

CURRICULUM VITAE

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Black feminist anthropology, Radical Black Feminism, African Diaspora Anthropology, Medical Anthropology, Critical race theory, Breastfeeding and human lactation, Black Breastfeeding, Mississippi, African Diaspora breastfeeding, critical social theory, Power, Black Power, Civil Rights, Malcolm X, bell hooks, race and resistance, Participatory Action Research, public health, social movements and revolution, U.S. History, Biopolitics, Critical Race Feminism, Applied Anthropology, Third Space Feminism, Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

EDUCATION

- In Progress PhD, Sociocultural Anthropology. University of Washington. Seattle, Washington. Research Interest: Breastfeeding among people of African Descent in the United States. Expected 2020.
- 2016 Master of Arts, Sociocultural Anthropology. University of Washington. Seattle, Washington. Research Competency Paper title: *Uncovering Imperialist White Supremacist Capitalist Patriarchy in Professional Breastfeeding Services: The Greater Complexities of IBCLCs*
- 2015 Graduate Feminist Certificate. Gender Women and Sexuality Studies. University of Washington. Seattle, Washington.
- 2012 Certified Lactation Educator. Simkin Center for Allied Birth Vocations at Bastyr University. Kenmore, WA.
- 2012 Full Circle Doula. The International Center for Traditional Childbearing. Portland, OR.
- 2010 Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology. Western Washington University. Bellingham, Washington. African American Studies, Minor.
- 2009 Associate of Arts and Sciences, Cultural Anthropology. Olympic College. Bremerton, Washington. INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEE.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND TEACHING

- 2017 Instructor, Spring. English 298: Interdisciplinary Writing Program, Linked with Anthropology (269): The History of Rock and Roll.
- 2017 Instructor, Winter. English 298: Interdisciplinary Writing Program, Linked with Anthropology 209: Visual Anthropology

- 2016 Instructor, Autumn. English 298H: Interdisciplinary Writing Program, Linked with Anthropology 215: Medical Anthropology and Global Health.
- 2016 Instructor, Summer. Anthropology 215: Medical Anthropology and Global Health, University of Washington. Seattle, WA.
- 2016 Instructor, Spring. English 298H: Interdisciplinary Writing Program, Linked with Anthropology 213: Anthropology and Sport.
- 2016 Instructor, Winter. English 298E: Interdisciplinary Writing Program, Linked with Anthropology 228: Identities.
- 2015 Instructor, Autumn. English 198
- 2015 Instructor, Summer. Anthropology 369: African American Anthropology, University of Washington. Seattle, WA.
- 2015 Teaching Assistant, Spring. Anthropology 269: Islam and Popular Culture, Dr. Michael Vincente Perez. University of Washington. Seattle, WA.
- 2015 Teaching Assistant, Winter. Anthropology 228: Identities, Dr. Michael Vincente Perez. University of Washington. Seattle, WA.
- 2014 Teaching Assistant, Autumn. Anthropology 215: Introduction to Medical Anthropology and Global Health, Dr. Marieke van Eijk. University of Washington. Seattle, WA.
- 2014 Teaching Assistant, Spring. Anthropology 215: Introduction to Medical Anthropology and Global Health, Dr. Krisjon Olson. University of Washington. Seattle, WA.
- 2013 Teaching Assistant, Autumn. Anthropology 215: Introduction to Medical Anthropology and Global Health, Dr. Rachel Chapman. University of Washington. Seattle, WA.
- 2010 Discussion Group Leader. Anthropology 400: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, Dr. Maria Chavez. Western Washington University. Bellingham, WA.

PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming Anthology *Coming In: Black Lesbian Stories of Introspection*

- 2016 Stanford, Acquanda Y., ‘An Unlikely Anthropologist Doing Unlikely Work in an Unlikely Place: Critical Black Breastfeeding in the Mississippi Delta’. *Bronislaw Magazine*. Spring 2016.
- 2015 Media Review of “Talking Back Voices of Color: Reports from the Front Lines of of Resistance by Radicals of Color.” Wong, Nellie, ed. Seattle: Red Letter Press.
- 2012 Stanford, Acquanda Y., “Helping To Reclaim an African American Tradition.” *Breastfeeding Matters: Breastfeeding Coalition of Washington – A Program of WithinReach*. Vol. 14, No. 2. Pg 6. Fall.
- 2012 Stanford, Acquanda Y., “It’s Just Hair, If You’re White. *MOOT Magazine: Race*. April.

IN PRESS/ONGOING

- 2014 - Present “Seattle Black Feminists Blog” available at <http://bit.ly/189fg5i>
- 2011 - Present Stanford, Acquanda Y. “Lactation Journey Blog” available at: <http://acquandastanford.com/lactationjourneyblog>
- 2010-2011 “Seattle Anthropology Examiner”

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 The Impact of African American Midwives on Breastfeeding at Extended Schedule More Sharing African American Midwives Stories, Jackson, Mississippi.
- 2016 Decolonizing Breastfeeding in Communities of Color: A Webinar.

- 2016 *Racism in Anthropology: Then and Now, and Anthropology's Responsibility in Eradicating It* Panel at World Anthropology Day, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. Organized with Undergraduate Anthropology Society.
- 2015 Invited. BLACK BREASTFEEDING AND BLACK FEMINISM and the Quest for Reproductive Justice at Radical Women Feminist Forum: Our Bodies, Our Lives: Women Battle for Safety and Sovereignty Panel. Seattle, WA.
- 2015 *Black Breastfeeding: Constructing a Framework of Analysis and Action via the Lens of Black Feminist Anthropology* at Reaching Our Sisters Everywhere (ROSE) Annual Breastfeeding Summit: Building Bridges Across the Chasm of Breastfeeding Inequities, Atlanta, GA.
- 2015 *'Lifting as we Climb'? Connecting with Black Women: Aspirations and Challenges* at Seattle Black Feminists' Half-Day Retreat for Black Women, Seattle, WA. Chair, Organized with Seattle Black Feminists members.
- 2015 *Uncovering Imperialist White Supremacist Capitalist Patriarchy in Professional Breastfeeding Services: The Greater Complexities of IBCLCs* at Show and Tell Anthropology Research (STAR). University of Washington, Seattle, WA
- 2015 *Discovering African American Anthropology* at National Anthropology Day. University of Washington, Seattle, WA. Chair, Organized with Undergraduate Anthropology Society
- 2015 *Breastfeeding #BlkBfing and Black Feminist Anthropology* at National Anthropology Day. University of Washington, Seattle, WA. Chair, Organized with Undergraduate Anthropology Society
- 2014 *Assata Shakur Open Letter and connections to Black breastfeeding in America* at A Speak-Out for Justice: Feminists Demand an End to Police Violence from Ferguson to Seattle, Seattle, WA. Organized with Radical Women
- 2014 *Dying, Living and Resisting in American Society: Radical Black History, Radical Care & Why Black Breastfeeding Matters* at Show and Tell Anthropology Research (STAR), Seattle, WA
- 2014 *Are IBCLCs the 'New' Infant Formula?: A Look at Biopolitics, Global Sovereignty and the Proliferation of Breastfeeding Professionals* a Webinar.
- 2014 *What Would Malcolm Do?: Why Breastfeeding Counts as African American Political Thought* a Webinar
- 2012 Invited *Occupy The Bridge: Looking Past Protagonists, and Re-Working the Center* at ROSE (Reaching Our Sisters Everywhere) Breastfeeding Summit: Reclaiming an African American Tradition, Atlanta, GA
- 2011 Invited. *Black women, Body Image and Hair: Exploring Historic and Contemporary Sentiments on Afro-textured Hair and Women of the African Diaspora* at Ladyfest I.E. Feminist Fest: Celebrating Female Arts. Riverside, CA
- 2010 *Anthropological Theory! Where Are Our Sistahs?* at Scholar's Week. Western Washington University. Bellingham, WA
- 2010 *What is Black Feminism?* at Scholar's Week. Western Washington University. Bellingham, WA
- 2009 *Women for Women International* at Scholar's Week. Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA
- 2009 *The Black Woman and Natural Hair* at Scholar's Week. Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

- 2018 Matriarchy Feminist Festival. Seattle, WA. Chair, Organized with Individuals and Community Organizers.
- 2016 World Anthropology Day. University of Washington. Organized with Undergraduate Anthropology Society.
- 2015 Seattle Black Feminists' Half-Day Retreat for Black Women. University of Washington, Seattle, WA. Chair, Organized with Seattle Black Feminist group members.
- 2015 *National Anthropology Day*. University of Washington, Seattle, WA. Chair, Organized with Undergraduate Anthropology Society.
- 2014 *A Speak-Out for Justice: Feminists Demand an End to Police Violence from Ferguson to Seattle*, Seattle, WA. Organized with Radical Women.
- 2013 *Inequity in Breastfeeding Support: The Impact of Institutional Racism, Power and White Privilege on Breastfeeding Rates and Maternal-Infant Health*. Seattle, WA. Organized with the Breastfeeding Coalition of Washington, Native American Breastfeeding Coalition of Washington & community advocates and activists.

GUEST LECTURES

- 2016 *Black Anthropologists DO Exist (Despite what white-centric spaces may [not] tell you)*. Anthropology 460: The History of Anthropology. University of Washington. Seattle, WA.
- 2015 *Black Feminism: A Prerequisite to Black Feminist Archaeology*. Archaeology 205: Principles of Archaeology. University of Washington. Seattle, WA.
- 2014 *Why Black Breastfeeding Matters*. Anthropology 210: Introduction to Medical Anthropology and Global Health. University of Washington. Seattle, WA.

MEDIA INTERVIEWS

- 2015 *Black Breastfeeding in Mississippi on The Bottom Line* Natchez, MS 99.7 WTYJ
- 2015 *The Importance of Breastfeeding in the Black Community*. 91.9 WDSV (Delta Sounds and Voices) Greenville, MS.
- 2014 *Tune Into the View from A Rack for Cultural Anthropology with Acquanda Stanford*. Available here: <http://bit.ly/1C9fwyL>
- 2014 *Blind Spots in Breastfeeding Support Part I* Our Milky Way: Healthy Children Project Center for Breastfeeding. Available here: <http://bit.ly/1EXkePY>
- 2014 *Blind Spots in Breastfeeding Support Part II* Our Milky Way: Healthy Children Project Center for Breastfeeding. Available here: <http://bit.ly/1EpX6un>
- 2013 *Radical Doula Profiles: Acquanda Stanford* Available here: <http://bit.ly/1A0GYrW>
- 2012 *Wombanist Views Women's History Month Feature: Acquanda Stanford*. Available here: <http://bit.ly/1E2B1Am>
- 2012 *The Benefits of Breastfeeding with Queen Ifama and Sister Acquanda*. Available here: <http://bit.ly/1LWKMkk>

HONORS

- 2017 *Black Woman Being* Recipient
- 2017 Stand Out Black Student *Outstanding Black Achievement and Excellence* Honor Recipient, University of Washington Black Student Union

Stanford, Acquanda Y

2015 *Outstanding UW Woman* Nominee, University of Washington

AWARDS

2015 University of Washington Graduate Student Travel Award

2015 University of Washington Department of Anthropology Pilot Research Funding in Medical Anthropology and Global Health

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENTS

Indiana Black Breastfeeding Coalition (IBBC)

International Center for Traditional Childbearing (ICTC)

National Association of Professional and Peer Lactation Supporters of Color (NAPPLSC)

Native American Breastfeeding Coalition of Washington (NABCW)

Reaching Our Sisters Everywhere (ROSE) Breastfeeding Coalition

SERVICE

2015 – Present Seattle/Black Feminist Library, Founder

2015 – Present Space(s for Black Women in Graduate School), Founder and Organizer

2014 – Present Seattle Black Feminists, Creator and Coordinator

2014 – 2015 Open Arms Perinatal Services, Volunteer Doula

2014 – 2016 Seattle Non-Profit Anti-Racist Coalition (NPARC), Leadership team member

2011– 2014 ABCs Visioning Team: Anti-Racism in Breastfeeding, Board Member

2011– 2014 Breastfeeding Coalition of Washington, Steering Committee Member

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Anthropological Association (Section Memberships: Association of Black Anthropologists, Association for Feminist Anthropology)

Society for Applied Anthropology

LANGUAGES

American Sign Language (Proficient)

English (Native Speaker)

Elementary Spanish

Ebonics

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Professional references available upon request