

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Sociology and Africana Studies  
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**WORK ADDRESS**

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**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

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Race and Ethnicity, Critical Race Theory, Stigma, Social Movements, Mindfulness and Health

**PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

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**STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY**, Stony Brook, NY

2011-Present: *Assistant Professor of Sociology*, with courtesy appointment in Africana Studies

**UNIVERSITÉ LILLE-3**, France

Spring 2015: *Visiting Professor*

**EDUCATION**

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**HARVARD UNIVERSITY**, Cambridge, MA

Ph.D. in Sociology, May 2011

Dissertation Title: “Imagining French Atlantic Slavery: A Comparison of Mnemonic Entrepreneurs and Everyday Antilleans in Metropolitan France”\*

*\*Winner, Georges-Lavau Award for Best Dissertation on French Politics,  
American Political Science Association*

Committee: Michèle Lamont (chair), Mary Lewis, Orlando Patterson, Christopher Winship

M.A. in Sociology, May 2007

Qualifying Paper Title: “Poetry, Politics and the Public Sphere: How Race Structures Discourse in Spoken Word Poetry Venues”

General Examinations: Race and Ethnicity, Cultural Sociology, Stratification and Organizations

**WELLESLEY COLLEGE, Wellesley, MA**

B.A. magna cum laude, May 2004

Majors: Sociology (honors) and French

Senior Thesis (Sociology): “Performing Blackness: Symbolic Boundaries and Aesthetic Distinctions among Spoken Word Poets in Boston”

**INSTITUT D’ETUDES POLITIQUES, Paris, France**

Visiting Student, November 2007 – August 2009

**UNIVERSITÉ DE PROVENCE, AIX-MARSEILLE I, Aix-en-Provence, France**

Visiting Student, January 2003 – June 2003

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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<i>Fellowship Application Screener</i> The Paul and Daisy Soros Foundation	2014
<i>Instructor</i> Harvard University Institute for Quantitative Social Science Cambridge, MA	2010 – 2011
<i>Qualitative Data Analysis Specialist</i> Harvard University Department of Sociology Cambridge, MA	2009 – 2010
<i>Research Intern</i> United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) <i>The Slave Route Project</i> Division of Intercultural Dialogue Paris, France	2008

**BOOK MANUSCRIPTS**

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**Fleming, Crystal M.** 2017. *Resurrecting Slavery: Racial Legacies and White Supremacy in France*. Philadelphia: Temple University Press.

**REFEREED ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS**

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2016. Gonzalez, Adam, Locicero, B., Mahaffey, B., **Fleming, C.**, Harris, J. and Vujanovic, A. “Internalized HIV-Stigma and Mindfulness: Associations with PTSD Symptom Severity in Trauma-Exposed Adults with HIV/AIDS. Behavior Modification.” *Behavior Modification*. 40(1-2): 144-163.

2015. **Fleming, Crystal M.** and Morris, A. “Theorizing Ethnic and Racial Movements in the Global Age: Lessons from the Civil Rights Movement.” *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*. 1(1): 105-126.

2012. **Fleming, Crystal M.** “White Cruelty or Republican Sins? Competing Frames of Stigma Reversal in French Commemorations of Slavery”, *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 35(3), pp. 448-505.

2012. **Fleming, Crystal M.**, Lamont, M. and Welburn, J. “African Americans Respond to Stigmatization: The Meanings and Salience of Confronting, Deflecting Conflict, Educating the Ignorant and Managing The Self.” *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 35(3): 400-417.2011.

2007. **Fleming, Crystal M.** and Roses, L. “Black Cultural Capitalists: African American Elites and the Organization of the Arts in Early Twentieth-Century Boston.” *Poetics* (356): 368-387.

2005. Lamont, Michèle, **Fleming, C.** "Everyday Anti-Racism: Competence and Religion in the Cultural Repertoire of the African-American Elite and Working Class". *The Du Bois Review: Social Science Research on Race* (2:1), pp. 29-43.

## **BOOK CHAPTERS**

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2016. **Fleming, Crystal M.** “Spirituality and Mindfulness.” In *Gender: Love*, edited by Jennifer C. Nash. Macmillan Interdisciplinary Handbooks series. Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan Reference USA

2013. Lamont, M., **Fleming, C.** and Welburn, J. “Responses to Discrimination and Social Resilience Under Neoliberalism: The United States Compared.” (with Michèle Lamont and Jessica S. Welburn) in *Social Resilience in the Neo-Liberal Age*, Edited by Peter A. Hall and Michèle Lamont. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

*\*French translation: "Les africains-américains face aux discriminations à l'époque néo-libérale", Informations Sociales, n°177, mai-juin 2013, n° spécial, "Le volontarisme aux Etats-Unis : un lien social à l'épreuve".*

2011. Gross, Neil and **Fleming, C.** "Academic Conferences and the Making of Philosophical Knowledge" in Camic, Charles, Neil Gross and Michèle Lamont (Eds.) *Social Knowledge in the Making*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

2011 **Fleming, Crystal M.** “The Educational Experiences of Caribbeans in France”, pp. 79-98 in Kassie Freeman, Ethan Johnson and Kelvin Shawn Sealey (Eds.), *Education in the Black Diaspora*. London and New York: Routledge.

## **REVIEWS, ESSAYS AND ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES**

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2016. **Fleming, Crystal M.** “Kindler, Gentler Pathologizing: Racial Asymmetries in *The Cultural Matrix*.” *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 39:8, 1436-1444

2014. **Fleming, Crystal M.** “Tiny Publics: A Theory of Group Action and Culture.” *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 43: 206-208.

2012. Lamont, M, Welburn, J. and **Fleming, C.** “Varieties of Responses to Stigmatization: Macro, Meso, and Micro Dimensions.” (with Michèle Lamont and Jessica Welburn). *Du Bois Review: Social Science Research on Race*. 9(1): 43-49.

2008. **Fleming, Crystal M.** “Joyce Ladner” in Gates, Henry L, and Evelyn B. Higginbotham (Eds.) *The African American National Biography (Volume 5)*. New York: Oxford University Press.

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## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

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“Ambivalent Antiracism: Understanding French Caribbeans’ Opposition to Affirmative Action” (with Hewan Girma, under review)

“Mindfulness and Minority Health: A Review” (with Jalana Harris)

“Black Women Meditators in New York City”

“A Cross-Cultural Exploration of Mindfulness Meditation in an Elder African American Community” (with Jeffrey Proulx)

“Considerations for Research and Development of Culturally Relevant Mindfulness Interventions in Native and African American Communities” (with Jeffrey Proulx et al, under review)

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS**

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- 2015                      **Presidential Mini-Grant for Department Diversity**  
(\$7900)  
“Mindfulness and Diversity: A Research Forum to Enhance Awareness and Improve Minority Health”, with Adam Gonzales, Stony Brook School of Medicine
- European Union Erasmus Mundus Research Grant**  
(9600 Euros)  
MITRA: Mediation Interculturelle: Identités, Mobilités, Conflits  
Université Lille-3
- 2014                      **Career Enhancement Fellowship**  
(\$30,000)  
Woodrow Wilson Foundation
- Faculty in the Arts, Humanities and lettered Social Science Research Grant**  
(\$3000)  
Stony Brook University
- 2013                      **Faculty in the Arts, Humanities and lettered Social Science Research Grant**  
(\$3000)  
Stony Brook University
- 2013                      **Dean’s Award for Excellence**  
(\$3400)  
College of Arts and Sciences  
Stony Brook University
- 2011                      **Faculty Diversity Program Research Grant**  
(\$15,000)  
Office of Diversity and Educational Equity  
State University of New York

- 2010                    **Dissertation Completion Fellowship**  
(\$23,000)  
Harvard University  
Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
- 2009                    **Horton-Hallowell Graduate Fellowship**  
(\$11,000)  
Wellesley College Center for Work and Service
- Justice, Economics and Welfare Fellowship**  
(\$22,500)  
Weatherhead Center for International Affairs  
Harvard University
- Travel Grant to Stockholm, Sweden**  
(\$500)  
**Department of Sociology, Harvard University**
- 2008                    **Summer Research Grant**  
(\$5,000)  
Woodrow Wilson Foundation
- Summer Research Grant**  
(\$3900)  
Harvard University Department of Sociology
- Summer Research Grant**  
(\$690)  
Graduate Student Council, Harvard University (GSAS)
- 2007                    **Sciences-Po Exchange Fellowship**  
(\$20,000)  
Harvard University and L’Institut d’Etudes Politiques’
- Dissertation Fellowship**  
(\$10,000)  
Center for European Studies, Harvard University
- Travel Grant to Oxford, England**  
(\$750)  
Department of Sociology, Harvard University
- Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship**  
(\$3900)  
Social Science Research Council
- 2006                    **Opportunity Grant**  
(\$500)  
Center for European Studies, Harvard University
- Travel Grant to Stockholm, Sweden**  
(\$750)  
Department of Sociology, Harvard University

- 2004                    **Ford Foundation Pre-doctoral Diversity Fellowship**  
(\$52,500, totaled over 3 years)
- Graduate Prize Fellowship, Harvard University**  
(\$36,000, totaled over 2 years)
- Travel Grant to Paris, France**  
(\$800)  
Department of Sociology, Harvard University

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

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- 2012    Georges-Lavau Dissertation Prize for Best Dissertation on French Politics  
American Political Science Association, French Politics Group
- 2011    Princeton Society of Fellows (*Finalist*)
- 2007    Certificate of Excellence in Teaching, Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning  
Harvard University
- 2004    Honors awarded for senior thesis  
Department of Sociology  
Wellesley College
- Alpha Kappa Delta Award for Excellence in Sociology  
(Most distinguished senior majoring in Sociology)  
Wellesley College
- Mellon Mays Award for Outstanding Academic Performance  
Social Service and Personal Character  
Wellesley College
- Junior Fellow to the American Association of Political and Social Science

## **INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2016    “(Forget About) Work/Life Balance! A Holistic Alternative to Building Your Academic Career”,  
Mellon Mays Fellows Professional Network Biennial Conference, University of Pennsylvania,  
Philadelphia, PA
- “Black Feminist Methodology and Mindfulness Research: Notes from a Pilot Study”, Oregon  
Health and Sciences University, Portland, OR.
- “Meditations in Black: Nurturing our Well-being in the Midst of Racial Trauma”, PreSERVE  
Coalition Keynote Address, Portland, OR.
- “Racial Temporality and the (Mis)representation of Slavery in France”, *Special Session:  
Rethinking Slavery*, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA.
- “Killing them Softly: Anti-blackness and Legacies of Slavery in France”, Institute for Research on  
African American Culture, Columbia University, New York, NY.

- “Racial Resurrections: Remembering Transatlantic Slavery in France”, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL.
- 2015 “White Supremacy and Memories of Slavery in Metropolitan France”, The States of the Memory of Slavery: International comparative Perspectives/ La mémoire de l’esclavage dans tous ses états. Perspectives internationales comparées, École des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France.
- “Resurrecting Slavery: Racial Legacies and White Supremacy in France” (Book Discussion), LaGuardia Community College, Long Island City, NY.
- “Rethinking Pluralism: The 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 2005 French Riots”, Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Baltimore, MD.
- “Invisible Labor: Exploitation of Marginalized Scholars”, Ford Foundation National Conference, The National Academies, Washington, D.C.
- “French White Supremacy and the Legacies of Slavery”, Lille-3, Lille, France.
- “La Commemoration de l'Esclavage Comme Outil d'Antiracisme: Vers Une Théorisation de la Temporalité Raciale”, “Les Populations Noires en France: Nouvelles Dimensions Historiques et Historiographiques” (Research Seminar), Paris-8, Paris, France.
- 2014 “The New Black Elite”, French American Foundation, New York, NY.
- “Ahistorical Antiracism: Understanding French Blacks’ Ambivalence toward Affirmative Action”, Social Science History Association Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada
- “In Virtual Defense of Harriet Tubman: A Spiritually Reflexive Autoethnography”, ASA Conference, San Francisco, CA
- Blacks of France: New Directions in the History and Historiography of an African Diaspora. UC Berkeley, March 20-21, 2014, Berkeley, CA
- 2013 “Facing Race or Saving Face? How French Politicians Talk About Slavery”, ASA Conference, Section on Ethnic and Racial Minorities, New York, NY
- “We Are/Not Immigrants: French Antillean Perspectives on Migration and Immigration in France”, Annual Conference of the Council on European Studies, Amsterdam, the Netherlands.
- “Race through the Transatlantic Lens: The Significance of African American Popular Culture for Caribbeans in France”, Race and Representation Conference, SUNY Stony Brook, NY
- 2012 “Two Steps Forward, One Step Back: French Politicians’ Confused Embrace of Ethnoracial Categories”, Contemporary France: Histories, Allegiances, Policies. The John Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD
- 2011 “African Americans’ Responses to Racism”, with Michèle Lamont and Jessica Welburn, POLINE Conference, Sciences Po, Paris, France
- 2010 “Lutter pour la mémoire : Les Formes de Résistance dans la Commémoration de l’Esclavage en France”, *Journées d’Études en Psychologie Sociale*, Centre de Recherches en Psychologie, Cognition et Communication, Université de Bretagne, France

“A View from Afar: French Caribbean Perspectives on U.S. Race Relations and African-American Identity in the Age of Obama”, session on *Notions of Race and Blackness in the African Diaspora*, Annual Meeting of the Association of Black Sociologists, Atlanta, GA

“Attitudes towards Reparations for Slavery: The Case of Caribbean Migrants in France”, *Negotiating Racial Histories: Cultural Meaning and Collective Memory Roundtable*, Section of Ethnic and Racial Minorities, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA

“Responding to Stigmatization and Gaining Recognition: Evidence from Middle Class and Working Class African-Americans” with Michèle Lamont and Jessica Welburn, regular session on *Racism and Anti-Racism: Racism in the "Post-Race" Society*, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA

“French Descendants of Slaves: An Evaluation of the Cultural Trauma Perspective”, *Spring Conference: Meaning and Social Process*, Center for Cultural Sociology, Yale University, New Haven, CT

“Purging the Past: Reversing Stigma and Commemorating Slavery in Contemporary France”, *Responses to Discrimination and Racism: Comparative Perspectives*, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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**INSTRUCTOR:**

*Ethnic Relations*

Undergraduate, SBU: Summer 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2015, Spring 2016

*Qualitative Methods*

Graduate, SBU: Spring 2013, Fall 2015

*The Sociology of Slavery*

Undergraduate (Freshman Seminar), SBU: Spring 2013

*Historical Development of Sociological Theory*

Undergraduate, SBU: Fall 2011, Spring 2012-14, Spring and Fall 2016, Spring 2017

*Race and Ethnicity*

Graduate, SBU: Spring 2012

**TEACHING ASSISTANT/LECTURER**

*Classical and Contemporary Social Theory*

Undergraduate, Harvard: Fall 2007

*Senior Thesis Workshop*

Undergraduate, Harvard: Fall 2009

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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- Occasional Reviewer: American Sociological Review, Social Forces, Social Problems, Sociological Quarterly, American Journal of Sociology



- Committee Member: American Sociological Association “Best Dissertation Award” (2016-present)
- Treasurer/Secretary: Section on Ethnic and Racial Minorities, American Sociological Association (2013-2016)
- Mentor: Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program (2015-2016)
- SUNY Diversity Conference Planning Committee (2014)

### **DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

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- Stony Brook University Turner Fellowship Committee (2016)
- Stony Brook University Humanities Institute Board Member (2014-present)
- Stony Brook University Center for Class, Inequality and Social Justice Steering Committee (2016-present)
- Co-Organizer, “Mindfulness and Diversity: Mind-Body Approaches for Enhancing Awareness and Wellbeing” (university-wide conference), in collaboration with the Stony Brook Mind-Body Clinical Research Center (2016)
- Department Organizer, Critical Race and Intersectionality Reading Group (2016-present)
- Founder and Faculty Advisor: Race, Ethnicity & Inequality Graduate Workshop at Stony Brook University (2012-2013)
- Departmental Search Committee (2013)
- Faculty Adviser: Stony Brook Black Womyn’s Association (2012-2014)

### **LANGUAGES**

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- English (Native speaker)
- French (Speaking: fluent, writing: advanced/proficient)