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EDUCATION

University of Maryland, College Park Doctoral Candidate, Sociology	College Park, MD 2011-present
University of Maryland, College Park Master of Arts – Sociology	College Park, MD 2013
Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University B.S., Systems Engineering	Tallahassee, FL 2001

FELLOWSHIPS/AWARDS

2013	University of Maryland Summer Research Fellowship
2013	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (3 years)
2013	University of Maryland Dean's Fellowship
2012	Ford Pre-doctoral Fellowship (3 years)
2012	University of Maryland Dean's Fellowship
2011	University of Maryland Dean's Fellowship
2011	University of Maryland Summer Research Fellowship

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

- Race and Ethnicity
- Social Psychology
- Physical and Mental Health
- Black Immigrants
- Black Interethnic Relations
- Mixed Methods Research

PUBLICATIONS

Brewton-Tiayon, Shanna. Forthcoming. "Black Immigrant and African American Relations." In Wiley Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology, 2nd Edition, edited by G. Ritzer.

Shanna Brewton-Tiayon, Daphne C. Watkins Niki Matsuko and James S. Jackson. 2015. "Depression Among Blacks During Late Life: Examining Within Group Variations". In *Prevention of Late-life Depression: Current Clinical Challenges and Priorities*. New York: Springer

Denny, Kathleen, Shanna Brewton-Tiayon, Lucia Lykke, Melissa Milkie. Forthcoming. 2014. "Admonished, then Excused: Portrayals of Fathers' Low Levels of Involvement with Children across the 20th and 21st Centuries". *Fathering*.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Lykke, Lucia and Shanna Brewton-Tiayon. "Weight (Mis)Perception among Overweight and Obese Teens and Young Adults: Psychosocial Explanations." *Youth and Society*.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Brewton-Tiayon, Shanna. "I Don't Know What Kind of Black They Are': Othering, Inclusion and the Ambiguity of Social Position.

Brewton-Tiayon, Shanna. "It's Not Just Black and White: Intra-racial Differences in the Racial and Ethnic Socialization of Children

Brewton-Tiayon, Shanna. "Characteristics, Culture or Structural Bias: Competing Explanations for Understanding Differences in Foreign-born Caribbean Black and U.S.-born Black Women's Obesity."

PRESENTATIONS

2015 American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL
"Weight (Mis)Perception among Overweight and Obese Teens and Young Adults: Psychosocial Explanations"

2014 Eastern Sociological Association, Baltimore, MD
"It's Not Just Black and White: Intra-racial Differences in the Racial and Ethnic Socialization of Children."

2013 Ford Foundation Fellows Conference, Washington, D.C.
"I Don't Know What Kind of Black They Are': Understanding the Processes of Intragroup Othering and Inclusion"

2013 Eastern Sociological Association, Boston, MA
"I Don't Know What Kind of Black They Are': Understanding the Processes of Intragroup Othering and Inclusion"

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2012-2014 University of Maryland, Sociology Critical Race Initiative Administrator

2014 Co-chair of the Parren Mitchell Symposium, University of Maryland

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2014 University of Maryland – Melissa Milkie, PhD

Research Assistant: Worked on a paper exploring the link between parental hopes and fears and the likelihood to medicate children for ADHD

- 2012-2013** **University of Maryland – Patricia Hill Collins, PhD**
Research Assistant: Work collaboratively to establish a critical race initiative at the University of Maryland; qualitative research on critical race projects
- 2011-2012** **University of Maryland - Melissa Milkie, PhD**
Research Assistant: Quantitative and qualitative analysis on mothering, fathering, gender and work/family conflict
- 2010** **George Mason Center for Social Science Research – James Witte, PhD**
Research Intern: Exploration of the conceptualization of common space in a public housing community with a large immigrant population, using grounded theory and Photovoice methods.
- 2010** **Open Society Institute – Nkechi Taifa, J.D.**
Research Assistant: Content analysis on the discriminatory treatment of minorities in the legal system, racial profiling, criminal rehabilitation and re-entry.
- 2010** **American University Sociology Department – Bette Dickerson, PhD**
Temporary Research Assistant: Conducted a literature review and compiled an annotated bibliography in preparation for an upcoming scholarly book exploring grandmother headed households in South Africa as a result of the HIV/AIDS epidemic.
- 2009** **Harbour Group - Dr. Patricia Harbour, EdD**
Research Consultant: Conducted archival research of more than 100 government memorandums and documents, dated between 1972 and 1975, originating from, destined to or in reference to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The documents depicted the civil and political environment surrounding issues of: social services reform, continued dialogues on affirmative action and opposition to mandatory bussing to integrate schools at the time.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Sociological Association	Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD)
Association of Black Sociologists	Eastern Sociological Society

SOFTWARE KNOWLEDGE: NVivo 10, Stata 12

LANGUAGE SKILLS: French

NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Catholic Relief Services
Management Quality Coordinator

Kigali, Rwanda
2007-2008

Africare
Administrative/Financial Officer

Africare
Administrative Officer

United States Peace Corps
Volunteer/Cross-Culture Program Coordinator

Kampala, Uganda
2006-2007

N'djamena, Chad
2004-2006

Cameroon
2001-2003

REFERENCES

Dr. Melissa Milkie, University of Maryland
Dr. Michael Rendall, University of Maryland
Dr. Rashawn Ray, University of Maryland

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