advisory Committee

James Madison University | Aug 2023-Dec 2024

President Cabinet

James Madison University | July 2022-Dec 2024

Provost Leadership Team

James Madison University | July 2022-Dec 2024

Academic Council

James Madison University | July 2022-Dec 2024

President Elected Committee Member and Chair

Faculty Grievance Committee | Aug 2020 - June 2022

REYES Presenter

Unconscious Bias | July 22, 2020

Student Success Conference

Self-Care Workshop Presenter | June 25, 2020

Board Member

Women's Caucus | May 2019 - June 2022

Keynote Speaker

Conference for Girls and Young Women | June 2019

Diversity E-Portfolio Development Expert/Advisory Board Member

University LEADERS Program | April 2018 – June 2020

Member-at-Large, Committee B Faculty Senate

Undergraduate Policies and Procedures | April 2018 – June 2022

Committee Member

Kate Broderick Award Committee | Feb 2019

Committee Member

University Suspension Committee | Feb 2018 - May 2019

Assignment Design Workshop Facilitator

Office of Institutional Effectiveness and Assessment | Jan 2018

Advisory Board Member

Coalition of Black Faculty and Administrators | Jul 2017 – June 2020

Advisory Board Member

Interdisciplinary Writing Advisory Board | Sep 2016 – Jan 2019

Presenter

"Leadership Lecture" Series | Nov 2014, 2015, 2017

IDW Assessment Rater

Improving Disciplinary Writing Assessment Summit | Jun 2016

Lecturer

Curriculum and Academic Development

- Collaborated on the creation of the Addictions Certificate Program and a minor in addictions, ensuring compliance with SCHEV guidelines.
- Developed the first international service-learning, cultural competence-focused study abroad program, leading it for eight consecutive years.
- Introduced and implemented program-specific academic policies to enhance consistency and quality.
- Participated in the development and execution of the university's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP).

Student Support and Community Engagement

- Founded the Human Services Advisory Council, connecting community agencies and employers to enhance student opportunities.
- Developed strong relationships with employers and community organizations, creating a master placement list for student internships and practicums.
- Oversaw the placement of students in internship programs funded by OWEP and BHWET grants.
- Taught both traditional and online courses, contributing to student success and engagement.

Grant Management and Research

- Served as Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI) for OWEP and BHWET training grants, overseeing grant objectives and outcomes.
- Represented the department on the IRB committee, overseeing research compliance and integrity.

Innovation and Strategic Initiatives

- Participated in the Entsminger Entrepreneurship Faculty Training, integrating innovative practices into program initiatives.
- Led collaborations with faculty to develop policies and resources to support student and program success.

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

Professor of Education (Full/Tenured)

College of Education | July 1, 2022 - December 6, 2024

Q OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY

Associate Professor of Counseling and Human Services (Tenured)

Darden College of Education and Professional Studies | Dec 25, 2018 – July 1, 2022

Assistant Professor of Counseling and Human Services

Darden College of Education and Professional Studies | Dec 25, 2012 - Dec 24, 2018

DAVENPORT UNIVERSITY

Online Course Coordinator/Adjunct Instructor of Sociology | Distance Learning Department

College of Arts and Sciences | Sep 2010 - Dec 2012

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

9 CITY OF DETROIT DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Senior Child Development Compliance Director

Training and Technical Assistance Program, Head Start | Feb 2003 - Jul 2012

"Fall Freshman First Class" Initiative | Aug 2013-2016

Workshop Presenter

Faculty Summer Institute | May 2014, 2015

COLLEGE

Ex Officio Committee Member

DCEPS ALLIED Committee | Aug 2020 - June 2022

Mentoring New Faculty

Visiting Faculty | Sept 2019 - June 2020

Committee Member

University Carnegie Community Service
Designation Committee | Feb 2018 - Dec 2020

Speaker

Student Awards Ceremony | May 2019

Presenter-Research for Public Use

Brown Bag Workshop | May 2019

IRB Exempt Reviewer

Darden College Human Subjects Committee June 2016 – June 2018

Grand Assistant Marshal

Marshal Commencement | Dec 2017, May 2018

Marshal Commencement

Marshal Commencement | Dec 2014, Dec 2015, Dec 2016, May 2017, Dec 2018, May 2019

Secretary

Faculty Governance Technology Committee Aug 2015 – May 2016

DEPARTMENT

Dissertation Service

Erin Hanley | Committee, May 2020 - Oct 2021 Bianca Augustine | Chair, Mar 2020 - Aug 2021 Jill Parramore | Committee, Jul 2019 - July 2020 Tiarra Belcher | Committee, Aug 2018 - April 2019 Nicola Mead | Committee, Jul 2018 - April 2019 Sandy Griffith | Committee, June 2018 - Jul 2018 Debbie Lewis | Committee, April 2018 - Jul 2018 Marla Newby | Committee, June 2017 - May 2018 Anthony Vajda | Committee, Oct 2017 - May 2018

Search Committee Co-Chair

Human Services Tenure Track and Lecturer Position | Jul 2018 – Mar 2019

Teaching Mentor

Doctoral Student Teaching | Fall 2016 - 2020

Committee Chair

Department Student Professional Development Scholarship Committee | Oct 2013 – Aug 2014, Aug 2015 – Jul 2016, Nov 2017 – Aug 2017

Search Committee Member

Counseling (two positions) and Human Services (four positions) | May 2013 – Jul 2014

Search Committee Member

Counseling (two positions) and Human Services (four positions) | May 2013 – Jul 2014, Oct 2013 –

As one of four Senior Compliance Directors for the City of Detroit, I provided strategic oversight for two large grantees, ensuring their programs adhered to government compliance standards. I led evaluation teams in conducting annual program reviews and facilitated monthly monitoring of classrooms and curricula at Head Start sites to ensure quality education and operational efficiency. My role also involved delivering ongoing training and technical assistance to all grantees across the city. This included designing and conducting targeted training sessions, planning professional development initiatives, and organizing conferences to address specific compliance and operational needs. Through these efforts, I supported grantees in meeting federal and state standards, fostering program sustainability and continuous improvement. By collaborating with teams, I enhanced compliance processes and ensured the consistent delivery of high-quality programs.

PUBLISHED PAPERS

- * Peer Reviewed Journal Articles; † Invited; ‡ Student Co-authored
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- **Sparkman-Key**, N., Winfield, C., & Vajda, A. (2017). Emergence of the family oriented human services practitioner: A grounded theory inquiry. *The Journal of International*

April 2014, Nov 2015 – May 2016, Nov 2016 – April 2017

Committee Member

Department Personnel Committee Aug 2014 – Aug 2015

Advisor

College Advising Resource Center Jan 2017 – Jan 2019

Faculty Lead, Spring Break

HMSV Study Abroad | Mar 2014 - Mar 2020

Faculty Mentor

Undergraduate Symposium | Nov 2013 – Jan 2014, Nov 2015 – Jan 2016, Nov 2016 – Jan 2017, Nov 2017, Feb 2018

Faculty Advisor

Tau Upsilon Alpha Human Service Honor Society Sep 2013 – Dec 2016

Committee Chair

Human Service Program Advisory Board Jan 2015 – Aug 2016

Presenter

Psychology Department HMSV Recruitment Dec 2016

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

NATIONAL / INTERNATIONAL

Vice President of Academic Wellness

Star Scholars Network June 2024– Present

Commission on International Initiatives

Association of Public Land Grant Universities July 2023– Present

ACE Virginia Women's Network

Jan 2023- Present

ACE Virginia Network Mentor

ACE Virginia Women's Network Jan 2023- May 2023

FWCA Advisory Board

Virginia Tech

Sept 2022- Present

Editorial Review Board

Journal of Trauma Studies in Education Jan 2021– Present

Council of Diversity Equity Inclusion

Association of Public Land Grant Universities July 2022– Present

Re-Entry Diversity Workgroup

Association of Colleges and University Housing Officers-International June 2021– Aug 2021

Diversity Marketing Committee

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National Assoc. of Diversity Officers in Higher Ed April 2021– Present

Anti-Racist and Equity Practices Team

Journal of Trauma Studies in Education May 2021– Present

Editorial Review Board

Journal of Trauma Studies in Education Jan 2021– Present

Affiliated Graduate Faculty- Dissertation

Virginia Commonwealth University Oct 2020 – June 2022

Self-Study Accreditation Reviewer

Council for Standards in Human Service Education (CSHSE) | May 2014 – May 2021

Ethics Chair

National Organization for Human Services Sep 2018 – May 2019

Public Health Film Festival Film Proposal Reviewer

American Public Health Association | Jul 2018

Intl. Health Conference Proposal Reviewer

American Public Health Association Mar 2018 – April 2018

Conference Moderator

National Organization for Suicidology Mar 2018 – April 2018

Editorial Review Board

Humanities and Social Science Journal Nov 2017 – Dec 2019

International Women's Day Speaker

Women's Center Foundation of Montego Bay, Jamaica | Mar 2015 - March 2020

Parent Group Facilitator

Women's Center Foundation of Montego Bay, Jamaica | Mar 2015, Mar 2017

Membership Chair

National Organization for Human Services Oct 2013 – Oct 2017

Peer Reviewer

The Social Science Collection Journal Aug 2014, Aug 2015, Sep 2017

Ethics Standards Development Committee

Council for Standards in Human Service Education (CSHSE) | Nov 2015 – Sep 2016

Committee Chair, Conference Proposal

National Organization for Human Services Apr 2015 – Jan 2015

Associate Editor

The Social Science Collection Journal Vol. 8 Aug 2014

Senior Reviewer, Conference Proposal

National Organization for Human Services Mar 2014 – May 2014

STATE / REGIONAL

Curriculum Vitae Review

* Peer Reviewed Journal Articles; † Invited; ‡ Student Co-authored

BOOKS

- Moe, J., Pope, A., Perera, D., Sparkman-Key, N. (ED) (October 2024). LGBT affirmative counseling: An evidence-based guide for students and practitioner., Cambridge University Press. [In Press]
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- Sparkman-Key, N. (2021, October 6). How to 'Boss Up' as a Black Woman in Academia, The Chronicle of Higher Education, https://www.chronicle.com/article/how-to-boss-up-as-a-black-woman-in-academe
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2020, June 16). Reopening should be an opportunity for women leaders. Virginian Pilot Newspaper, https://www.pilotonline.com/opinion/columns/vp-ed-column-sparkman-key-0616-20200616-mc7z4igbbfcodcy23drzmkcvkq-story.html

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Lott, T., Morgan-Gardner, I., Comer, H., & Sparkman, N. (2015). The impact of cultural competence training on rural human service professionals. *Journal of Human* Services Monograph, 1, 37-40. *‡

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- McCoy, S., & Sparkman-Key, N. (2016). Culturally competent pedagogy: Inclusiveness that extends beyond diversity. Proceedings of the Virginia Tech Conference on Higher Education Pedagogy, USA, 8, 89-90.
- Comer, H., Bower, J., & Sparkman, N. (2016). Showtime: Pop Culture's Impact on Societies' View of the LGBTQ Population. Conference Proceeding: National Organization for Human Services Conference, 1, 43-48. ‡

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

Teaching and Mentoring Conference, Southern Regional Board | Sep 2019 | Oct 2023

External Human Service Program Reviewer Walden University | June 2019

Board Member, Human Service Advisory Board City of Chesapeake | Jan 2015 – Dec 2018

Board Member

Virginia Statewide Parent Education Coalition Nov 2015 – Sep 2017

Board Member - Virginia State Rep

Southern Organization for Human Service Jan 2013 – Dec 2013

External Human Service Program Reviewer

Lincoln University | May 2015

External Human Service Program Reviewer Walden University | Oct 2014

C O M M U N I T Y E N G A G E M E N T

Speaker, HERS 50th Anniversary

American University| June 2022

Adopt Room, Shelter

YWCA | Feb - Aug 2020

Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Training Zeta Phi Beta Youth Conference | Jul 2019

Keynote Speaker, Girls and Young Women's Conference

Old Dominion University | June 2019

Keynote Speaker, Membership Brunch

Girls with Goals Alliance | Apr 2019

Keynote Speaker, Scholarship Luncheon Chi Omicron Zeta | May 2019

Top 40 Under 40 Judge

Insider Business News | Jul 2018 - Aug 2020

Middle School Girls Camp Organizer

Design Thinking Robotics | Mar 2018

Self Esteem Development Volunteer

Union Mission Ministries Women's Shelter Jan 2017 – Jan 2019

Board Advisor

Strong Willed Cancer Survivors Sep 2017 – Sep 2018

Keynote Speaker

Annual Cancer Survivors Gala Sep 2017 – Sep 2018

Group Facilitator

Women's Centre Foundation | Mar 2015 - Mar 2021

Foster Care Volunteer

Chesapeake Social Services | June 2016 - Dec 2016

- Sparkman, N., & Comer, H. (2015). Costa Rica. In T. Walzer (Ed.), Encyclopedia of Cancer and Society (317-319). United States: Sage Publications. https://doi.org/10.4135/9781483345758.n155 ‡
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GRANTS AWARDED

*Internal Grant Awards

- Sparkman-Key, N. (Writer). Re-envisioning inclusive and sustainable excellence (RISE): Advancing women in STEM at Old Dominion University, Dodge, G., Finley-Crosswhite, A., Jovanovic, V., Ringleb, S. Jenkins, S. (2023-2025). National Science Foundation, \$1,000,000. https://www.odu.edu/article/1-million-nsf-grant-to-help-odu-hire-more-women-as-stem-faculty
- **Sparkman-Key**, N. (Principal). (2022-2023). Supporting diverse voices grant. Princeton University Publishing, \$5000.
- Rehfuss, M. (Principal), Sparkman-Key, N. (Co-Principal Investigator/Co-Director), Carlisle, K., McCoy, S., Winfield, C., Simmons, J., Hartsfield, J., & Sawyer, J. (2022-2026) Behavioral health workforce education and training program [100912-010], \$1,616,000.

https://www.odu.edu/news/2021/9/ 1 6 million counsel#.YWcdExwpBjU

- Rehfuss, M. (Principal) & Sparkman-Key, N. (Co-Principal Investigator/Co-Director), Carlisle, K., McCoy, S., Winfield, C., Simmons, J., Moe, J. (2019-2022) Paraprofessional peer support opioid workforce expansion program [100819-10], HRSA \$900,000.
- Santo, A. (Principal Investigator) Sparkman-Key, N. (Co- Principal Investigator), Jovanovic, V. (2019-2020) Design Thinking Robotics Programming for Displaced Youth, Tidewater Children's Foundation, \$4,671.
- **Sparkman-Key**, **N**. (Principal), Wittkower, D. E. (Principal), Rush, L. (Project Consultant). (2018-2019) Integrating and Scaffolding Student Training Across-Discipline Writing-Intensive Courses and Information Literacy to Improve Writing Student Learning Outcomes, Interdisciplinary Writing (IDW) Advisory Board, Old Dominion University, \$7000 *
- Sparkman, N. (Principal) Service-Learning Grant, Office of Leadership and Student Development, Old Dominion University, \$1000, March 2018. *
- **Sparkman, N.** (Principal) Service-Learning Grant, Office of Leadership and Student Development, Old Dominion University, \$1000, March 2017. *

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- Sparkman, N. (Principal) Research Grant, Sponsored by National Organization for Human Service, Other, \$500.00. (October 23, 2013 - October 23, 2014). *
- Craigen, L. M. (Principal), Sparkman, N. & Dustin, J. C. (Co-Principal), Quality Enhancement Plan Improving Disciplinary Writing Action Project, Sponsored by QEP Advisory Board, Old Dominion University, \$20,000.00. (September 2013 - May 2014).

PRESENTATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED

- Sparkman-Key, N., Thomas, L. (2024, November). Leading Uncertainty: Navigating conflict utilizing the core elements of leadership. AAC&U Credo Senior Leaders Institute for Women and Gender-Diverse Leaders.
- **Sparkman-Key**, N., Winfield, C. (2024, November). Old Dominion University's Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training Grant for Paraprofessionals. National Organization for Human Services Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2024, May). Academic mobbing: Understanding, recognizing, protection, and healing for women of color. ACE Virginia Network Women of Color Conference, Petersburg, VA.
- Sparkman-Key, N., Thomas, L., & Willingham, T. (2023, November). Radical Self-Care for Women Leaders. AAC&U Credo Women in Leadership Cabinet Level Conference, Greensboro, NC.
- Sparkman-Key, N., Wade, L., Jackson, DeSanctis, M. & Constantin, T. (2023, October). Effective Leadership. Women In Leadership NATDC Conference, Boston,
- Sparkman-Key, N., Lovell, S., Thomas, L., Prins, S., & Nowviskie, B. (2023, June). Radical Self-Care Panel. Virginia Network Conference, Williamsburg, VA.
- Moe, J., Sparkman-Key, N., Augustine, B. & Gantt, A. (2021, October). Assessing for intersectional minority stress and protective factors in suicide prevention with multiple minority youth identifying as sexual-affectional /gender expansive, Paper presented at the Society for Sexual, Affectional, Intersex, and Gender Expansive Identities Conference, Virtual
- Augustine, B., & Sparkman-Key, N. (2020, September). The de-stigmatization of suicide and increase help seeking behaviors in Black communities, Paper presented at the Black Mental Healthy Symposium, Virtual
- Augustine, B., & Sparkman-Key, N. (2020, April). Altering perceptions: The destigmatization of suicide to increase help-seeking behaviors, Paper presented at the Third Annual Conference: Clinical Counseling and Beyond, The Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Virtual
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2020, April). Women of color in leadership: the internal work of addressing the gap, Paper presented at 8th Annual Women of Color in the Academy National Conference Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia
- Wittokwer, L., Wittokwer, D. & Sparkman-Key, N. (2020, February). Making connections between general education information literacy and upper-level writing courses: An exploration of faculty and student perceptions. Paper presented at Georgia International Conference on Information Literacy, Savannah, Georgia.

- Augustine, B., & Sparkman-Key, N. (2020, February). Safety first: Impact of news media on minority individuals' perceptions of personal safety, Paper presented at the National Cross-Cultural Counseling and Education Conference, Georgia
- **Sparkman-Key**, N. (2018, October) E-portfolio: Advancing human services education through technology. Paper presented at the National Organization for Human Service Conference, Philadelphia.
- Jovanovic, V., Sparkman-Key, N., Anthony, B., Cigularov, K., & Cigularova, D. (2018, June). Transfer Students' Characteristics in Engineering Programs at Mid-sized University Paper presented at American Society for Engineering Annual Conference and Exposition, Utah.
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2017, July). Emergence of the family oriented human services practitioner. Paper presented at the 12th International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, Virtual.
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2017, April). Emergence of the family oriented human services practitioner: grounded theory study. Paper presented at the Midwest Organization for Human Services Web Conference, Virtual.
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2017, March). International service learning: A catalyst for cultural competence. Paper presented at the University of West Indies Public Lecture, Jamaica.
- McCoy, S. Sparkman-Key,N. (February 2016), Culturally competent pedagogy: Inclusiveness that extends beyond diversity. Virginia Tech Conference on Higher Education Pedagogy, Blacksburg, VA.
- **Sparkman-Key,** N., Neukrug, E. (2016, October). *Advocating for human services: The establishment of a Holland Code for human services*. Paper presented at the National Organization for Human Services Conference: The New "Realities" in America Preparing for the Challenges Ahead, Florida.
- Sparkman-Key, N., & Winfield, C. (2016, April). Families in conflict: Emergence of the family oriented human services practitioner. Paper presented at the Virginia Wesleyan College Works in Progress Conference: A Regional Interdisciplinary Conference of Feminist Scholarship, Virginia.
- Moe, J., Sparkman-Key, N., Clark, M., & Gerwe, C. (2015, October). Queering research. Paper presented at the Association Counselor Education and Supervision Conference, Pennsylvania.
- Sparkman, N. (2015, April). Parenting differences among minority families. Paper presented at the Interdisciplinary Social Science 10th International Conference, Croatia.
- Sparkman, N., & Neukrug, E. (2014, October). Views of the HS-BCP credential: A survey of human service professionals. Paper presented at the National Organization for Human Services Conference: Strategic Action: Going Beyond the Gamble of Chance, Nevada.
- Sparkman, N., Bower, J., & Comer, H. (2014, October). Pop culture influence on LGBTQ populations. Paper presented at the National Organization for Human Services Conference: Strategic Action: Going Beyond the Gamble of Chance, Nevada.
- Craigen, L, & Sparkman, N. (2014, October). Human Service Study Abroad Program Development. Paper presented at the National Organization for Human Services Conference: Strategic Action: Going Beyond the Gamble of Chance, Nevada.
- Sparkman, N., & Lott, T. (2014, June). African American family functioning: Examining the relationship between conflict and parenting. Paper presented at the Interdisciplinary Social Science Conference, Canada.
- Lott, T., & Sparkman, N. (2014, June). Do rural child welfare professionals perceive themselves culturally competent: Cultural competence training. Paper presented at the Interdisciplinary Social Science Conference, Canada.
- Craigen, L., Sparkman, N., Dustin, J. (2014, May) Faculty Summer Institute, "QEP Action Project: Human Services," Center for Learning and Teaching, Norfolk, VA.

- Sparkman, N. (2013, April). It takes a village: Understanding parenting and conflict in minority families. Southern Organization for Human Service: Becoming a Community Champion, Florida
- Rehfuss, M. C., Craigen, L. M., Milliken, T., Dustin, J. C., Sparkman, N., Levingston, K. (2013, October). Sailing into Our Future, "Expanding Student Options for Success through Online HMSV Training," National Organization for Human Service, Baltimore, Maryland.
- Sparkman, N., (2013, October). A study of parenting dimensions and family conflict in Hispanic and African American Families: Implications for social research. Paper presented at the National Organization for Human Service Conference: Sailing into Our Future, Maryland.

INVITED

- Sparkman-Key, N., (2025, January). Navigating the job search through a lens of wellness, HERS Network Next Stages Next Step, Washington, DC.
- **Sparkman-Key**, N., (2024, December). Engaging communities, leaders, and practitioners: Advancing transformative research and education, STAR Global Conference, Katmandu, Nepal.
- Sparkman-Key, N., Bingham-Risher, R., Dominques, V., Pathan, A. (2024, November). Navigating career paths: Finding joy through self-care and career ownership, HERS Critical Conversations, Virtual.
- **Sparkman-Key**, N., (2024, August). Culturally competent leadership: Embracing your authentic self, Angelo State University, Virtual.
- **Sparkman-Key**, N., (2024, August). Radical self-care: A global necessity, STAR Scholar Executive Committee, Virtual.
- Sparkman-Key, N., Nenonene, R., Melchoir, S., Caraballo, S., Dixon-Reeves, R., Pathak, A., Collins, K. (2024, April). Connecting, supporting, and empowering ourselves and each other, Virginia Tech Faculty Women of Color in the Academy Conference, Arlington, VA.
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2024, March). The journey towards Inclusive Excellence in Higher Education, Teaching Prevention 2024: Advancing Population Health Across Disciplines, Alexandria, VA.
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2023, November). Black Podcasting, University of Maryland College Park, Virtual
- Sparkman-Key, N., Pathak, A., Jowers-Barber, S., McCollum, G. (2023, March). Empower hour: The FWCA Live Podcast, Faculty Women of Color Conference, Arlington, VA.
- Sparkman-Key, N., (2022, November). Academic Branding. Adultspan Journal Fellows. Virtual.
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2022, October). Graduate School Welcome Keynote. James Madison University, Virtual
- Sparkman-Key, N., (2022, September). Convocation Keynote. James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA
- **Sparkman-Key**, N., Tarver, S., Anderson, B., Clarke, L., Phillips, D. (2022, February). Silences and Silencing 2: Empowering voices, championing diversity, and promoting

- acceptance. James Madison University African and Diaspora Studies Center Conference, Virtual.
- Sparkman-Key, N., Pratt-Clarke, M. (2022, February). AYA: Black Women in Higher Education. James Madison University African and Diaspora Studies Center Conference, Virtual.
- **Sparkman-Key, N.**, (2021, October). Developing inclusive relationships through effective communication [Closing Keynote]. Virginia Association of Governmental Purchasing, Harrisonburg, PA.
- Sparkman-Key, N., Augustine, B. (2021, July). Fostering positive sense of self through creativity. South Dakota Counseling Association Positive Youth Development Summer Series. https://youtu.be/5Eu56ha4tOl
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2021, May). Family Engagement Cultural Perspectives. Norfolk Public Schools-Old Dominion University Partnership Professional Development Series, Virtual. †
- **Sparkman-Key**, N. (2021, April). *Boss Up and Own It: Owning Your Academic Journey*. Keynote, Sisters in Higher Education Symposium, Virtual. †
- **Sparkman-Key**, N. (2020, July). *Leading with passion and perseverance: Cultivating women leaders*. Learning Short Webinar, ACE Virginia Women's Network, Virginia. http://www.virginianetwork.org/resources.html †
- Sparkman-Key, N., Tarver, S., Anderson, B., Clarke, L., Phillips, D. (2021, February). Silences and Silencing: Empowering voices, championing diversity, and promoting acceptance. James Madison University African and Diaspora Studies Center Conference, Virtual.
- Sparkman-Key, N., Key, R. (2019, July). Creating positive pro social behavior through cognitive behavioral interventions. Andrew Chisholm Institute, National Association for Blacks in Criminal Justice, Tampa, FL.
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2019, February). Suffering in silence: Mental health awareness for parents in urban communities. Science Pubs, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA. †
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2018, March). Required skills of family oriented human service practitioners: Preparing students for practice. Paper presented at Global Social Welfare Conference, Virtual. †
- **Sparkman-Key**, N. (2017, March), International service learning: Gateway to developing cultural competence. University of West Indies, Montego Bay, Jamaica.
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2018, March). Recognizing and responding to suicide: A training for school paraprofessionals. Paper presented at the University of West Indies, Jamaica. †
- Sparkman-Key, N. (2016, March). Human service practice in the United States. Paper presented at Montego Bay Community College School of Social Work Public Lecture, Jamaica. †
- **Sparkman-Key**, N., Winfield, C. (2016, March), Pledge for Parity: International Women's Day. Women's Centre Foundation, Montego Bay, Jamaica.
- McCoy, S., Sparkman-Key, N. (2016, August). Culturally competent pedagogy: Inclusiveness that extends beyond diversity. Paper presented at Juniata College Faculty Conference, Pennsylvania. †
- Sparkman, N. (2015, October) Leadership Lecture Series, "How to Get Away with Social Change", Office of Leadership and Student Involvement. Retrieved from: https://online.odu.edu/seminars/leadership student involvement/index.php

- Sparkman, N. (2015, March) Jamaica Human Service Study Abroad, "7 Habits of Highly Successful Families", Women's Centre Foundation, Montego Bay, Jamaica.
- Sparkman, N. (2014, November) Leadership Lecture Series, "Strong Leadership Demands Soft Skills", Office of Leadership and Student Involvement.) Retrieved from: https://online.odu.edu/seminars/leadership student involvement/index.php
- Sparkman, N., (2013, August) Diversity and Counseling Institute, "Global Perspectives in Diversity: An Examination of the Experiences and Treatment of LGBT Population," Old Dominion University, Ireland.

MEDIA APPEARANCE/INTERVIEW

- **Sparkman-Key, N.** (February 2023) After the crisis. Interview. *Virginia Business Magazi*ne. https://www.virginiabusiness.com/article/after-the-crisis/
- Sparkman-Key, N. (December 2021) Top 100 People to meet. Interview. Virginia Business Magazine. https://content.yudu.com/web/1sfs5/0A1shn6/December2021/html/index.html?page=78&origin=reader
- Sparkman-Key, N. (November 26, 2021) From slavery to Jim Crow to George Floyd: Virginia universities face a long racial reckoning. Interview. Washington Post. https://www.washingtonpost.com/education/2021/11/26/virginia-universities-slavery-race-reckoning/
- Sparkman-Key, N. (September 17, 2021) Virginia's vaccination rates, broken down by racial demographics? 13 News Now. https://www.13newsnow.com/article/news/health/coronavirus/virginia-vaccine-covid19-racial-demographics/291-231d979a-42ca-414a-85ff-c3acb88bca4b
- Sparkman-Key, N. (August 2, 2021) Critical Race Theory: What's the truth and why are we talking about this now?. 13 News Now. https://www.13newsnow.com/article/news/local/13news-now-investigates/critical-race-theory-the-truth-why-are-we-talking-about-this-now/291-af3014dd-f7fa-4565-85c3-90f8b36b867b
- Sparkman-Key, N. (August 2, 2021). Myths Mystery and Truths About Black History. Samuel Dewitt Proctor Institute Reparative Justice, Racial Restoration, and Education Editorial. https://soundcloud.com/user-219882508/rjrree-making-it-plain-with-dr-key-1
- Sparkman-Key, N. (April 2, 2021) Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Higher Ed. The Jali Podcast. https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-jali-host-melyssa-barrett/id1534530322?i=1000514200504
- Sparkman-Key, N. (August 2, 2021) Career ownership. Black Wall Street Today Podcast. https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/black-wall-street-today-with-blair-durham/id1477565940
- Sparkman-Key, N. (March 11, 2021) Racism and traffic Bill in Virginia. 13 News Now. https://www.13newsnow.com/article/news/politics/virginia-bill-limit-trafficstops/291-db34199f-8ab3-4887-8d29-d358c5184683
- **Sparkman-Key**, N. (February 24, 2021) Racism as a Public Health Crisis. 13 News Now. https://www.13newsnow.com/article/news/local/virginia/virginia-one-step-closer-declaring-racism-as-a-public-health-crisis/291-ba06c8bd-32b9-429b-84a2-6c372caa0565
- Sparkman-Key, N. (September 5, 2020). Women, leadership, and COVID-19. Guest Appearance WHRO/NPR, Sarah McConnell "With Good Reason". https://withgoodreasonradio.org/episode/working-through-history/?t=971&autoplay=1

- Sparkman-Key, N. (July 29, 2020). ODU professor discuss the impact of being a pessimist. Al Jazeera Arabic News, 1 am News Bulletin, International https://youtu.be/ZwblWH8icek
- Sparkman-Key, N. (June 15, 2020). Floyd murder unleashes black parents' worse nightmare. Interview, The Seattle Medium. https://seattlemedium.com/floyd-murder-unleashes-black-parents-worst-fears/
- Sparkman-Key, N. (June 4, 2020). Reflecting on the Civil Rights Movement. 13 NEWS Now, Norfolk, VA. https://youtu.be/RTnglmBumWY
- Sparkman-Key, N. (June 4, 2020). ODU professor sees protests as a turning point. WAVY News, Norfolk, VA. https://youtu.be/7g9lkBdEnic
- Sparkman-Key, N., (January 9, 2019). Provoking more understanding is the goal of student organization at Maury. Interview, Virginia Pilot. https://www.pilotonline.com/2019/01/09/provoking-more-understanding-is-the-goal-of-new-student-organization-at-maury-high-school-2/
- **Sparkman-Key**, N., (February 12, 2019). Facebook suicide prevention efforts. Guest interview with Al Jazeera News, Doha, Qatar. https://youtu.be/g3YbKr4CLDw.
- Sparkman-Key, N., (February 20, 2019). Local professors weigh in on marijuana usage, depression and suicide among teens. Interview. Virginia Pilot. https://www.wtkr.com/2019/02/20/is-there-a-link-between-marijuana-usage-depression-and-suicide-in-teens-researchers-at-odu-say-yes
- **Sparkman-Key**, N., (March 12, 2019). Suicide prevention: What you need to know. Guest interview on KMB Podcast, Virtual. https://youtu.be/MFUCcWr wSw.
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