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In 1992, I received a BS degree in sociology with a minor in criminology from Texas A&M-Commerce. In 1995, I received a MS degree in sociology from the same institution. Soon after receiving a MS degree in 1995, I obtained a position with Dallas County Adult Probation as a probation officer.

In 1998, I began to pursue a doctorate in sociology at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma. I received my doctorate of Philosophy Degree in Sociology from Oklahoma State University in December 2002. My areas of research concentration are social inequality and criminology.

I accepted a position in the Sociology department at Xavier University of Louisiana in the fall of 2002. I taught sociology at Xavier University for one year. I accepted a position at Lamar University in the summer of 2003. Currently, I am entering my fourth year as an Assistant Professor of Sociology in the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Criminal Justice at Lamar University.

Finally, I have published scholarly articles in the areas of African American college student adjustment and racial stratification in the Journal of African American Studies. I have been a contributor to various news pieces for local television stations, radio stations, and newspapers in the Beaumont, TX area. Additionally, I sit on the editorial board of the Journal of Public Management and Social Policy and I am currently working on grant-funded research pertaining to the racism, marginality, and discrimination experienced by the Seminole Freedmen/Estelusti of Oklahoma.