

CURRICULUM VITAE
TRACY Y. CURRY OWENS, PH.D.
5520 Mayfair Crossing Drive, Lithonia, GA 30038
770.241.8470
tracyowens@yahoo.com

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Psychology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. 1997
Dissertation: Cardiovascular and Emotional Health: Examining Ethnic Differences in Women.

Master of Arts, Psychology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. 1994
Thesis: Stability of Psychophysiological Responses: A One Month Test-Retest Study

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, Hampton University, Hampton, VA. 1991

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer, Department of Psychology, Spelman College, Atlanta, GA
2017-Present

- Teach Personality Theory, Introduction to Psychology Lab, and Research Methods Lab

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA
2017-Present

- Teach Research Methods and Statistics II, Research Methods and Statistics II Lab, and Introduction to Psychology as a Social Science

Lecturer, Department of Psychology, Spelman College, Atlanta, GA
2016 -2017

- Courses taught: Personality Theory, Introduction to Psychology, Statistics in Psychology, and Statistics in Psychology Lab

Lecturer (Part-time), Department of Psychology, Spelman College, Atlanta, GA
2014 -2016

- Courses taught: Research Methods Lab and Statistics in Psychology Lab

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA
2010-2016

- Courses taught: Research Methods and Statistics II, Research Methods and Statistics II Lab, Research Methods and Statistics I Lab, Introduction to Psychology as a Social Science, and Supervised Fieldwork
- Research Advisor for Psychology students taking Directed Studies Course

- Faculty Sponsor for Peer-Led Team-Learning (PLTL) program for Research Methods and Statistics II. Develop learning modules, supervise Peer Leaders, and compile data for program evaluation.
- Co-investigator on pedagogical research study (Free Riding Effect and Student Performance) with Morehouse College Faculty (Psychology Department and Accounting Department)

Graduate Student Instructor, Psychology Department, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
1993-1994

- Course taught: Introduction to Psychology

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Consultant and Technical Advisor, Lithonia, GA

2003- Present

- Research project management, statistical data analysis and translation, scientific scholarship, information synthesis and dissemination
- Develops, implements and evaluates research, health education and intervention projects; development of research protocols, develop analytic plans, develop and evaluate survey instruments and measurement tools
- Provides technical assistance on community capacity building; collaborating with community members, community-based organizations, community stakeholders, and government agencies
- Plans and facilitates trainings, workshops, educational events, focus groups, interviews, workgroups, and expert advisory panels

Senior Faculty Associate, Department of Epidemiology, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, Atlanta, GA

1997-2003

- Conducted statistical data analysis and managed study database, provided technical expertise on data collection, and qualitative study methodology
- Research design and measurement/questionnaire development
- Developed and implemented project health promotion activities
- Supervised and trained research staff

Research Consultant, Morehouse Medical Treatment Effectiveness Center, Morehouse School of Medicine, Atlanta, GA

1997

- Research investigator for quality of life study for African American breast cancer survivors
- Research design and data analysis
- Project manager and focus group facilitator

Research Assistant, Department of Psychology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
1995-1996

- Investigator for personality, health, and cardiovascular reactivity in women
- Research design, data analysis, and study coordinator

Research Assistant, Program for Research on Black Americans, Institute for Social Research,
Ann Arbor, MI
1994-1995

- Investigator for study on racial differences in psychosocial and behavioral correlates of cancer
- Research design, data analysis, and oral presentations
- National Cancer Institute working group member

Summer Intern, Howard University Cancer Center, Washington, D. C. and National Cancer
Institute, Bethesda, MD
1992

- Summer Research Oncology Intern on study of psychosocial correlates of survival rates, mortality rates, and disease stage at time of diagnoses for Black and White cancer patients
- Research study design, data analysis, and program evaluation

TEACHING INTERESTS

Introduction to Psychology	Lab course in Research Methods
Personality Psychology Theory	Lab course in Statistics
Research Methods in Psychology	Lab course in Personality Psychology
Scientific Writing for Psychology	Seminar in Personality and Health
Statistics for Behavioral Sciences	Seminar in Health Equity
Supervised Fieldwork in Psychology	Seminar in Individuals Differences in Personality
Lab course in Introduction to Psychology	

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Personality correlates and social determinants of health
Contextualized stress and health outcomes for African American women
Reproductive health outcomes for African American women
Social determinants associated with health disparities
Behavioral health interventions and health promotion
Health equity and building healthy communities
Community-based participatory research

PUBLICATIONS

- Jackson, F. M., James, S. A., Owens, T. C., & Bryant, A. F. (2017). Anticipated Negative Police-Youth Encounters and Depressive Symptoms among Pregnant African American Women: A Brief Report. *Journal of Urban Health, 94* (2), 259-265.
- Curry Owens, T. Y. and Jackson, F.M. (2015). Examining life-course socioeconomic position, contextualized stress, and depression among well-educated African American pregnant women. *Women's Health Issues, 25* (4), 382-389.
- Jackson, F.M. Rowley, D. L. and T. Y. Curry Owens. (2012). Contextualized stress, global stress, and depression in well-educated, pregnant African-American Women. *Women's Health Issues, 22* (3), e329-336.
- Jackson, F. M., Phillips, M. T., Hogue, C. J. R., and Curry Owens, T. Y. (2001) *Examining the Burdens of Gendered Racism: Implications for Pregnancy Outcomes among College-Educated African American Women. Maternal and Child Health Journal, 5* (2) 95-107.

PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

- Curry Owens, T. Y. (2017) Examining life-course socioeconomic position, contextualized stress, and depression among well-educated African American Pregnant Women. Panelist for Effects of Racism, Stress, and Depression During and After Pregnancy panel discussion at *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting*, Atlanta, GA.
- Jackson, F.M. Rowley, D. L. and T. Y. Curry Owens. (2012). Contextualized stress, global stress, and depression in well-educated, pregnant African-American Women. Poster presentation at *NIH Science of Eliminating Health Disparities Summit*. National Harbor. MD.
- Jackson, F. M. and Curry Owens, T. Y. (2010) Preconceptual Health and Infant Mortality. Training Workshop for the *Office of Minority Health Resource Center (US HHS)*. Atlanta, GA.
- Jackson, F. M. and T. Y. Curry Owens. (2010) From Research to Intervention and Action: Healthy Babies Do Begin With You. Training Workshop for the Preconception Peer Educator Program. *Spelman College and Office of Minority Health Resource Center (US HHS)*. Atlanta, GA.
- Curry Owens, T.Y. (2009) Hurt People, Hurt People: Our Emotional Health and Spiritual Life. Guest speaker at the *Faith Workshop Women's Conference*, Newport News, Virginia.

- Curry Owens, T. Y. (2006). Knowing the Risks and Taking Action: Heart Disease and African American Women. Guest speaker for *Mocha Moms, Inc. National Platform Meeting*. Lithonia, GA.
- Curry Owens, T. Y. (2006). Mocha Moms Housecall: Understanding Depression. Invited talk at the *South Dekalb Mocha Moms meeting, Mocha Moms, Inc.* Lithonia, GA.
- Curry Owens, T. Y. and Jackson, F. M. (2005). A Contextual Analysis of Active Coping among African American Women. Poster presentation at *Society of Behavioral Medicine Annual Meeting*. Boston, MA.
- Curry Owens, T. Y. (2000) A Psychophysiologic Study of Cardiovascular Health in Women. Social Epidemiology Department Colloquium, *Morehouse School of Medicine*, Atlanta, GA.
- Jackson, F., Phillips, M., Hogue, C., and Curry-Owens, T. Y. (1999) Correlations of Stress and Reproductive Outcomes. Panelist for Maternal and Child Health panel discussion at *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL.
- Curry Owens, T. Y. (1999) Active Coping (John Henryism) and Stress in the Lives of African American Women: Stress and Strain Scale Validity. Paper presented as part of a group presentation with Jackson, F., Phillips, M., and Hogue, C., *Division of Reproductive Health, Center for Disease Control*, Atlanta, GA.
- Curry Owens, T. Y. (1998) African American Women's Mental Health Status, Coping Strategies, and Help-seeking Behavior. Guest lecturer for Women and Children's Health Seminar- Race, Class and Gender: Implications for the Health Status of African American Women, *Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University*, Atlanta, GA.
- Bull, S., Bell, K., Kendal, A., Hogue, C, and Curry Owens, T. Y. (1997) Coordination of WIC Services with Medicaid Managed Care. Presented at *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting*, Indianapolis, IN.
- Curry Owens, T. Y. (1997) Cardiovascular and Emotional Health: Examining Racial Differences in Women. Presented at *Division of Diabetes Translation, Center for Disease Control*, Atlanta, GA.
- Curry, T. (1996). Cardiac Reactivity and Health Correlates. Poster presentation at the *American Psychological Association Annual Meeting*, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- Curry, T. (1996). Personality, Cardiac Reactivity and Health. Poster presentation at *Midwestern Psychological Association Annual Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- Curry, T. and Larsen, R. J., (1992). Dispositional Cardiovascular Reactivity: Correlations with Personality, Emotion and Daily Health. Paper presentation for the

Personality Psychology Colloquium at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2010-2016 Working Group Member. Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP), Live Healthy Dekalb Coalition. Decatur, GA.
- 2009-2015 Technical Advisor and Action Team Member. Consumer Advocacy Group and Customer Satisfaction Network. Atlanta Civic Site and Annie E. Casey Foundation, Atlanta, GA.
- 2008-2014 Board Member. The Repertoire, Inc. Lithonia, GA.
- 2007-Present Board Member. Keeping My Kids, Inc. Lithonia, GA.
- 2000-2004 Steering Committee. Social Determinants of Health Working Group. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Atlanta, GA.
- 1999 Advisory Committee. Walking for Wellness. National Black Women's Health Project. Atlanta, GA.
- 1997-1998 Strategic Planning Committee. Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University. Atlanta, GA.
- 1993-1995 Working Group Member. Black/White Cancer Survival Study Working Group (BWCSS). National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health. Bethesda, MD

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Ford Dissertation Fellowship, Ford Foundation, National Research Council, 1995
- Dissertation Research Grant, Graduate School, University of Michigan, 1995
- Research Partnership Award, Graduate School, University of Michigan, 1995
- Summer Research Partnership Grant, Psychology Department, University of Michigan, 1995
- Academic Development Research Grant, Office of Academic and Multicultural Initiatives, University of Michigan, 1994
- Travel Award, Psychology Department, University of Michigan, 1992
- Rackham Merit Fellowship, Graduate School, University of Michigan, 1991
- Ford Pre-doctoral Fellowship Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation, National Research Council, 1991

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Psychological Association
- American Public Health Association
- Society of Behavioral Medicine