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CURRENT POSITION

Associate Professor, African American Studies and Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2011- present.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Government & Politics, University of Maryland- College Park 2001.

Dissertation: "Dilemmas of Black Power Politics: The National Black Political Assembly, Race Leaders and Radicalism in the Post Segregation Era."

Chair: Ronald W. Walters, **Committee:** Linda Faye Williams, Ollie Johnson, Clarence Stone, and Elsa Barkley-Brown.

M.A., Government & Politics, University of Maryland- College Park 1997.

M.A., Black Studies, The Ohio State University, 1994.

B.A., Political Science, Southern University, Baton Rouge, 1992.

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Racial and ethnic politics; African American political thought; American politics; neoliberalization; political economy; labor studies; urban politics; critical urban theory.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Johnson, Cedric, ed. *The Neoliberal Deluge: Hurricane Katrina, Late Capitalism and the Remaking of New Orleans* (University of Minnesota Press, 2011). Reviewed in:

- *Perspectives on Politics*, "Privatization, Marketization and Neoliberalism," Review Symposium.
- *Journal of American History*
- *Ethnic and Racial Studies*
- *Souls*
- *Logos*

Johnson, Cedric, *Revolutionaries to Race Leaders: Black Power and the Making of African American Politics* (University of Minnesota Press, 2007). Reviewed in:

- *American Studies*
- *African American Review*
- *Callaloo*
- *Journal of American Ethnic History*
- *Moderna språk*
- *Multicultural Review*
- *Monthly Review Zine*

*Winner, 2008 W.E.B. DuBois Outstanding Book Award, National Conference of Black Political Scientists.

Walters, Ronald W. and Cedric Johnson, *Bibliography of African American Leadership: An Annotated Guide* (Greenwood Press, 2000).

Articles and Book Chapters

Johnson, Cedric, "James Boggs, the 'Outsiders,' and the Challenge of Postindustrial Society," *Souls* 13, no. 3 (2011): 1-24.

Johnson, Cedric, "Charming Accommodations: Progressive Urbanism meets Privatization in Brad Pitt's Make It Right Foundation" in *The Neoliberal Deluge: Hurricane Katrina, Late Capitalism and the Remaking of New Orleans* (University of Minnesota Press, 2011).

Whitehall, Geoffrey and Cedric Johnson, "Making Citizens in Magnaville: Katrina Refugees and Neoliberal Self-Governance," in *The Neoliberal Deluge: Hurricane Katrina, Late Capitalism and the Remaking of New Orleans* (University of Minnesota Press, 2011).

Johnson, Cedric, "The Urban Precariat, Neoliberalization and the Soft Power of Humanitarian Design," *Journal of Developing Societies* 27, no. 3 & 4 (September 2011): 445-476.

Johnson, Cedric, "Foreword" in Harold Cruse, *Rebellion or Revolution?* (University of Minnesota Press, 2009).

Johnson, Cedric, "From Popular Anti-Imperialism to Sectarianism: The African Liberation Support Committee and Black Power Radicals" (*New Political Science*, December 2003).

Book Reviews & Review Essays

Johnson, Cedric, "Black Radical Enigma," *Monthly Review*, November 2004.

Johnson, Cedric, "A Woman of Influence," *In These Times*, September 8, 2003. Review of Barbara Ransby's *Ella Baker and the Black Freedom Movement: A Radical Democratic Vision* (Chapel Hill & London: University of North Carolina, 2003)

Johnson, Cedric, "Dream On," *In These Times*, March 31, 2003. Review of Robin Kelley's *Freedom Dreams* (New York: Beacon, 2002).

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Books

Smith, Robert C., Cedric Johnson and Robert Newby, eds. *What Does This Have To Do With the Liberation of Black People?: Essays in Honor of Ronald W. Walters* (State University of New York Press, forthcoming 2013).

Articles and Book Chapters

Johnson, Cedric, "Black Intellectual in the Age of New Democratic Politics: Reflections on Ronald Walters, The Maryland Years," in Robert C. Smith, Cedric Johnson and Robert Newby, eds. *What Does This Have To Do With the Liberation of Black People?: Essays in Honor of Ronald W. Walters* (State University of New York Press, forthcoming 2013).

AWARDS & HONORS

Faculty Award for Scholarly Excellence, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2011.

Jon Garlock Labor Educator of the Year, Rochester Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO, 2008.

Juan Liébana Award, Latin American Organization, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2007.

Faculty Representative, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Technos International College Study Program/ Tanaka Ikueikai Foundation-Tokyo, Japan, 2002.

“Memphis State Eight” Best Paper Prize, Second Place, Graduate Student Conference in African American History, University of Memphis, 2000.

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

Faculty Teaching Grant, Center for Teaching and Learning, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Fall 2010.

Faculty Research Grant, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2009-2010.

Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Frederick Douglass Institute for African and African American Studies, University of Rochester, 2004-2005.

Graduate School Assistantship, University of Maryland 1994-1999.

Travel Grant for Advanced Graduate Students, American Political Science Association, 1998.

Research Grant, Committee on Africa & the Americas, University of Maryland, 1998.

Research Grant, Committee on Africa & the Americas, University of Maryland, 1995.

Graduate School Assistantship, The Ohio State University, 1993-1994.

SELECTED PAPER PRESENTATIONS

“Neoliberal Disasters and the Challenge of Do-good Capitalism,” Hurricane Katrina Symposium, Frederick Douglass Institute, University of Rochester, December 2011.

“Refugees, Servants and Yeomen: Thoughts on *Voluntourism*, ‘Free Labor’ and the Remaking of New Orleans,” Automation, Autogestión and New Possibilities: Workers Autonomy Under Late Capitalism panel, North American Labor History Conference, October 2009.

“‘The City that Care Forgot’: New Orleans, the New Global Division of Labor and Neoliberal Priorities,” faculty research panel, Voices Wake Us and We Drown: Disaster Politics, Democracy and Hurricane Katrina symposium, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, April 2009.

“Cultural Preservation and the New Orleans Tourist Economy,” Neoliberalism and the Politics of Disaster panel, Southern Political Science Association, January 2007.

“Neoliberalism and the Politics of Disaster: Hurricane Katrina, Inequality and the

Common Good," Association for the Study of Law, Culture and Humanities Annual Meeting, March 2006.

"The Politics of Race Management: Black Ethnic Politics and American Democracy After Segregation," Controlling Bodies, Controlling Spaces [CTRL] Conference, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, October 2004.

"From Popular Anti-Imperialism to Parochialism: The African Liberation Support Committee and Post Segregation Black Radicalism," National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Oakland California, March 2003.

"Black Power and Black Women's Activism," Sisters in Struggle: Honoring Women Veterans of the Modern Civil Rights Movement, Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, New York, March 2003.

"Amiri Baraka, the New Nationalism and the Crisis of Radical Intellectuals, 1965-1976," Graduate Student Conference in African American History, University of Memphis, October 2000.

"Towards a 'New Politics for Black People': The National Black Political Assembly and Black Power Radicalism," National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Washington, DC, March 2000.

"Race Leadership, Oppositional Movements and the State," Reexamining Race and Ethnicity for the 21st Century, Interdisciplinary Symposium, Committee on Africa and the Americas, University of Maryland, October 1999.

"The Lonely Partisans: Race Leadership and the Collapse of the Liberal Left," Committee on Africa and the Americas, University of Maryland, May 1999.

"The Talented Tenth and Ordinary Folk: The Question of Elite Leadership in the Fiction of WEB DuBois and CLR James," History of the Black Left Conference, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, October 1998.

INVITED LECTURES AND SEMINARS

"Drowned in a Bathtub: Neoliberal Disasters, Anti-statism and the Fate of the American Left," Courting Disaster: Neoliberal Politics and the City in the Wake of Katrina symposium, University of Illinois at Chicago, September 2012.

"Katrina: The Neoliberal Deluge," Rothko Chapel, Houston, Texas, May 2012.

"Neoliberalization and the Soft Power of Humanitarian Design," Neoliberal Urbanism Symposium, University of Illinois at Chicago, April 2012.

“Killing Uncle Tom: Some Thoughts on the End of Black Politics as We Know It,” Mt. Holyoke College, February 2012.

“Survival Strategies for the 21st Century: When Disaster Strikes,” Café Cuba series, Canadian-Cuban Friendship Association, CUPE Local 4400, Toronto, May 2010.

“Making Citizens in Magnaville: Katrina Refugees and Neoliberal Self-Governance,” Department of Sociology Seminar, Binghamton University, April 2010.

“Obama’s Blackness, African American Politics and the Triumph of Neoliberalism,” Center for Afro-American and African Studies, University of Michigan, April 2008.

“The 2008 Election, Identity Politics and the Triumph of Neoliberalism,” Hood College, February 2008.

“Clinton’s Hemline, Obama’s Blackness and the Triumph of Neoliberal Politics,” Connecticut College, January 2008.

“Black Power and the Making of African American Politics,” Winthrop University, January 2008.

“The Neoliberal Deluge: Rebuilding New Orleans After Katrina,” A Discussion of Devastation and Restoration: One Year Later, Rochester Institute of Technology, October 2006.

“The Future of Black Leadership in Rochester,” Sigma Pi Phi—Gamma Iota Boule, University of Rochester, June 2006.

“The Ends of Black Politics,” Tri-Campus Workshop on Contentious Politics, Fernand Braudel Center for the Study of Economies, Historical Systems and Civilizations, Binghamton University, October 2005.

“Return of the Native: Amiri Baraka, the New Nationalism and Black Power Politics,” Work in Progress Series, Frederick Douglass Institute for African and African American Studies, University of Rochester, March 2005.

OTHER PRESENTATIONS

Moderator, “Remaking New Orleans: Privatization at Work” Panel, Courting Disaster: Neoliberal Politics and the City in the Wake of Katrina symposium, University of Illinois at Chicago, September 2012.

Invited discussant, Russell Rickford’s ““Claiming Earth”: the Land Question and Pan

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Africanist theory in the 1970s," Junior Faculty Colloquium, African and Afro-American Studies Program, Dartmouth College, November 2011.

Panelist, "Negotiating the Parent Track," National Conference of Black Political Scientists Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, March 2010.

Discussant, "From the Black Panthers to Barack Obama: Black Electoral Politics in the Post Civil Rights Act Era" panel, National Conference of Black Political Scientists Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, March 2010.

Discussant, "'¡Autogestión Ya! The Promises and Challenges of Self-Management in Argentina's Worker-Recuperated Enterprises," panel, First Anarchist Studies Network Conference, Loughborough, UK, September 2008.

Panelist, Presidential election panel, Americans for Informed Democracy, Irene's Coffee and Jazz House, Geneva, New York, October 2008.

Panelist, "Black Presidential Politics: The Work of Ronald Walters," panel, American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August 2008.

Panelist, "Scholarship and Activism in Academia," National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Chicago, March 2008.

Panelist, "Presidential Politics and African American Leadership: The Work of Ronald Walters," National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Chicago, March 2008.

Panelist, "Public Perceptions of America's Black Male Leaders," The Baobab Cultural Center, Rochester, NY, January 2008.

Panelist, "Is Identity the Issue? 2008 Presidential Elections," R-Vote, R-Future, The University of Rochester, October 2007.

Moderator, "Rebuilding New Orleans and the Gulf Coast: In Whose Interests?" Roundtable Discussion, Southern Political Science Association Meeting, New Orleans, January 2007.

Panelist, "The Black Experience: History, Struggle and Achievements," Sankofa: Black Student Union, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, February 2006.

Panelist, "Corporate Responsibility," Progressive Student Union, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, January 2006.

Keynote Speaker, Kwanzaa Celebration, Sankofa Black Student Union, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, December 2005.

Panelist, "Immigration, Citizenship and Identities: The French Challenge," Hobart and

William Smith Colleges, December 2005.

Panelist, "Reflections on the Hurricane Katrina Disaster," Nazareth College, November 2005.

Panelist, "Hurricane Katrina: Causes and Consequences," Hobart and William Smith Colleges, September 2005.

Panelist, "The Future of Black Politics" Meliora Weekend, University of Rochester, October 2004.

Moderator, Closing Roundtable Discussion, "Northern Struggles: New Paradigms in Civil Rights" Conference, University of Rochester, September 2004.

Moderator, "A Society without Opposition: Herbert Marcuse's *One Dimensional Man* 40 Years Later," Remaking Revolution Conference, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, April 2004.

Panelist, "African Americans and the US Labor Movement," Rochester Labor Lyceum, May 2003.

Moderator, "The Post 9/11 World: Anti-Terrorism and Civil Liberties," Rochester Labor Lyceum, September 2002.

Moderator, "After 9/11: American Workers and Labor Activism," Panel Discussion, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, April 2002.

Discussant, "Black Political Community Organizing," Panel, National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Atlanta, GA, March 2002.

Discussant, "Remembering the Struggle: A Conversation with James Forman," University of Maryland, College Park, February 2002.

Panelist, "The State of African American Leadership Studies," Center for the Advanced Study of Leadership, University of Maryland, October 2000.

Moderator, "From A.B.D. to Ph.D." Graduate School roundtable discussion, National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Washington, D.C., March 2000.

Panelist, "Getting from Here to There: Navigating the Graduate School Experience" panel, National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Baton Rouge, LA, March 1999.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2011-present.

AAST 103/POLS 112 Black Politics and Culture
AAST 306/POLS 311 Black Politics in the United States
AAST 492 Race, Class and the City
POLS 569 African American Politics

Associate Professor, Hobart & William Smith Colleges, Dept. of Political Science, 2001-2011.

Introduction to American Politics
Introduction to Political Theory
Urban Politics and Public Policy
The Politics of Disaster
Racial and Ethnic Politics
The Sixties and American Politics
Labor: Domestic and Global (Bidisciplinary Course co-taught with Chris Gunn)
Technology, Work and Politics (Seminar)

Guest Faculty, Leadership Program for Public School Teachers, Cornell University
Industrial and Labor Relations, Rochester New York, 2008.
Race, Class and American Labor History (Seminar co-taught with Alex Blair)

Post-Doctoral Fellow, The University of Rochester, Frederick Douglass Institute for African and African-American Studies, 2004-2005.
The Black Power Movement (Seminar)

Adjunct Faculty, Marymount University, Dept. of History and Politics, 2000.
Introduction to American Politics

Adjunct Faculty, George Washington University, Dept. of Political Science, 1997.
Introduction to Political Research Methods

Adjunct Faculty, University of Maryland, Dept. of Government & Politics, 1996; 1999
Introduction to Political Science
Introduction to American Politics

Teaching Assistant, University of Maryland, Department of Government & Politics, 1995-1998.

Introduction to Political Theory
Introduction to American Politics
Advanced Quantitative Methods (graduate)
Quantitative Methods for Political Science (graduate)

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Public Opinion Research (undergraduate)

Teaching Assistant, Ohio State University, Department of Black Studies, 1993-1994.
Introduction to Black Studies

LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

Professional Service

Chair, Chicago Working Group, *Souls, A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture and Society*, 2012- present.

Program Co-Chair (with Nikol Alexander-Floyd, Rutgers University), 2010 Annual Meeting, National Conference of Black Political Scientists.

Chair, Graduate & Undergraduate Student Section, Annual Meeting, National Conference of Black Political Scientists, 2000.

Campus Service

Member, Review Panel, Chancellor's Cluster Initiative, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2011-2012.

Director, The Fisher Center for the Study of Women and Men, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2009- 2011.

Co-organizer (with Linda Robertson), Voices Wake Us and We Drown: Disaster Politics, Democracy and Hurricane Katrina symposium, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, April 2009.

Faculty Advisor, Sankofa Black Student Union, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2006-2007.

Member, Steering Committee, The Fisher Center for the Study of Women and Men, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2003- 2004; 2005-2006.

Member, Diversity, Equity and Social Justice Sub-Committee, Committee on the Faculty, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2002-present.

Member, Coordinating Committee, Africana Studies Program, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2001-present.

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Member, Coordinating Committee, American Studies Program, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2002-present.

Member, Research and Travel Grants Committee, Committee on Africa and the Americas, University of Maryland, 2000.

Assistant Director, African American Leadership Institute, James MacGregor Burns Academy of Leadership, University of Maryland, 1999.

Member, Campus Events Grants Committee, Committee on Africa and the Americas, University of Maryland, 1999.

Member, Professional Development Committee, James MacGregor Burns Academy of Leadership, University of Maryland, 1998-1999.

Student Representative, Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Government & Politics, University of Maryland, 1996-1997.

President, African Heritage Student Organization, Ohio State University, 1993-1994.

Departmental Service

Member, Advisory Committee, African American Studies Department, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2012-2013.

Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee for Corey Capers, African American Studies Department, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2012.

Chair, American Politics / Political Theory job search committee, Political Science Department, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2010.

Honors Advisor, Kelsey Lagana's Honors Thesis, Political Science Department, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2009-2010.

Honors Field Examiner, Shane Simon's Honors Thesis, Political Science Department, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2009-2010.

Honors Field Examiner, Julie Boardman-Brann's Honors Thesis, Political Science Department, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2009-2010.

Chair, Review I Committee for Vikash Yadav, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2009.

Chair, American Politics Search Committee, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2007.

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Honors Field Examiner, Peter Gregory's Honors Thesis, Political Science Department, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2006-2007.

Honors Advisor, Amanda Jantzi's Honors Thesis, Political Science Department, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2005-2006.

Honors Field Examiner, Sarah DeGray's Honors Thesis, Political Science Department, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2005-2006.

Chair, Steering Committee, Remaking Revolution Conference, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2003-2004.

Community Service

Coach, RocBots team, FIRST Lego League Robotics Competition, 2008-present.

Member, Rochester Labor Lyceum Planning Committee, Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO.

Weekly Guest, The Jason Crane Show, News talk WROC, Spring 2005.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association
National Conference of Black Political Scientists
Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society

OCCASIONAL REVIEWER

Journal for the Study of Radicalism
New Political Science
Feminist Economics
Culture and Organization
National Political Science Review
New York University Press
Oxford University Press
University of California, Berkeley Press
University of Minnesota Press
Rowman and Littlefield Publishing Group