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**Education:**

Florida A&M University, B.A. with distinction, 1971  
Columbia University School of Social Work, M.S., 1976  
The Graduate School & University Center of The City University of New York, Doctor of Social Welfare, 1993.

**Present Position:**

**Associate Professor & Director of Social Justice and Equity Education**  
**Silberman School of Social Work at Hunter College**

**Experience**  
**Teaching**

<b><u>Institution</u></b>	<b><u>Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Rank</u></b>	<b><u>Department</u></b>
Silberman School of Social Work	1993-Present	Associate Professor	Social Work
Woodrow Wilson School of Public & International Affairs Princeton University	2005, 2006	Faculty, Junior Summer Institute	Public & International Affairs
Boston University School of Social Work	1992-1993	Assistant Professor	Social Welfare Policy and Research
Florida A&M University	1980-1987	Assistant Professor	Sociology, Anthropology and Social Welfare

**Other (non-teaching)**

<b><u>Institution</u></b>	<b><u>Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>
Columbia University School of Social Work	1990-1992	Research Associate

**Other (non-teaching)**

<b><u>Institution</u></b>	<b><u>Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>
Hunter College, Student Services	1987-1990	Assistant Director, Residence Hall

Florida Center for Children And Youth, Tallahassee, FL	1978-1980	Research Associate
Harlem Teams for Self-Help New York, NY	1976-1978	Senior Social Worker
Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy Home for Children, Bronx, NY	1972-1976	Child Care Supervisor

### **Selected Publications:**

#### **Books**

Stories of Transformative Leadership in the Human Services: Why The Glass Is Always Full, co-authored with Steve Burghardt (Sage Publications, Publication date, January 2010).

#### **Book Chapters**

Social Work Education: From Diversity to Anti Oppression Social Work Practice, in *Transforming Health and Human Services System*. Oxford University Press (2014).

#### **Book Reviews**

Willie F. Tolliver (2018). Joshua L. Miller and Ann Marie Garran. (2017). *Racism in the United States: Implications for the Helping Professions*. 2nd Ed. New York, NY: Springer. In *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*, 38:2, pp, 240-243, DOI:[10.1080/08841233.2017.1413911](https://doi.org/10.1080/08841233.2017.1413911)

#### **Articles**

- Sept, 2017 Almeida R., Dressner L., Tolliver W. (2017) Decolonizing Couples and Family Therapy: Social Justice Praxis in Liberatory Healing Community Practice. In: Lebow J., Chambers A., Breunlin D. (eds) *Encyclopedia of Couple and Family Therapy*. Springer, Cham
- Dec, 2016 Bliss, G., Almeida, R., Tolliver, W. A conversation with Dr. Rhea Almeida and Dr. Willie Tolliver. *Voices* 52:3. pp. 25-34.
- January, 2016 Tolliver, Willie Tolliver F, Bernadette R. Hadden, Fabienne Snowden, Robyn Brown-Manning: Police killings of unarmed Black people: Centering race and racism in human behavior and the social environment content, *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 26:3-4.
- January, 2016 Hadden, Bernadette R., Willie Tolliver, Fabienne Snowden, Robyn Brown-Manning. An authentic discourse: recentering race and racism as factors that contribute to police violence against unarmed Black or African American men. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 26:3-4, pp. 336-349.

- June, 1997      Invoking the Spirit: A Model for Incorporating The Spiritual Dimension of Human Functioning into Social Work Practice. *Smith College Studies in Social Work*. 67:3, pp.477-486.
- Fall, 1995      At the Point of Need: A Model for Church Based Social Services. *Black Caucus*, 2:1, pp.12-20.

### **Professional Activities:**

#### **Scholarly and Professional Presentations**

- October, 2018      Panel Presenter, 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Liberation-Based Healing Conference: Resist Unite Thrive. Presentation, Unsettling Coloniality in Social Work Education: “Creating A Place Where We Can All Breathe Together”. St. Louis University, St. Louis MO
- May, 2018      Invited Panelists, Jewish Community Relations Council, “Talking Across the Divide: Healing America One Conversation at a Time”. New York NY
- November 2017      Panel Presenter, 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Liberation-Based Healing Conference: Staying Awake & Mobilizing Hope. Presentation: “Disturbing the Western Project of Psychology in Social Work”. Southern University School of Social Work, New Orleans LA
- June, 2017      “A Call To Action”, New York Women’s Foundation & A Call To Men. Silberman School of Social Work, New York, NY
- June, 2017      Workshop Presenter, 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Bronx Mental Health Forum: The Historical & Collective Trauma of Racism: Implications for Service Providers. Workshop Title: Liberation Health Practice Introduction, Bronx NY
- November, 2016      Chair, Silberman Host Committee, The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Liberation-Based Healing Conference: “Revolutionizing Our Scholarship, Our Streets, & Our Practices, Silberman School of Social Work At Hunter College, New York NY
- May, 2016      Unsung Heroes: An Intergenerational Dialogue on Bayard Rustin & The Invisibility of LGBTQ Identities in Civil Rights Movements (Student Organized), Respondent and Facilitator. Silberman School of Social Work. New York.
- November, 2015      Presenter, 10 Annual Liberation-Based Healing Conference, California State University. Panel Presenter: “Diversity: The Velvet Glove of White Supremacy. Northridge CA
- November, 2015      Strell Executive Leadership Fellows, Co-Presenter, Anne Isom Williams, Topic: Leading Through Self Knowledge. Westchester County, NY
- June, 2015      Workshop Presenter: “No Justice No Peace: Supporting individuals and addressing the inequitable environments in which they live”. New York NY

- April, 2015 #ArtsIsJustice Symposium (Student Organized), Panel Moderator: Art & Social Justice, Silberman School of Social Work, New York, NY
- March, 2014 Invited Presenter, 30 Annual Field Educators Conference, Fordham – “Anti Oppression Social Work Practice”. New York NY
- April, 2012 Invited, Presenter, Westchester Institute for Human Development 40-Year Anniversary Lecture Series. White Plains NY
- October, 2012 Invited, Presenter: “Transformational Leadership.” Michigan State University, East Lansing MI
- September, 2008 Invited, Keynote Speaker, Office of Children and Family Services, Washington, DC.
- June 2008 Invited, Keynote Speaker, Leadership Forum, Administration for Children’s Services, New York, NY.
- 2005, 2006 Invited Lecturer, “Poverty Alleviation Best Practices”, presented to African Policy and Government Officials at The Hetta Institute, New York, NY.
- February, 2003 Presenter, “Spirituality at Work”, presented to HR Executives, Verizon, New York, NY.
- 2002, 2003 Luncheon Keynote, “Spirituality In The Workplace”, Working Woman Conference, New York, NY.
- December 2011 Invited Workshop Facilitator, “If the Work is Sacred So Are You: Self-Care for Social Workers”, Administration For Children’s Services, MSW Interns and Practicum Instructors, New York, NY.
- 2002 Invited Guest Presenter, “Bill O’Reilly Television Show”, “Housing Policy and Urban Renewal” in Harlem, New York, NY.
- April 25, 1998 Invited Conference Presenter, “Diversity: A Human Rights Issue”, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO.
- January 28/29, 1998 Invited Workshop Facilitator, “Cultural Competence: Principles and Skills for Intensive Case Management” Hunter College School of Social Work, New York, NY.
- December 7, 1997 Guest Lecturer, “Establishing A Diversity Task Force for Social Work Education” University of Connecticut , School of Social Work, Hartford, Conn.
- July 24, 1997 Guest Lecturer, “Disabling Difference: A Social Work Challenge”, Hazel Augustine Lecture Series, Smith College School for Social Work, Northampton, MA.

- May 7, 1997           Invited Panelist, “Challenges of Diversity”, Hunter College, New York, NY.
- March 21, 1997       Invited Presenter, “Incorporating Disability Content Into the Social Work Curriculum”, Spring Faculty Meeting, Smith College School for Social Work, Northampton, MA.
- March 14, 1997       Plenary Speaker, “Race Matters: Theory, Practice and Policy”, American Orthopsychiatric Association, 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada.
- February 6, 1997     Invited Workshop Leader, “Culturally Competent Intensive Case Management” ICM/CICM Alumni Training Session, Hunter College School of Social Work, New York, NY.
- October 26, 1996     Invited Workshop Leader, “Strength In Diversity: how can we reclaim our power by embracing our differences and identifying our common ground”, STAND Conference, City College, New York, NY.
- June 20, 1996        Guest Lecturer, "Invoking the Spirit." Hazel Augustine Lecture Series, Smith College School for Social Work, Northampton, MA.
- March 16, 1996        "Incorporating the Spiritual Dimension into Social Work Practice." School of Social Work Colloquium, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL.
- November 1, 1995     "Spirituality and the Helping Process." University Wide Colloquium, Boston University School of Social Work, Boston, MA.
- June 22, 1995        Invited Presenter, "Striving for Cultural Competence in the Classroom." Columbus Statewide Conference on Multi-cultural Education, Columbus, OH.
- April 15, 1995        Invited Panelist and Presenter: “The Black Church as a Social Service Provider” Symposium, Chaired by Dr. Andrew Billingsley, Distinguished Scholar on African American Families, National Association of Black Social Workers Annual Conference, New York, NY.
- March 17, 1995        Invited Presenter, "Black Males: Imaging Success." Office of the Superintendent, Kansas City Public School, Kansas City, MO.
- May 14, 1994         Keynote Speaker, “Excellence: A Shared Responsibility” Office of the Superintendent, Staff Development Conference, Board of Education of the City of New York-Community School Board 16, New York, NY.

**Grants:**

- 2011                   Principal Investigator, Westchester County Family Court, 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, Racial Disproportionality Study (\$48,000).

2010 - 2013	Co-Principal Investigator, Office of Children and Family Services and ACS Satterwhite Academy Project, NY State funded (\$1,000,000).
2008- 2010	Co-Principal Investigator, Twining Institute Project, Capacity Building in Schools of Social Work, Nigeria (\$250,000).
2008	Co-Principal Investigator, Office of Children and Family Services and ACS Satterwhite Academy Project, NY State funded (\$500,000).
2000	Co-Principal Investigator, "Project Grow: Violence Prevention in Elementary Schools", Joint venture with the NYC Board of Education, Hunter College School of Social Work, (\$1.5 million) Federal Grant.
1998	Co-Project Director, Veterans Outreach Project In The Harlem Community, The New York Community Trust, (\$68,484)
1998	Co-Project Director, Child Welfare Training Grant, Administration for Children's Services, New York, NY (\$1,000,000), NY State and City funded
1997	Co-Project Director Child Welfare Education Grant, Administration for Children's Services, New York, NY (\$526,849)
1995-1997	Co-Principal Investigator, Multicultural Training, City of New York Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Alcoholism Services, (\$179,500).
1995-1996	Co-Principal Investigator, Harlem Interfaith Counseling Service and The Research Foundation, CUNY Funded research to document the psycho-spiritual model of social work intervention practiced in this Harlem based agency. (\$51,500)

**Administrative and other service on behalf of the School of Social Work:**

1995 - 2012	Chair, Committee for Undoing Racism, Hunter College School of Social Work
1995 - Present	Member, Hunter College Student/Faculty Disciplinary Committee
1997 - 2002	Director, One Year Residence Program Director for this MSW pathway serving three classes (150 students per class) of employed students matriculating through the MSW program. Responsibilities included outreach to prospective students, initial review of admissions folders and final decisions for admission. In addition, academic advisement for the first and third year students as well as final review for all perspective graduates were additional responsibilities assigned to this role. The director planned the School of Social Work Recognition Ceremony for graduates in January of each year. The director handled all other aspects of the program including trouble-shooting situations involving

students with academic issues, job-related issues, and other life situations occurring during a students' tenure in the pathway.

Fellowships:

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| 1989- | Bayard Rustin Fellow, Awarded Doctoral Studies Assistance Grant, (\$5,000)   |
| 1991  | Participated in year-long study of social and economic justice movements around the world. In addition, we were exposed the rich legacy of Bayard Rustin, civil and human rights activist. |
| 1987  | CSWE Minority Fellow, Doctoral Studies Assistance provided through the Council of Social Work Education.   |
| 1987  | Brookdale Center on Aging Fellow   |

International Interests:

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| 1998-Present | Senegal, West Africa – established study linkages with villages and local Mouride Muslim leaders to better understand the Mouride Muslims living in the United States. |
| 2005-2006    | Lecturer at the Hetta Institute – Poverty Alleviation in Ghana, Nigeria, The Gambia, Tanzania, South Africa and Kenya  |