

## **CURRICLIUM VITAE**

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### **EDUCATION**

- 2012      Doctoral Candidate. PhD expected Spring 2013.  
*Dissertation Title:* "I Thought I'd Found Home": Uncovering the Hidden Transcripts of African American Lesbian Place-making." Advisor: Dr. Richard Schein.  
The University of Kentucky, Department of Geography, Lexington, Kentucky.
- 2006      M. A. in Urban and Regional Planning, The University of Delaware.  
*Thesis:* "The Recolonization of American Cities."
- 2001      B.A. in Political Science, Kentucky State University.

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Urban, Cultural and Historical Geography  
Race, Class, Gender and Sexuality in the American South  
Historic Urban Planning and Housing Policies and African American Communities  
Sexuality and Citizenship  
LGBTQ Archives and Oral Histories  
African American LGBT Communities  
Media and Cultural Studies

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- 2012      Adjunct Professor, Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky.  
Principle Instructor for Principles of Geography, Human Geography and Geography of Africa. Mentored and advised undergraduate students interested in graduate studies.  
Assisted with the Behavioral and Social Sciences Club.
- 2012      Teaching Assistant, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky.  
Assistant Instructor with teaching Marlon Riggs and Gender and Race in Documentary Film. Facilitated class discussion related to film and texts.
- 2008      Adjunct Professor, Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky.

2006            Instructor, Fayetteville Technical Community College, Fayetteville, North Carolina.

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- 2011            **Archival Research Associate, Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History**, African American Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Queer (LGBTQ) Print Culture Collection, Atlanta, Georgia. (June 2010-August 2011). In June 2010, I began a partnership with the Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History where I used archives, texts and interviews to supplement my fieldwork in Atlanta. As a result of my work, I was able to contribute several of my interviews to the African American Lesbian and Gay Print Culture Collection. I was also responsible for interviewing community members for African American LGBTQ Print Culture Collection. Created multi-media and Internet based tools to help patrons discover the Print Culture Collection online. Helped locate and map spaces that were historically relevant to the elder African American lesbian and gay population.
- 2006            **Research Assistant, Delaware Interagency Council on Homelessness Delaware State Housing Authority**, Wilmington, Delaware. (August 2005-June 2006). Conducted policy analysis research that guided and defined goals for the Delaware Interagency Council on Homelessness. Interacted with local service providers and formally homeless people to create effective strategies that tackle homelessness in the community. Compiled information on federal grants received by the State of Delaware that directly or indirectly went towards social agencies working with homeless populations.
- 2005            **Strategic Investment Researcher, North Carolina Housing Finance Agency**, Raleigh, North Carolina. (June 2005-August 2005). Conducted research on local and national examples of Supportive Housing to utilize as background research for the portfolio. Contacted and met with various developers and Supportive Housing properties to discuss programs and policies.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **FORTHCOMING**

- 2013            Aretina Hamilton. "Loving Atlanta: A Re (Reading) of Gay Black Space". Ed. Lisa Moore. In *Geechee To Gumbo: Black Southern Woman Loving Culture & Politics*. Redbone Press.
- 2013            Aretina Hamilton. and Kesha Peace. "The Place We Call Home: A Photographic Retrospective." Ed. Lisa Moore. In *Geechee To Gumbo: Black Southern Woman Loving Culture & Politics*. Redbone Press.

#### **BOOK REVIEWS**

- 2011 Aretina Hamilton. "The Culture of Property: Race, Class, and Housing Landscapes in Atlanta, 1880-1950." *Historical Geography* #39 (Fall 2011).
- 2010 Aretina Hamilton. "A Review of "Understanding Cultural Geography: Places and Traces." *Professional Geographer*. 62 (4): 551-553 (Fall 2010).

### **RESEARCH GRANTS**

- 2011 The University of Kentucky Women's Club Fellowship  
Funded: \$2,000
- 2011 Department of Geography Barnhart-Withington Fund  
The University of Kentucky  
Funded: \$500
- 2011 The University of Kentucky Graduate School  
Funded: \$500
- 2010 Women's Studies Program Bonnie Cox Research Grant  
The University of Kentucky  
Funded \$1,000
- 2010 Department of Geography Barnhart-Withington  
The University of Kentucky  
Funded: \$1,000
- 2010 Urban Geography Specialty Group  
American Association of Geographers  
Funded: \$100
- 2010 Southeastern Women's Studies Association  
Funded: \$100
- 2010 The University of Kentucky Graduate School  
Funded: \$500

### **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

- 2012 "Obviously, he's never been to Atlanta – the San Francisco of the South": Atlanta and the Dilemma of Southern Regionalism." at the Race, Ethnicity and Place Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico, October 24-October 26, 2012. Presenter and Session Organizer.
- 2012 "(Somewhere) A Place for Us: Citizenship and Territoriality Among African American

Lesbians in Atlanta,” at the American Association of Geographers Conference, New York, New York, February 24-28, 2012. Presenter and Session Organizer.

- 2012 “All women want to be Jackie Kennedy or Marilyn Monroe”: Reading Enlightened Sexism and Embedded Feminism in *Mad Men*, *The Playboy Club* and *Pan Am*, at the Southeastern Women Studies Association Conference, Fairfax, Virginia, March 29-31, 2012. Presenter and Session Organizer.
- 2011 “New Scholarship in LGBTQ Studies" and "Social Activism in the 21st Century," at the Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History, Atlanta, Georgia, February 11-12, 2011. Invited Panelist.
- 2011 “No Longer Waiting to Exhale, Just Hyperventilating: The Rebirth of Black Macho and Portraits of Female Subordination in the Filmography of Tyler Perry,” at the Southeastern Women Studies Association Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, March 24-26, 2011. Presenter.
- 2010 “Hidden Behind the “Shade: Uncovering the Spaces of African American Lesbians in the Urban South,” at the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, April 16, 2010. Presenter.
- 2010 “Who Gonna Check Me boo?”: Race, Gender, Sexuality in Bravo’s ‘The Real Housewives of Atlanta’. At the Southeastern Women Studies Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Columbia, South Carolina. Presenter.
- 2009 “Everything Must Change: The Evolution and Eradication of Minority Neighborhoods in American Cities,” at the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV, March 26, 2009. Presenter.
- 2009 Deconstructing Erasures in the Landscape: The Evolution and Eradication of Minority Neighborhoods in Lexington, Kentucky, 1900-1972, at the Race, Ethnicity and Place Conference, Miami, FL, November 7, 2008. Presenter.

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Planning Association

American Studies Association

American Association of Geographers

American Association of Geographers Specialty Groups: Cultural Geography, Sexuality and Space  
Geographic Perspectives on Women, Graduate, The Study of the American South, Urban Geography

National Women’s Studies Association

Southeastern Women’s Studies Association

Urban Affairs Association

## **LEADERSHIP**

Sexuality and Space Specialty Group, American Association of Geographers, *Co-Chair*  
The Study of the American South Specialty, American Association of Geographers, *Secretary*  
Southeastern Women's Studies Association, *Student Representative*

## **CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT**

2012 University of Kentucky LGBTQ Taskforce  
2011 Gender Women's Studies Interdisciplinary Committee  
2010 Gender Women's Studies Graduate Student Union

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2011 Ford Foundation Fellowship Dissertation Award, Alternate  
2011 The Point Foundation Scholarship, Semi Finalist  
2008 Southern Regional Education Board Doctoral Scholar (2008-present)  
2008 Lyman T. Johnson Academic Fellowship (2007-2008)  
2004 Department of Housing and Urban Development Minority Fellow