

## TCU Vita

1. **Name:** Melanie L. Harris.
2. **Place and Date of Birth:** Denver, Colorado.
3. **Educational Background:**
  - B. A. in English, Spelman College, 1997.
  - M. Div. Iliff School of Theology, 2001.
  - M. Phil. Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York, 2004.
  - Ph.D. in Christian Social Ethics, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York, May 2006.
4. **Formal Continuing Education:** Ordained Clergy, Spiritual Leadership and Direction Certificate Program.
5. **Professional Certifications:** Harvard Leadership Program, Spiritual Direction, Yoga Certification
6. **Present Rank:** Associate Professor.
7. **Year of Appointment to the University, and rank:** 2005. Assistant Professor.
8. **Year of Last Promotion:** 2011
9. **Previous Teaching and Research Appointments, other than at TCU:**
  - a. **Part Time:**
    - Visiting Professor and Researcher, Iliff School of Theology Denver, CO Fall 2008.
    - Visiting Professor, Interdenominational Theological Center Atlanta, GA Spring 2009
    - Teaching Assistant, Union Theological Seminary, NY Spring 2005.
    - Teaching Assistant, Union Theological Seminary, NY Fall 2003.
    - Instructor, Supervised Ministry, Iliff School of Theology 2000 – 2001.
  - b. **Full Time:**

## **10. Previous Professional Positions:**

Researcher, Veterans of Hope Project for Democratic Renewal, Denver, CO  
1998-2000

Worship Coordinator, The Riverside Church, New York, NY  
2003-2004

Community Affairs Coordinator, KCNC-TV CBS, Denver, Colorado  
2000-2001

News Writer and Producer, KCNC-TV CBS, Denver, Colorado  
1998-2000

Traffic Producer, WSB-TV ABC, Atlanta, Georgia  
1996- 1998

Production Assistant & Intern, KCNC-TV, NBC, Denver, Colorado  
Summers 1994-1997

Media Specialist, Spelman College, Atlanta, Georgia  
1995-1997

## **11. Courses Taught:**

Religion 10043 – Understanding Religion: Ethics and Values  
Fall 2005, Spring 2006 (two sections), Fall 2006, Spring  
2007 (two sections), Fall 2007, Spring 2008 (two sections),  
Fall 2009 (two sections), Spring 2010 (sections), Fall 2011,  
Spring 2012 (two sections), Fall 2013, Spring 2014  
(two sections), Fall 2014, Spring 2015 (two sections), Fall  
2015, Spring 2016

Religion 50970 - Directed Study in Religion  
Spring 2014

Religion 30303 - Christian Social Ethics.  
Fall 2006, Fall 2011, Fall 2013

Religion 30803 - Religion and News Media.  
Spring 2008.

Religion 30343 – Black Religion in the U.S.  
Fall 2005, Spring 2007.

Religion 30813 – Black Religion and Black Literature.  
Spring 2006, Fall 2007.

Religion 30473 – Womanist Religious Thought  
Spring 2010, Spring 2014, Spring 2015

New Courses Developed and Approved:  
Religion - Women, Race and Earth

Religion 40713 - Women, Race and Earth: Environmental Justice  
Fall 2014, Spring 2016

## **12. External Support Sought:**

### **a. Received:**

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Lilly Endowment Inc., Peer Mentoring Research Cluster Grant, University of Georgia Summer 2016 – 2017 - \$7,500

Special Donor, Compassion and Justice: Buddhist Resources for Womanist Reflection with Dr. Charles Hallisey, Harvard Divinity School Summer 2010 - \$15,000

The Sister Fund, Compassion and Justice: Buddhist Resources for Womanist Reflection with Dr. Charles Hallisey, Harvard Divinity School Summer 2010 - \$10,000

Emory University, Alice Walker and Cannon Fellowship, Research Collections, 2009 - \$1,000

The Sister Fund Keeping the Light, Third Wave Feminist Project: Women of Faith: Scholarship, Activism, and the Next Generation” with Dr. Kathryn Ott, Religious Institute and Drew Theological School, 2008-2010 – \$10,000

The Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard Divinity School, Buddhist Resources for Womanist Reflection” with Dr. Charles Hallisey, Senior Lecturer on Buddhist Literatures, Harvard Divinity School, Spring 2008 - \$15,000

The Ford Foundation, Womanist Scholars Program with Interdenominational Theological Center, “EcoWomanism: Womanist Perspectives on Earth Justice,” 2008-2009 - \$20,000

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Lilly Endowment Inc., “Next Steps: Teaching into the Difficult,” Publications Project and Consultation Summary for Women Scholars of Color in Religion, Spring 2009 - \$2,935.40

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Lilly Endowment Inc., “Teaching into the Difficult” Teaching Consultation for Women Scholars of Color in Religion, 2007-2008 - \$20,000

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Workshop on Teaching and Learning Pre-Tenure Religion Faculty At Colleges and Universities, \$7,000 Grant Award, 2007.

**b. Not Received:** Louisville Institute Minority Scholars Grant, 2007.

**c. Pending:**

**13. Internal Support Sought:** Research and Creative Activities Fund, Spring 2010, \$2,000

**b. Pending:** Instructional Development Grant, African American and Africana Studies Minor, Fall 2016

**14. Graduate Theses and Dissertations Directed:** None

**15. Presentation of Scholarly and Creative Activities:**

**a. Refereed Publications:**

Harris, Melanie L., Gifts of Virtue, Alice Walker, and Womanist Ethics. New York: Palgrave Macmillan Press, 2010. (Paperback edition published 2013).

Harris, Melanie L. Guest Editor, Worldviews: Global Religions, Culture and Ecology Special Issue: Ecowomanism: Earth Honoring Faiths (Brill, 2016).

Harris, Melanie L. and Kate M. Ott, Faith, Feminism, and Scholarship, (Palgrave Macmillan, 2011).

Harris, Melanie L. “In the Company of Friends: Womanist Readings of Buddhist Poems” in Buddhist-Christian Studies, Hawai’i: The University of Hawai’i Press Volume 36, 2016: 3-8.

Harris, Melanie L. “Ecowomanism: Black Women, Religion, and the Environment” in The Black Scholar. New York: Routledge Publishing, Volume 46, 2016: 27-39

Harris, Melanie L. “Roundtable Women of Color in the Religious Studies Classroom: Silent Scripts and Contested Spaces” by Melanie L. Harris, Carolyn Medine and Helen Rhee in Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion. Indiana: The Indiana University Press, Volume 32, 2016: 110-114

Harris, Melanie L. "Ecowomanism: Earth Honoring Faiths Introduction" in Worldviews: Global Religions, Culture and Ecology Special Issue: Ecowomanism: Earth Honoring Faiths. Guest editor, Melanie L. Harris, Series editor Chris Chappell. Boston: Brill Publishing, 2016: 1-3.

Harris, Melanie L. "Ecowomanism" in Worldviews: Global Religious, Culture and Ecology Special Issue: Ecowomanism: Earth Honoring Faiths. Guest editor, Melanie L. Harris, Series editor Chris Chappell. Boston: Brill Publishing, 2016: 5-14

Harris, Melanie L. "Womanist Spirituality: Legacies of Freedom" in Contemporary Perspectives On Religions in Africa and the African Diaspora. Ibigbolade S. Aderibigbe and Carolyn M. Jones Medine. New York: Palgrave MacMillan, 2015: 146-160

Harris, Melanie L. "Buddhist Resources for Womanist Reflection" in Buddhist-Christian Studies. Hawai'i: The University of Hawai'i Press, Volume 34, 2014: 107-116

Harris, Melanie L. "Engaged Buddhism and Liberation Theologies: Fierce Compassion as a Mode of Justice" in Buddhist Responses to Globalization. Leah Kalmanson and James Mark Shields. New York: Lexington Books, 2014: 99-106

Harris, Melanie L. "Teaching toward Eco justice: Integrating Womanist Justice and Environmental Concern in the Classroom," Religious Studies News, Spotlight on Theological Education, March 2013 [www.aar.org](http://www.aar.org) or [rsnonline.org](http://rsnonline.org).

Harris, Melanie L. "Buddhist-Christian Dialogue: Meditation for the Recovery of the Womanist Self" in Buddhist-Christian Studies. Rita M. Gross and Terry C. Muck. Hawai'i: The University of Hawai'i Press, Volume 32, 2012: 67-72.

Harris, Melanie L. "Moral Vision: An Ecowomanist Vision" in Ethics That Matters: African, Caribbean, and African American Sources, James Samuel Logan and Marcia Y. Riggs. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2012: 189-194

Harris, Melanie L. "'Womanist Wholeness and Community'" in Faith, Feminism, and Scholarship. Melanie L. Harris and Kate M. Ott, New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011: 128-141

Harris, Melanie L., "Alice Walker Ecowomanist Spirituality." Spirit and Nature. Tim Hessel-Robinson and Ray Maria McNamara. Oregon: Wipf and Stock, 2011: 220-236

Harris, Melanie L. "African American Religion and the Environment." African American Religious Cultures. Anthony B. Pinn. Oxford: ABC-CLIO, 2009: 491-498

Hill, Jack A., Melanie L. Harris, Hjamil Martinez-Vazquez. "Fighting the Elephant in the Room: Recognizing and Dismantling Systems of Advantage in U.S. Higher Education." Teaching Theology and Religion 1 (2009): 12 – 16.

Harris, Melanie L., “Womanist Humanism: A Deeper Look.” CrossCurrents 57 (Fall 2007): 391 – 403.

Harris, Melanie L., “Womanist Humanism: A New Hermeneutic.” Deeper Shades of Purple: Charting Twenty Years of Womanist Approaches in Religion and Society. Ed. Stacey Floyd-Thomas. New York: New York University Press, 2006: 211 – 225.

Harris, Melanie L., “Saving the Womanist Self: Womanist Soteriology and the Gospel of Mary.” Union Seminary Quarterly Review 58 (October 2004): 177 – 180.

**b. Non-refereed Publications:**

“Teaching Womanism Is A Revolutionary Act” [www.ecclesio.com/2013](http://www.ecclesio.com/2013)

Harris, Melanie L., “Womanist Methodologies Re-Considered: The Third Wave – Thriving.” The Society for the Study of Black Religion Newsletter Spring 2007: 3-6.

Harris, Melanie L., Rev. of Joy Unspeakable: Contemplative Practices of the Black Church, by Barbara A. Holmes. Union Seminary Quarterly Review 58 (October 2004): 231-233.

Harris, Melanie L., Rev. of Religion, Art & Visual Culture: A Cross-Cultural Reader, by S. Brent Plate. Journal of Media and Religion 3 (2004): 75-76.

**c. Materials or activities accepted or scheduled but not yet printed, released, or presented.**

**d. Materials under active review by external editors or referees:**

Harris, Melanie L. *Ecowomanism: African American Women and Earth Honoring Faith* (Forthcoming, Orbis Press)

Harris, Melanie L. “Ecowomanist Wisdom Encountering Earth and Spirit” in Planetary Solidarity A Global Feminist Theology of Climate Justice edited by Grace Ji-Sun Kim and Hilda Koster, Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press (in press).

Harris, Melanie L. “New Modes of Healing: Connecting Earth Justice and Social Justice in Ecowomanism” in Womanism Rising: Womanist Studies edited by Layli Maparyan, Chicago: University of Illinois Press (in press).

**e. Papers Presented, participation on panels, etc., at scholarly meetings:**

Flint Water Crisis, Environmental Racism and African American Environmental Religious History” Green Faith Black Church Studies and Environmental Justice Scholar, Webinar February 18, 2016.

“African American Environmental History” Green Faith Black Church Studies and Environmental Justice Scholar, Webinar February 23, 2014.

“The Intersection of Religion, Class and Ecology in Urban and Rural Communities” Leading Scholar in African American Environmental Justice, Panelists with *Green the Church* and *Green For All*, Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference February 15, 2016 Houston, TX.

“Spirituality, Health, and Wealth in African American Communities” 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Center for African American Studies Critical Issues in the Black Community Pursuing Justice for All, University of Texas at Arlington, February 13, 2016.

“Academic Freedom” American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 21, 2016

“Black Lives Matters Social Movement Organizing and Teaching Environmental Justice” American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA November 23, 2016.

“Womanist Contemplative Pedagogy” Minding The Field Exploring and Expanding Women and Gender Studies in North Texas, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX October 29, 2015.

“African American Environmental History and Climate Change: Linking Social Justice with Earth Justice” Samuel De Witt Proctor Conference, Norfolk, VA, February 1-12, 2014.

“Eco-Memory and the Great Migration” National Women’s Studies Association, Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, November 8, 2014.

“African American Environmental History and the Civil Rights Movement” American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD November 23, 2014.

“Doing Christian Ethics from the Margins” African and African American Interest Group, Society of Christian Ethics, Annual Meeting, Chicago, Saturday January 5, 2013.

“Interreligious and Comparative Theological Approaches to Black Religion” The Society For the Study of Black Religion, Annual Meeting, New Orleans, March 2012.

“Faith, Feminism, and Scholarship: The Next Generation” Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group, American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Chicago, Monday November 19, 2012.

“Beyond Identity Politics” Special Topics Forum, co-sponsored by the Committee on Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession, the Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession, and the Committee of LGBTIQ Scholars in the Profession, American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Chicago, Monday, November 19, 2012.

“Mentoring Women Scholars in the Academy” Special Topics Forum, co-sponsored by the Status of Women and the Racial and Ethnic Minority Committees of the American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Chicago, Sunday, November 18, 2012.

“The Gifts of Buddhist Meditation for the Recovery of the Womanist Self or Sitting on the Mat: Self Love Actualized” co-sponsored Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group with the Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group, American Academy of Religion, San Francisco, California, Monday November 20, 2011.

*Panel Convener*

Panel Organizer, Paper Selection, and Evaluator of Proposals for the Ethics, Society and Cultural Analysis Section of the Southwest Commission of Religious Studies, Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 2009, March 2010, March 2011, March 2012 and March 2013.

“From Black Ethics to Black Action: In Search of a Common Moral Discourse,” Society of Christian Ethics, Annual Meeting January 5, 2007 Hyatt Regency Dallas

“On Six Virtues and the Spirituality of African Peoples: In Honor of Dr. Peter J. Paris, Past SCE President,” Society of Christian Ethics, Annual Meeting January 6, 2007 Hyatt Regency Dallas (panel co-organizer)

“Borderlands as Transformative Pedagogical Resource: Re-Envisioning the Teaching of Social Ethics: Responses to ‘Building More Inclusive Institutions: Enabling Each Other to Teach More Effectively for Diversity and Justice’ by Jack Hill,” Southwest Commission on Religious Studies Annual Meeting March 3, 2007 Westin Hotel DFW

**16. Editorships, consultantships, professional and creative activities, and professional engagements.**

Faculty Coordinator for the envisioning and implementation of an African American and Africana Studies program at TCU, AddRan College of Liberal Arts Administrative Fellow, 2015-2016

Faculty Planning Team Member for the construction of the Comparative Race and Ethnic Studies program at TCU, 2015- Present



### *Professional Engagements - Guests Lectureships*

“Alice Walker: Beauty in Truth” Film Lecturer for City of Fort Worth, Human Rights Film Series, Fort Worth Museum of Modern Art, Fort Worth, TX March 10, 2016.

“African American Religious Environmental History and Ecowomanism: Black Self Recovery and Earth Care” Methodist Theological Seminary in Ohio Williams Lectures, April 22-23, 2015.

“Black Roots and Contemplative Practice: A Conversation with Dr. Melanie L. Harris,” Texas Christian University, Contemplative Practices Group, Hosted by Dr. Mark Dennis, Religion Department TCU, Fort Worth, TX, October 23, 2015.

“Black Earth: Environmental Ethics, Black Women and Earth Honoring Faith, Duke Divinity School, Durham, North Carolina, April 4, 2013.

“Earth Justice: Womanist Perspective The Origins of Ecowomanism,” Ford Foundation Womanist Scholars Program Spring Lecture Series, Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, GA February 5, 2009

“Faith, Race and the Future of Democracy in America: Womanist Reflections” Veterans Of Hope Project, Iliff School of Theology, Denver, CO October 18, 2008.

“Is America Possible? Race and Black Religion The Role of Black Religion in the Making of American and The Intersections Between Democratic Values, Religion, Race and Justice,” Drake University Stringfellow Lecture Series, Des Moines, Iowa April 22, 2008.

“Womanist Pedagogy,” Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York, New York City, NY April 19, 2007

### *Consultantships*

Ford Foundation Fellowship Programs Review Team, The National Academies , Policy and Global Affairs Division, Washington, D.C. March, 2010 ~ Chair of the Religion and Philosophy Section March, 2012-Present

Forum for Theological Exploration *Nurturing the Next Generation of Scholars* program in partnership American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature (SBL), and Coordinator of Fellows Mentoring Program Site Visits 2008 – 2016.

Retreat Guide, “The Soul Work of Addressing Race and Privilege in the Classroom” Lancaster Theological Seminary, Racial Reparations Workshop and Faculty Retreat facilitated with Dr. Jennifer Harvey, Lancaster, PA May 10 – 11, 2016

Workshop Leader, “Living into the Difficult: Race, Diversity and Duluth for All”

Peace Church United Church of Christ, St. Marks AME Church, Racial Justice Workshop with Dr. Jennifer Harvey, Duluth, MN March 11 – 13, 2016

Contemplative Retreat Guide and Workshop Leader, Spiritual Directors International, Emerging Wisdom Retreat and Conference, Santa Fe, NM April 29 – May 2, 2014

Lead Organizer and Instructor, Earth Honoring Faith, “*Women’s Wisdom: Listening to Earth, Opening to God*” Ghost Ranch Presbyterian Conference and Retreat Center, 2014

Faculty Team Member, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Lilly Endowment, Inc., Pre-Tenure Workshop Faculty 2015-2016.

Teaching Faculty, Southern Methodist University Perkins Youth School of Theology, Summer Academy Theology and Ethics, Summer 2008, 2009, 2015

Project Director, *Wisdom Sharing with Alice Walker, Gloria Steinem and Hyun Kyung Chung*, Ghost Ranch, Presbyterian Church, USA, 2012-2015

Co-Director, *Earth Honoring Faith Program*, Ghost Ranch, Presbyterian Church USA, with Dr. Larry Rasmussen and Dr. Janet Parker, 2011-2015

Green Faith Black Church Studies and Environmental Justice Scholar, 2015-2016

Selected Participant, American Academy of Religion LUCE Summer Seminar on Theologies of Religious Pluralism and Comparative Theology, Cohort Three Member, May 30 – June 7, November 16, 2012, August 2016.

Co-Director, Publication Phase *Compassion and Justice: Buddhist Resources for Womanist Reflection*, The Center for the Study of World Religions at Harvard University with Dr. Charles Hallisey, Harvard Divinity School, Boston, MA, November 1-3, 2012.

Consultant, “I Am Here” series on Women Against Violence, Global Conversations Monterrey, Mexico, November 28-30, 2012.

Consultant, “African and African Diasporic Women in Religion and Theology Conference” at the Talitha Cum Centre, Trinity Theological Seminary, Legon, Ghana with the University of Ghana in Accra, July 8-14, 2012.

#### *Professional and Creative Activities*

Co-Director of Constructive Theology Workgroup, in association with Vanderbilt University, 2016 – Present

Participant, *MultiFaith Women Leaders Convention*, sponsored by The Sister Fund, Auburn Seminary, National Council of Churches, American Society of Muslim Advancement Jewish Theological Seminary and The Ford Foundation at El Sueno del Corazon, Abiquiu, NM January 11 – 14, 2010.

#### *Media Interviews*

“Crossing Borders in Fort Worth: An Interview with Dr. Melanie L. Harris,” Baptist Peacemaker, 2016.

“Women As Change Agents: Ecowomanism, An Interview with Dr. Melanie L. Harris,” Presbyterian Hunger Program Justice Journal 2015: <http://www.pcusa.org/resource/ph>  
“A Strong Voice: A Profile on Rev. Dr. Michael Bell, First African American Elected President Of The Baptist General Convention of Texas,” The Dallas Morning News, January 28, 2006.

Wisconsin Public Radio, 91.3 FM KUWS Superior Duluth, People of Color with Henry Banks, “Living Into the Difficult: Racial Justice and a Reparations Paradigm,” Interview with Dr. Melanie L. Harris and Dr. Jennifer Harvey March 11, 2016

Religion and Ethics Newsweekly, “Faith and Climate Change” Coverage of the People’s Climate March on September 21, 2014 New York City aired on September 28, 2014  
[www.pbs.org](http://www.pbs.org)

Huffington Post, Faith and Climate Change Coverage of the People’s Climate March

#### *Seleted Sermons*

“Living Into the Difficult: Trusting God’s Power, Seeding in Faith,” St. Marks’ African Methodist Episcopal Church, Duluth, MN March 13, 2016

“Preaching Peace” Shorter Community African Methodist Episcopal Church, Denver, CO August 2013

“To Gain A Heart of Wisdom” Friendship West Baptist Church, Dallas, TX October 7, 2011

“Embodying Peace” First Jefferson Unitarian Universalist Church Fort Worth, TX September 12, 2010

“Take God Seriously” Daughters of Shorter Celebration Shorter Community African Methodist Episcopal Church, Denver, CO March 28, 2010

**17. Academic advising activities:** Student advising commitments have been met during the past six years. Beyond advising, I have supported students’ applications for FTE

Undergraduate Fellowships, written letters of recommendation for student University service activities and served as a reference for students' applying for professional opportunities and graduate studies.

**18. Departmental Service:**

Department of Religion Faculty Texas Christian University  
Chair, Recruitment Committee, 2009 – 2010  
Recruitment Committee, 2010-2011  
Search Committee 2010- 2011  
Curriculum Committee, 2007-2008, 2009-present

Department of Religion Faculty Search Committee Member,  
Texas Christian University 2006-2007

“The Making of A Womanist,” *Texas Christian University*, TCU Department of Religion Student Club *Chi Delta Mu* Presenter, November 7, 2005.

**19. College Service:**

AddRan College of Liberal Arts Administration Fellow, 2015-2016

Texas Christian University Add Ran Humanities College Curriculum Committee,  
2006 – 2008.

**20. University Service:**

Founding Director of African American and Africana Studies Program, Texas Christian University

Junior Transitions Committee, Texas Christian University 2009 – 2010

Ethics Colloquy: Citizenship and Social Values, Texas Christian University, 2009

Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Committee, Texas Christian University  
2009-2010

**21. Community Activities:**

KERA-TV, Board of Trustees, 2010- present

KERA-TV, Community Advisory Board, March, 2007 – 2010.

Southern Methodist University, Perkins Youth School of Theology, Southern Methodist University Summer Academy College, 2008-2015.

Minister in Service, Greater St. Stephen's Church, Fort Worth, TX, Fall 2005 – Spring 2007

“Faith, Ethics and Lived Religion,” *University Christian Church*, Fort Worth, Texas, Featured Class Speaker, December 4, 2005.

## **22. Memberships in Professional Organizations:**

American Academy of Religion, Member, 2001 – present.

American Academy of Religion, Board of Directors, Member Advocate, 2012-2015

American Academy of Religion, Ethics Section Steering Committee  
Fall 2006 – 2009.

American Academy of Religion, Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the  
Profession Committee, 2006 – 2012.  
Chair, 2010-2012.

American Academy of Religion, Womanist Scholars Steering Committee  
2003-2005.

American Academy of Religion Southwest Commission on Religious Studies,  
Chair Ethics Section, 2007 – Present.

American Academy of Religion Southwest Commission on Religious Studies,  
Co-Chair Ethics Section, 2006 – 2007.

Society of Christian Ethics, Member, 2002 – present.

Society of Christian Ethics, Board of Directors, 2010-2015 (elected)

Society of Christian Ethics, Programming Committee, 2008-2009.

Society of Christian Ethics, African American Working Group  
Coordinator, 2003-2007.

Society of Christian Ethics, African American Interest Group,  
2002 – 2007.

Society of the Study of Black Religion, 2005 – present.

Society of the Study of Black Religion, Executive Committee, 2014-2015  
Nominating Committee, 2006 – 2009.

**Professionally Related Honors and Awards:**

Harvard Leadership Program Graduate, Harvard University, Boston, MA  
December 2015

Southern Methodist University, Perkins Youth School of Theology Summer  
Academy College, Award Teaching and Mentoring, , 2009 and 2010, 2015

**24. Other Professionally Related Activities:**

Professional Clergy, African Methodist Episcopal Church  
Ordained Elder, 2002.

Spiritual Director, SDI Certification, 2012

Yoga Instructor, 2014