

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

2019 PhD	University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Department of Social Welfare
2012 MSW	University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Department of Social Welfare, California Concentration: Macro Practice/Gerontology (GSWEC)
2004 BA	University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Department of Social Welfare, Los Angeles, California Major: Sociology, Gerontology/Minor

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Fall 2022 – Present San Diego State University	Assistant Professor School of Social Work College of Health and Human Services
2019–2021 University of California, Los Angeles Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Biobehavioral Sciences David Geffen School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry	Postdoc Assistant Project Scientist II

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2023-Present	Principal Investigator
2014–2019	Principal Investigator Dissertation Research: Examining the effectiveness of a brief HIV prevention intervention for older African American women in a church setting. (The development and implementation of a culturally congruent, HIV prevention curriculum focused on the needs of older African American women in a church setting in the greater Los Angeles area).
2016–2017	Principal Investigator An examination of the effectiveness of a brief HIV prevention intervention for older Black women: A pilot study in a church setting.
2012–2013	Principal Investigator

The implementation and evaluation of a documentary film developed based on social cognitive theory and entertainment educational methods in an effort to increase awareness and encourage protective behavior change related to HIV among older adults.

AREAS OF INTEREST

Research: Health/Mental Health equity, Health Disparities, Social Impact Entertainment, Social and Behavioral Change Communications (SBCC), Intervention Research, Social Justice Pedagogy and Research Methods, Gerontology, Sexual Health, Community-Based Research Methods, Trauma Informed Intervention Strategies.

Teaching: Health/Mental Health Disparities, Community Capacity Building/Macro Practice, Civic Engagement, Research Methods, Social Work Practice with Organizations and Communities, Diversity and Social Justice in Social Work, Civic Engagement, Program Development, Implementation and Evaluation.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spring 2023	Professor, Seminar: Psychosocial Rehabilitation for Individuals with Severe Mental Illness
Fall 2023	Professor, Social Work Practice: A Generalist Perspective (SWORK 630)
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Spring 2022	Professor, Seminar: Psychosocial Rehabilitation for Individual with Severe Mental Illness (SWORK 781)
Spring 2019	Instructor, Astin Scholarship Program, University of California, Los Angeles Instructor of an undergraduate research program for students conducting year long research projects on civic engagement and social justice during their senior year. Includes teaching a two-course series to program participants on theories and perspectives of community-based research and community-based research methodology.
Spring 2019	Instructor, University of California, Los Angeles Civic Engagement 195 C: Community Based Internships Civic Engagement Minor University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Culmination of a three-course series designed for undergraduates in the Civic Engagement Minor at UCLA. Explores civic engagement as means of understanding social problems and working to achieve social change.
Winter 2019	Instructor, Astin Scholarship Program, University of California, Los Angeles

Instructor of an undergraduate research program for students conducting year long research projects on civic engagement and social justice during their senior year. Includes teaching a two-course series to program participants on theories and perspectives of community-based research and community-based research methodology.

Winter 2019

Instructor, University of California, Los Angeles

Civic Engagement 195 B: Community Based Internships
Civic Engagement Minor University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

Second of a three course series designed for undergraduates in the Civic Engagement Minor at UCLA. Explores civic engagement as means of understanding social problems and working to achieve social change.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE CONT.

Fall 2018

Instructor, University of California, Los Angeles

Civic Engagement 195 A: Community Based Internships
Civic Engagement Minor University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

2016–2017

First of a three-course series designed for undergraduates in the Civic Engagement Minor at UCLA designed to provide an academic context for off-campus work in a corporate, governmental or non-profit setting, using the knowledge base of civic engagement.

Field Instructor, California State University, Dominguez Hills, Cerritos College, CA

Spring 2017

Lecturer, California State University, Dominguez Hills, CA. Foundation Year Seminar, MSW 540 Fieldwork practicum II.

2016

Lecturer, California State University, Dominguez Hills, CA. Foundation Year Seminar, MSW 540 Fieldwork practicum I.

2016

Lecturer, California State University, Dominguez Hills, Advanced Seminar: Community Capacity Building, MSW 581.

2015–2016

Field Instructor, California State University, Dominguez Hills, Cerritos College.

2014–2015

Field Instructor, California State University, Dominguez Hills, Cerritos College.

2014

Lecturer, California State University, Dominguez Hills, Foundation Year Seminar, MSW 540 Fieldwork Practicum II.

2013

Lecturer, California State University, Dominguez Hills,

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Harold K. Brown, Knowledge, Education and Empowerment Program.

Faculty Mentor

- Mereb Khasay, Film Studies, 2023
- Maxine Amaru, Junior Africana Studies, Social Work. Undergraduate Student of the Year 2022.
- Alexandra Davis, Senior Journalism and Media studies, 2021.

Dissertation Committee

- Mele' ana 'Akolo, SDSU-UCSD Joint Doctoral Program Interdisciplinary Research on Substance Use (PhD Student) 2022-Present.

Thesis/Publishable Paper

- Maryam Abdul-Sattar, Master of Social Work. The impact of US withdrawal from Afghanistan on immigrants living in other countries.
- Jocelyn Smith, MPH/MSW Dual Degree, Thesis Chair. Exploring the Knowledge and Attitudes of Emerging Health and Human Service Professionals regarding Sexuality and Older Adults, 2023.
- Tenley Nordstrom, MPH, MSW Dual Degree, Thesis Chair, 2023.
- Mayra Lam Yuen, Master of Social Work, Publishable Paper.
- Tobi Pavlas, Thesis Committee Member, The Association Between Peer Support and Age Among Women Living With HIV, 2023.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL AND PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

2019	Content Expert Consultant/Media Representative , California Wellness Foundation, Rally Communications Firm, Upspoken Women (Sexual Health Toolkit). Los Angeles, CA
2011–Pres.	Founder , Reel View Interventions & Consulting, Agoura Hills, CA
2011–2012	Facilitator , Disease Prevention/Health Promotion, Partners in Care Foundation, San Fernando, CA. Supervisor: Brenda Vazquez, Program Director.
Sum–2011	Facilitator , The Wellness Community, Westlake Village, CA Supervisor: Marty Nason, Program Director.
2010–2011	Facilitator , The Wellness Community, Westlake Village, CA Supervisor: Marty Nason, Program Director.
2009–2010	Care Manager , Wise and Healthy Aging, Santa Monica, CA Supervisor: Molly Davies, Program Director.
2004–2007	Ombudsman , Long-Term Care Ombudsman of Ventura County, Ventura, CA Supervisor: Sylvia Taylor-Stein, Executive Director

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. Keeney A.J., Willner, L. **Ebor M.T.**, et al., (Under Review). Anti-Racism, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Perspectives Across the Explicit Curriculum: Insights and Efforts from a School of Social Work.
2. **Ebor M.T.**, Jackson AP. (2023). Depression and HIV Risks: Engaging Older African American Women in HIV Health and Wellness Education Through the Church. *Front. Reprod. Health*.
3. **Ebor M.T.**, Cooley-Strickland M, Norwood-Scott, E (2021). Using Film to Translate Intervention Research for Black and Latinx Persons Living with HIV during COVID-19 Pandemic. *Rep Glob Health Res* 4: 127. <https://doi.org/10.29011/2690-9480.100127>
4. **Ebor, M.T.**, Loeb, T.B., Trejo, L. (2020). Social workers must address intersecting vulnerabilities among noninstitutionalized, Black, Latinx, and older adults of color during the COVID-19 pandemic, *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01634372.2020.1779161>
5. Loeb, T.B., **Ebor, M.T.**, Smith, A.M., Norwood-Scott, E., Chin, D., Novack, D.M., Hampton-Anderson, J.N., Hamilton, A. & Wyatt, G.E. (2020). How mental health professionals can address disparities in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. *Traumatology*. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1037/trm0000292>
6. Novacek, D. M., Hampton-Anderson, J. N., **Ebor, M.T.**, Loeb, T. B., & Wyatt, G. E. (2020). Mental health ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic for Black Americans: Clinical and research recommendations. *Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice, and Policy*. Advance online publication. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1037/tra0000796>
7. **Ebor, M.T.**, Jackson, A.P. (2020). HIV Prevention Programming for Older African American Women: The Impact of Faith-Based and Behavioral Science Partnership on Depressive Symptoms. *Ethnicity & Disease*, 30(2): 287-294.
8. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2019). Examining the effectiveness of a brief HIV prevention intervention for older African American women in a church setting. UCLA. ProQuest ID: Ebor_ucla_0031D_17805. Merritt ID:ark:/13030/m5421w47
9. **Ebor, M.T.**, Murray, A., Gaul, Z., & Sutton, M, (2015). HIV Awareness and Knowledge among Viewers of a Documentary Film about HIV among Racial-or Ethnic-Minority Older Adults, *Health & Social Work*, 40(3), 217-224.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. **Ebor, M.T.**, Sutton, M.Y., (In Progress). "It's important to deconstruct stigma and respect the beauty of sexual intimacy among older patients"; HIV prevention education among older adults: the role of clinicians.
2. **Ebor, M.T.**, Diaz-Santos, M., (In Progress). Excessive Loss-of-Life Among Community-Dwelling Black and Latinx Older Adults: Implications of Prolonged Grief Disorder During the COVID-19 Era. *Journal of Gerontology & Geriatric Medicine*.

OP-ED ARTICLES

1. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2021). Loss and Grief During COVID-19: It's the Thought that Counts. *Heart and Soul Magazine*, January 20, 2020.
2. **Ebor, M.T.**, Norwood-Scott, E., Hamilton, A., Cooley-Strickland, M. (2020). On Raising Black Children: The Missing Chapter from "What to Expect When You're Expecting," *New York Trend*, December 30, 2020.
3. **Ebor, M.T.**, 2019. Black Women Need Sexual Health Resources That Speak Directly To our Needs, So We Built a Tool that Helps. *Blavity News*, October 3, 2019.

FEATURED ARTICLES AND PRESS

- Improving Health Through Film for Patients Living with HIV and Histories of Trauma. *UCLA Health*, February 3, 2021.
- Intervention Through Film with Dr. Megan T. Ebor. *Urban Arts Magazine*, December 16, 2020.
- Dr. Megan T. Ebor Is Committed To HIV/AIDS Awareness, *Heart and Soul Magazine*, November 30, 2020.
- Caregiver Tips During COVID-19. The UCLA GWEP Caregiver Tips Video Series of mini-webinars with helpful advice for Alzheimer's and dementia caregivers. Featuring geriatric experts on common questions from caregivers related to COVID-19.

FUNDED RESEARCH AND FELLOWSHIPS

1. **60,000** – San Diego Center for AIDS Research. Strategies to Enhance Prevention Equity (StEP Equity), April 2023
2. **\$1,500** – Inclusive Excellence Faculty Fellowship. San Diego State University, Center for Inclusive Excellence, **Role: Fellow (Ebor)**, Summer 2022.
3. **\$11,250** – Addiction Scientists Strengthened through Education and Training (ASSET) Fellowship, **Role: Fellow (Ebor)**, Summer 2022.
4. **\$3,000** – Grants Research and Enterprise Writing (GREW) Fellowship, San Diego State University, Research and Innovation, **Role: Fellow (Ebor)**, Summer 2022.
5. **\$5,000** – National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) UCLA HIV/AIDS, Substance Abuse, and Trauma Training Program (HA-STTP). (R25DA035692), The UCLA HIV/AIDS, Substance Abuse, and Trauma Training Program is a collaboration of the Center for Culture, Trauma and Mental Health Disparities (CCTMHD), the UCLA AIDS Institute and the Center for HIV Identification, Prevention and Treatment Services (CHIPTS). HA-STTP provides multi-disciplinary, state-of-the-art training to better equip postdoctoral fellows and early career investigators to submit and receive NIMH grant funding, **Role: Affiliate Scholar (Ebor)**, Fall 2019 – Spring 2020.
6. **\$364,048** – National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI), National Institute of Health (NIH) Research Supplement to Promote Diversity in Health Related Research. The development and implementation of a culturally congruent educational film designed for PLWH to address patients' trauma histories, barriers to care, and CVD risk reduction. (3U01HL 142109-02W1), **Role: Co-Investigator (Ebor)**, September 2019-June 2021.
7. **\$167,275** – Eugene V. Coata Robles Fellowship for doctoral students interested in a career in college or university teaching and research. University of California, Los Angeles,
8. **Role: Fellowship (Ebor)**, September 2014-June 2018.
9. **\$2,500** – Social Justice Initiative Grant (Franklin D. Gilliam, Jr. Social Justice Award). An Examination of the efficacy of a HIV prevention intervention for older Black women aged 50 and older: An Issue of Racial, Social and Health Inequity UCLA School of Public Affairs Social Justice Initiative University of California, Los Angeles, **Role: Principal Investigator (Ebor)**, Fall 2017-Spring 2018.
10. **\$10,000** – HIV/AIDS & African American Women Education and Outreach Program

California Black Women's Health Network, California Wellness Foundation,
Role: Principal Investigator (Ebor), Fall 2016.

11. **\$5,000** – Even Me Outreach Campaign Providing HIV Education and Outreach California Wellness Foundation, **Role: Principal Investigator (Ebor)**, Fall 2013-2014.
12. **\$3,000** – W. K. Kellogg Foundation Social Justice Initiative Grant The development and implementation of an HIV documentary focused on older African American and Latinx populations. UCLA School of Public Affairs Social Justice Initiative University of California, Los Angeles, **Role: Principal Investigator (Ebor)**, Fall 2011-2012.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (SELECTED)

- 2020–2021 **Clinical Director**, Integrated Scientist Practitioner Program, UCLA Center for Culture, Trauma, and Mental Health Disparities.
- 2012–2015 **Director/Facilitator**, Reel View Interventions, Agoura Hills, CA.
Community engagement and education through direct practice with individuals, families, and communities. Offering multi-media health promotion programming, referrals, and group intervention strategies within resource-constrained communities focused on individuals impacted by HIV.
- 2011–2012 **GSWEC Intern**, Partners in Care Foundation, San Fernando, CA.
Supervisor: Brenda Vazquez, Program Director.
- Sum–2011 **Facilitator**, The Wellness Community, Westlake Village, CA.
Supervisor: Marty Nason, Program Director.
- 2010–2011 **Therapist Intern**, The Wellness Community, Westlake Village, CA.
Supervisor: Marty Nason, Program Director.
- 2009–2010 **Care Manager**, Wise and Healthy Aging, Santa Monica, CA.
Supervisor: Molly Davies, Program Director.
- 2004–2007 **Ombudsman**, Long-Term Care Ombudsman of Ventura County, Ventura, CA.
Supervisor: Sylvia Taylor-Stein, Executive Director

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

1. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2023). |Invited Podium Presenter| Collaboration in Care Conference: Improving HIV & Aging Services. "Uplifting Women of Color in HIV & Aging. September 2023.
2. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2023).|CEU Workshop Presenter| 23rd Annual Conference of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality. "I'm gonna be sexually active until the day I die!" Sex, Myths, and Seniors: HIV awareness and Sexuality among Older Adults, November, 2023.
3. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2022). |CommTalk| Sexual Health is Health: The Greying of HIV in the United States and the Role of Community. 2022 International Social and Behavioral Change Summit, Marrakech, Morocco
4. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2019). |Presenter|. University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Social Welfare, Health and Aging Module.
5. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2018). |Presenter|. University of California, Los Angeles. Department of Social Welfare, Health and Aging Module.
6. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2017). |Presenter|. Gerontology Social Work Education Consortium, (GSWEC). Motion Picture Television Fund, Woodland Hills, CA.
7. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2017). |Podium|. Merging Research and the Arts: Even Me Film Screening. Presented at the 21st IAGG World Congress of Gerontology & Geriatrics Conference.
8. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2017). |Presenter|. University of California, Los Angeles. Department of Social Welfare, Health and Aging Module.
9. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2016). |Presenter|. University of California, Los Angeles. Department of Social Welfare, Health and Aging Module.
10. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2016). |Presenter|. Geriatric Social Work Education Consortium, (GSWEC).

Pacific Clinic Training Institute – Wilson Auditorium. Sexuality & Aging Didactic.

11. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2016). |Podium|. The Efficacy of Social Documentation in Confronting the Spread and Treatment of HIV/AIDS in the Aging Population. Presented at 1st Annual Understanding Multiple Chronic Conditions within the Aging Population Conference. Los Angeles, CA.
12. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2015). |Presenter|. Geriatric Social Work Education Consortium, (GSWEC). SCAN Health Plan, Long Beach, CA. Sexuality & Aging Didactic.
13. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2014). |Presenter|. Geriatric Social Work Education Consortium, (GSWEC). SCAN Health Plan, Long Beach, CA. Sexuality & Aging Didactic.
14. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2015). |Presenter|. University of California, Los Angeles. Department of Social Welfare, Health and Aging Module.
15. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2013). |Presenter|. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA. Turning Research into Prevention (TRIP).
16. **Ebor, M.T.**, (2012). |Presenter|. The National Medical Association Convention and Scientific Assembly, New Orleans, LA. Translational Research through documentary filmmaking: HIV and Aging Among Women of Color.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND UNIVERSITY LECTURES

- 2023 **Opening Speaker**, College Council Retreat, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA September 2023
- 2023 **Guest Speaker**, Health and Aging Module, University of California, Los Angeles, October 2023.
- 2023 **Guest Lecturer**, How the Environment Shapes Human Development, University of California Los Angeles, May 23, 2023.
- 2023 **Guest Lecturer**, Direct Practice in Aging, University of California, Los Angeles, February 14, 2023.
- 2023 **Guest Lecturer**, Human Behavior and Social Environment, California State University Northridge, June 29, 2023.
- 2023 **Keynote Speaker**, Even Me Film Screening and Premier and Fundraiser, Christie's Place, San Diego, CA
- 2023 **Keynote Speaker**, Health and Wellness Panel, African American Women in Cinema Film Festival, New York, New York
- 2022 **Keynote Speaker**, Fresh Eyes: New World, Field Instructor Appreciation Luncheon, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA
- 2022 **Guest Lecturer**, Even Me Film Screening and Workshop, CSU, Northridge, CA
- 2021 **Guest Lecturer**, Neuropsychology Informal Brown Bag Lunch (NIBBL), UCLA Semel Institute, Confronting the Self: A Journey Towards Culturally Responsive Practice.
- 2021 **Keynote Speaker**, Student National Medical Association, Los Angeles, CA. "When The Thrill is Gone: Work Place Burnout & Protective Strategies in the Helping Professions"
- 2021 **Presenter**, (NIH) National Heart Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI), PRECLuDE COVID-19 Strategies, Adaptation of TRY study for Black and Latinx patients living with HIV, histories of trauma in underserved communities.
- 2021 **Presenter**, University of California, Los Angeles, HIV/AIDS Substance and Trauma Training Program. "Preliminary Qualitative Findings: Translating Research for You"
- 2020 **Presenter**, University of California, Los Angeles, HIV/AIDS Substance and Trauma Training Program. "Using Film to Translate Intervention Research for Black and Latinx Persons Living with HIV."
- 2020 **Presenter**, University of California, Los Angeles, HIV/AIDS Substance and Trauma Training Program. "The Development & Implementation of a Culturally Congruent Educational Film for PLWH to Address the Impact of Patients' Trauma Histories, Barriers to Care, and CVD Risks Amid COVID-19."
- 2019 **Presenter**, University of California, Los Angeles, HIV/AIDS Substance and Trauma Training Program. "Older African American Women's Lived Experiences with HIV Prevention Programming through the Church: Implications for Psychological Wellbeing & Mental Health Coping Strategies."
- 2018 **Guest Lecturer**, California State University Northridge, Los Angeles, CA. The People Behind the Stats: Humanizing HIV Statistics Through Social Documentation.

- 2018 **Guest Lecturer**, University of California, Los Angeles, Urban Planning 229-2, Critical Race Studies in Public Affairs. Sexual Health Disparities.
- 2016 **Presenter**, Carson Community Center, Los Angeles, CA. Sexual Health Disparities among Women of Color.
- 2016 **Presenter**, University of Southern California, Visions and Voices, Los Angeles California. HIV and Aging.
- 2015 **Guest Speaker**, California Black Health Network State Wide HIV Initiative, Los Angeles, CA. Even Me Film Screening and Discussion.
- 2014 **Guest Lecturer**, Factor School of Nursing, University of California, Los Angeles. Sexual Health and Aging.
- 2014 **Presenter**, World AIDS Day, Fresno City College. Even Me Film Screening and Panel Discussion.
- 2014 **Key Note Speaker**, Center for Non-Profit Advancement, Washington, DC. Even Me Film Screening and Panel.
- 2013 **Key Note Speaker**, Indiana University, 10th Annual State-Wide HIV/AIDS Awareness Program, Gary, IN.
- 2013 **Key Note Speaker**, Butler University, 10th Annual State-Wide HIV/AIDS Awareness Program, Indianapolis, IN.
- 2013 **Key Note Speaker**, World AIDS Day Celebration, Fresno City College, Fresno, CA. HIV and Aging.
- 2013 **Presenter**, Black Coalition on AIDS, San Francisco, CA. Even Me Film Screening and Community Dialogue.
- 2013 **Guest Lecturer**, University of Southern California, Price School of Public Policy, Masters of Health Administration.
- 2013 **Guest Lecturer**, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa CA. The Impact of HIV on Older Women of Color.
- 2013 **Presenter and Panelist**, National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, Los Angeles Family AIDS Network.
- 2013 **Guest Lecturer**, Clark Atlanta University, Whitney M. Young Jr. School of Social Work. Beyond the Numbers: The impact of HIV on Older Women of Color.
- 2012 **Presenter**, APAIT Health Center, Los Angeles, CA. Even Me Film Screening/Panel.
- 2012 **Guest Lecturer**, Rutgers University, Camden, NJ. Rutgers School of Social Work. Even Me Film Screening and Sexual History Training.
- 2012 **Guest Lecturer**, Rutgers University, Newark, NJ. Rutgers School of Social Work. Even Me Film Screening and Sexual History Training.

EDUCATIONAL FILM AWARDS AND HONORS (SELECTED)

- 2022 Award Winner, Health- Research Projects/Publications, Anthem Awards, New York, NY
- 2021 Award Winner, Best Ensemble, Culture and Diversity Film Festival, Los Angeles, CA
- 2021 Award Winner, Best Film by A Black Female Filmmaker, International Black And Diversity Film Festival, Toronto, Ontario
- 2021 Award Winner, General-Non-Broadcast, Social Impact, 42nd Annual Telly Awards, New York, NY
- 2021 Award of Merit, African American, Accolade Global Film Competition, Los Angeles, CA
- 2021 Award of Merit, Special Purpose Productions, Accolade Global Film Competition, Los Angeles, CA
- 2021 Award of Excellence, 27th Annual Communicator Award, Film/Video/Cultural, NYC
- 2021 Award Winner, Best Feature Film, Urban Mediamakers Festival (Umf), Atlanta, GA
- 2021 Award Winner, Judges Award for Narrative Storytelling, Gary International Black Film Festival, Gary, IN
- 2021 Finalist, 4th Dimension Independent Film Festival, Bali, Indonesia
- 2021 Finalist, Lightbeam Television Pitch Competition, New York, NY
- 2021 Award of Distinction, 27th Annual Communicator Award, Film/Video-Motivational, N
- 2021 Award Winner, Voices Rising Film Festival, New York, New York
- 2021 Nominated, Best Film by A Black Female Filmmaker, International Black and Diversity Film Festival, Toronto, Ontario
- 2021 Nominated, Best Narrative First Feature- International, International Black and Diversity

Film Festival, Toronto, Ontario
 2021 Nominated Best Producer, International Black and Diversity Film Festival, Toronto, ON
 2013 Winner, Best Short Film, Florence Short Film Showcase
 2013 Winner, Best Short Film, 1st Place, Capital City Black Film Festival
 2013 Winner, Best Short Documentary, 1st Place, Urban Media Makers Film Festival
 2013 Winner, Reel Sisters Spirit Award, Reel Sisters of the Diaspora Film Festival
 2013 Citation from The City Council Of New York City
 2012 Commendation from The Mayor of Camden, New Jersey
 2012 Honorable Mention, Best Documentary Category, Hollywood Black Film Festival
 2012 Accolade Award of Merit, African American Category

FILM OFFICIAL SELECTIONS

2021 Official Selection, Accolade Global Film Competition, Los Angeles, CA
 2021 Official Selection, San Diego Black Film Festival, San Diego, CA
 2021 Official Selection, Voices Rising Film Festival, New York, New York
 2021 Official Selection, Seattle Black Film Festival, Seattle Washington
 2021 Official Selection, Rhode Island Black Film Festival, Rhode Island
 2021 Official Selection, International Black and Diversity Film Festival, Toronto, Ontario
 2021 Official Selection, 4th Dimension Independent Film Festival, Bali, Indonesia
 2021 Official Selection, Lake Front Film Festival, Columbia, Maryland
 2021 Official Selection, Culture And Diversity Film Festival, Los Angeles, CA
 2021 Official Selection, International Social Change Film Festival, Chicago, IL
 2021 Official Selection, Festival International Du Film Pan African De Cannes, Cannes
 2021 Official Selection, International Black Film Festival, Nashville, TN
 2021 Official Selection, Voices Rising Film Festival, New York, NY
 2021 Official Selection, Seattle Black Film Festival, Seattle, Washington
 2021 Official Selection, Rhode Island Black Film Festival, Rhode Island
 2021 Official Selection, International Black and Diversity Film Festival, Toronto, Ontario
 2021 Official Selection, Awareness Film Festival, Los Angeles, CA
 2021 Official Selection, Urban Mediamakers Festival (Umf), Lilburn, GA
 2021 Official Selection, 22nd African American Women in Cinema Film Festival, New York, NY
 2021 Official Selection, Gary International Black Film Festival, Gary, IN
 2017 Official Selection, Legacy Film Festival on Aging, San Francisco, CA
 2014 Official Selection, Texas Black Film Festival
 2014 Official Selection, Ethnografilm Festival, Paris, France
 2014 Official Selection, New Voices in Black Cinema, New York, NY
 2014 Official Selection, Women's International Film and Arts Festival, San Francisco, CA
 2014 Official Selection, Charlotte Black Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, Urban Media Makers Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, San Diego Black Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, 21st Annual Pan African Film Festival Nominated For Best Short Documentary, Pan African Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, Cleveland International Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, Greater Cleveland Urban Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, Langston Hughes African American Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, Women of African Descent Film Festival, New York, NY
 2013 Official Selection, Martha's Vineyard African American Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, Awareness Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, Reel Sisters of The Diaspora Film and Lecture Series Official Selection
 2013 International Black Women's Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, Capitol City Black Film Festival
 2013 Official Selection, Florence Short Film Showcase

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2020-2021	Senior Luskin Fellow
2023-Present	American Psychological Association (APA)
2022-Present	Executive Board Member: Christie's Place, San Diego, CA
2022-Present	Board Member: Western Center on Law and Poverty, Los Angeles, CA

SCHOLARLY AWARDS

2023	Awardee , Black Faculty and Staff Association, Charles Bell Faculty Award for Scholarship, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA.
2023	Awardee , Aztec Achievement Awards, Heart-Led Leader Award, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA.
2021	Awardee , Michael Irwin PNIRS Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Award, Publication, "How Mental Health Professionals Can Address Disparities in the Context of the COVID-19 Pandemic," University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA
2021	Anthem Award Winner , Health-Research Projects/Publications, Anthem Awards, New York, New York
2021	Award of Excellence , 27 th Annual Communicator Award, Film/Video-Cultural, New York, New York
2021	Award Winner , General— Non-broadcast, social impact, 42 nd Annual Telly Awards, New York, New York.
2021	Award of Distinction , 27 th Annual Communicator Award, Film/Video, Motivational, New York, New York