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EDUCATION

1989. Ph.D., College of Journalism and Mass Communications, University of Georgia, Athens, Ga., Dissertation: "The Black Audience and Black Entertainment Television."

1978. M.S., S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications, Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y.

1976. B.A., Department of Mass Media Arts, Hampton University, Hampton, Va.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

1995-present. Associate Professor, School of Communication, The Ohio State University.
Taught Crime and the News Media, Stereotypes in the Media, Writing and Editing for the Media, Writing for Strategic Communication, Principles of Civic Journalism, Contemporary Issues in Communication and Gender in addition to courses listed as an assistant professor.

1989-1995. Assistant Professor, School of Journalism, The Ohio State University. Taught the following courses: Basic Reporting and Newswriting, Advanced Reporting and Newswriting, Factual Writing, Magazine Writing, Introduction to Mass Communication, Development of Mass Media in America, Topics in Journalism and Mass Communication: Specialized Media and Topics in Journalism and Mass Communication: Seminar on the African-American Press, Seminar on Magazine Journalism and Diversity in the Media.

1987-1989. Research Associate, School of Journalism, The Ohio State University. Taught Basic Reporting and Newswriting and The Editorial Page.

1985-1986. Graduate Research Assistant, Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Georgia, Athens, Ga. Assisted faculty research projects.

1984-1987. Teaching assistant, Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication, The University of Georgia, Athens, Ga. Taught Basic Reporting and Newswriting.

1982-1984. Instructor and student newspaper advisor, Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, N.C. Taught Introduction to Mass Communication, Freshman Composition and Speech.

1977. Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Afro-American Studies, Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y. Assisted the director of Afro-American Studies on research projects.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1981-1983. Assistant Public Relations Director, Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, N.C., Served in this position concurrently with teaching duties. Coordinated university publications, wrote news releases and coordinated news conferences. Advised student newspaper.

1979-1981. Affirmative Action Officer, Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, N.C. Monitored the hiring, promotion and departure of minority faculty and staff. Advised student newspaper.

1977-1979. Metro Editor, *Journal & Guide*, Norfolk, Va. Managed the reporting and designed the layout for six bi-weekly tabloids. Also assisted with the editing and reporting for the weekly broadsheet.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Refereed Journal Articles

Ross, F.J. and Pandeya, M. (2025). Black Newspapers' Civil War Reflections: Booker T. Washington's influence amidst *The Clansman* and *The Birth of a Nation*. *Howard Journal of Communications* 36(4), 363-379.
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Ross, F. J. and Kline, S.L. (2021). Contextualizing the black church: Analysis of newspaper coverage in the Obama-Wright controversy. *Journalism* 22(7), 1594-1611. doi: 10.1177/1464884919856759

Ross, Felecia G. J. (2020). Black press scholarship: Where we have been, where we are, where we need to go," *American Journalism* 37(3), 301-320.
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Ross, F. J. and Kline, S.L. (2019). Contextualizing the black church: Analysis of newspaper coverage in the Obama-Wright controversy. *Journalism*. Advance online publication. doi: 10.1177/1464884919856759

Ross, F. J. (2008, Winter). The Cleveland *Call & Post* and the election of Carl B. Stokes.

- Journalism History* 33(4), 215-223. Doi: 10.1080/00947679.2008.12062746
- Ross, F.J., Stroman, C., Callahan, L.F., Dates, J., Egwu, C. & Whitmore, E. (2007, Spring). National study on diversity in journalism and mass communication education, Phase II. *Journalism Educator*, 62 (1), 10-26. Doi:10.1177/107769580706200103
- Ross, F.G.J. and Camara, S.K. (2005). The African American press and the holocaust. *Journal of Intergroup Relations*, 22(3), 32-47.
- Ross, F. J. and McKerns, J.P. (2004). Depression in "The Promised Land": The *Chicago Defender* discourages migration, 1929-1940. *American Journalism*, 21 (1), 55-73. Doi: 10.1080/08821127.2004.10677568
- David, P., Morrison, G., Johnson, M. A., & Ross, F. (2002). Body image, race and fashion models: A third-person approach. *Communication Research*. Doi: 10.1177/0093650202029003003
- Ross, F.G. Jones and Patton, J. (2000, Spring). The nature of journalism courses devoted to diversity. *Journalism Educator*, 55(1), 24-39. 1077-6958
doi:10.1177/107769580005500104
- Ross, Jones, F.G. (1999, Winter). Mobilizing the masses: The Cleveland *Call & Post* and the Scottsboro incident. *Journal of Negro History*, 84(1), 48-60. Doi: [10.2307/2649082](https://doi.org/10.2307/2649082)
- Ross, Jones F.G. (1995). The Brownsville Affair and the political values of Cleveland Black newspapers. *American Journalism*, 12(2), 107-122.
doi:10.1080/08821127.1995.10731714
- Ross, Jones F.G. (1995). Fragile equality: A Black paper's portrayal of race relations in late 19th century Cleveland. *Howard Journal of Communications*, 6(2), 53-68.
Doi:10.1080/10646179509361684
- Ross, F.J. (1994). Preserving the community: Cleveland black papers' response to the great migration. *Journalism Quarterly*, 71(3), 531-539.
Doi:10.1177/107769909407100305
- Ross F.J. (1993). The Cleveland *Call and Post* and the new deal: A change in African American thought. *Journalism History*, 19(3), 87-92. Doi: 10.1080/00947679.1993.12062366
- Becker, L.B., Kosicki, G., & Jones, F.G. (1992). Racial differences in evaluations of the mass media. *Journalism Quarterly*, 69(1), 124-134. Doi: 10.1177/107769909206900110

Jones, F.G. (1990). The Black audience and the BET channel. *Journal of Broadcasting and Electronic Media*, 34(4), 477-486. Doi: 10.1080/08838159009386756

Stoner, K.R., Jones, F.G. & Creedon, P.J. (1990). Addressing cultural issues in journalism classes: The 5 Ws, the H & the D, for diversity. *Southwestern Journal of Minorities and Media*, 1(1), 11-24.

Book Chapters

Ross, F.G.J. and Camara, S.K. (2010). The African American press and the holocaust. In M. Huspek (Ed.), *Oppositional discourses and democracies*. New York: Routledge, pp. 174-188.

Jones, F.G. (1996). The Black press in Ohio: 1865-1985. In H.L. Suggs (Ed.), *The Black press in the Middlewest: 1865-1985*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press. (Refereed.)

Other Publications

Ross, F.J. (2012). "Media Writing for Strategic Communicators" an online publication/textbook for the Communication 2321 class. Contract signed in 2009 with Great Rivers Technologies, LLC.

Ross Jones F.G. (1999). "William O. Walker," In *American National Biography*. Edited by John A. Garraty. New York: Oxford University Press.

Creative Work

Ross, F.J. (2025). *The Double V Campaign: Black editorial cartoons and the struggle for democracy*. Billy Ireland Library and Museum, The Ohio State University.
<https://cartoons.osu.edu/exhibits/digital-exhibits>

Competitive Presentations

Ross, F. J. (2025). "The attempted rescue of Ensign Jesse L. Brown: A model of interracial cooperation during the Korean War." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Journalism Historians Association, Long Beach, Calif. Winner of the J. Snorgrass Award for Outstanding Paper on a Minorities Topic

Ross, F.J. (2023). "'Devotion' to Korean War valor: Black and mainstream press coverage of Ensign Jesse. L. Brown and Lt. Thomas Hudner." Paper presented as a research-in-progress at the annual meeting of the American Journalism Historians Association, Columbus, Ohio.

Ross, F.J. and Pandeya, M. (2023). "Black newspapers' reflections of the Civil War during the

- Age of Booker T. Washington.” Paper presented at the 73rd annual meeting of the International Communication Association Conference, May 28, 2023, Toronto, Canada.
- Ross, F.J. and Pandeya, M. (2022). “Black newspapers’ reflections of the Civil War from Reconstruction to the Age of Booker T. Washington.” Paper presented at the Joint Journalism and Communication History Conference (virtual), May 13, 2022.
- Ross, F.J. (2020). “Black women, black media and the legacy of women’s suffrage,” A panel discussion at the annual meeting of the American Journalism Historians Association’s virtual meeting.
- Ross, F.J. and Carstarphen, M.G. (2020). “Raising her voice: Black newspapers’ coverage of women’s suffrage. Paper presented at the 70th annual meeting of the International Communication Association, virtually.
- Ross, F. J. and Kline, S.L. (2019). Contextualizing the black church: Analysis of newspaper coverage in the Obama-Wright controversy. Presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Baltimore, Md. Top overall paper award for the African American Communication & Culture Division.
- Ross, F.J. (2017). African American female journalists: A historiography. Presented as a poster at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association in Dallas, Tex.
- Ross, F.J. (2017). In plain sight: How the black press covered extraordinary women as figures in the community. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Journalism Historians Association, Little Rock, Ark. Honorable Mention for the J. Snorgrass Award for Outstanding Paper on a Minorities Topic.
- Ross, F.J. (2017). From gridiron star to movie performer to civil rights activist: The black press’ coverage of Paul Robeson. Paper presented at “The Arts in the Black Press During the Age of Jim Crow” conference at Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
- Ross, F.J. (2016). Using backward course design in a media stereotypes course. Presented as a poster at the annual meeting of the Lilly Conference on College Teaching, Oxford, Ohio.
- Ross, F.J. and Kline, S.L. (2016). Candidate Obama and his preacher: A framing analysis in four acts. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association in Philadelphia, Pa.
- Ross, F.J. (2013). Black journalism scholarship: Is it still neglected? Paper presented at the annual meeting of American Journalism Historians Association in New Orleans, La.
- Ross, F.G.J. (2007). Using undergraduate teaching assistants in news writing courses. Paper presented at the Lilly Conference on College Teaching in Oxford, Ohio.

- Ross, F.G.J. (2006). The media with 20/20 hindsight: How the media covered the events of the 20th century." A Great Ideas for Teaching poster presentation at the annual meeting of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication in San Francisco, Calif. This was among 25 selected from a total of 80 entries.
- Ross, F.G.J. and Camara, S.K. (2005). The African American press and the holocaust. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association in Boston, Mass.
- Ross, F. J. (2004). Political maturity in black and white: The Cleveland *Call & Post* and the election of a black mayor." Research in progress presented at the annual meeting of American Journalism Historians Association in Cleveland, Ohio.
- Ross, F. J. (2002). After the 'Promised Land': The editorial cartoons of the *Chicago Defender* on diversity in the 1920s and 1930s. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association in New Orleans, La.
- Jones, E., Batte, M.T., Schnitkey, R. Jones, F.G. (1991). Communication media and their value to Ohio fruit producers: Are there enterprise and size differences? Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Columbus, Ohio.
- Becker, L.B., Kosicki, G. and Jones, F.G. (1990). Racial differences in evaluation of the mass media." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Association of Public Opinion Research, Chicago.
- Jones, F.G. (1990). The Black audience and the BET channel. Paper presented at the annual national conference of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Chicago.
- Jones, F.G. (1986). The role of the Black press during "The Great Migration." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, Norman, Okla.

Invited Presentations

- Ross, F.J. (2025). The *Chicago Defender's* Double V cartoons. Presented at the annual Cartoon Crossroads (CXC) Columbus Festival, Columbus, Ohio.
- Ross, F.J. (2023). "Women Journalists: Past, Present and Future." Presented at the annual meeting of The Ohio State University Retirees Association (OSURA), Columbus, Ohio.
- Ross, F.J. (2021). "Raising her voice: Black newspapers' coverage of women's suffrage." Paper presented at the Southern States Communication Association's virtual meeting.

Ross, F.J. (2011). Political cartooning in the black press” Presented at the 2011 Florence and Jesse Currier Lecture, “The Black Press: Yesterday and Today,” at Bowling Green State University.

Ross, F.J. (2011). Political cartooning in the black press” for “Picturing History: Editorial Cartooning in America, 1754-2011” Presented at a seminar for Ohio high school history teachers at the Billy Ireland Cartoon Library and Museum.

Ross, F.J. (2009). African American media coverage of the Dr. Jeremiah Wright controversy. Panel presentation at the annual meeting of American Journalism Historian’s Association, Birmingham, Ala.

Ross, F.J. (2008). National study on diversity in journalism and mass communication education, Phase II. Presented at the ASJMC annual meeting in New Orleans, La.

Ross, F.J. (2007). Presented talk on “The Cleveland *Call and Post* and the Election of Carl B. Stokes” to a forum at the African American Studies Extension Center.

Ross, F.J., Stroman, C., Callahan, L.F. & Dates, J. (2004). National study on diversity in journalism and mass communication education, Phase II. Study presented on a panel sponsored by the Diversity Oversight Committee at the annual meeting of the AEJMC in Toronto.

Ross, F.J. (2002). Cartooning the War in Double V. Presented as a panelist for “Cartooning War” at the annual meeting of American Journalism Historians Association, Nashville.

Ross, F.J. (1997). 170 years of the black press. Presented as a panelist at the Society of Professional Journalists annual regional meeting, Columbus.

Jones, F.G. (1991). Press coverage of African American troops in the great war: The reports of Ralph Waldo Tyler. Paper presented at the annual Howard University Communications Conference, Washington, D.C.

Other Accomplishments and Contributions

Ross, F.J. (Field researcher). (2026) *Bombshell*. [Documentary]. Ben Loeterman Productions, Inc. Recorded appearance for this documentary that focused on the way the U.S. government communicated the health damages of the atomic bomb. I am one of the speakers offering expertise on the Black press’ role. This aired on PBS’ *American Experience* series. Used undergraduate research assistants to gather the information used in the documentary. Project which received a \$75,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Kline, S L. and Ross, F.J. As a continuation of our work on the Obama-Wright controversy, we are analyzing mainstream newspaper coverage of race largely based on Obama's "A More Perfect Union" speech. We have already published our study analyzing newspapers' coverage of the black church as it related to this controversy. We are targeting either *Journalism and Mass Communication Quarterly* or *Journalism* for submission. Submitted to the Journalism Studies Division of ICA for the 2022 annual conference.

Ross, F. J. Working on piece describing the scholarship on African-American women journalists not only to summarize the findings, but also to see the stage the scholarship represented with respect to Gilda Lerner's conceptualization of women's history. It is currently in the data analysis phase. Considering submitting to either the AEJMC or American Journalism Historians Association paper competitions, as well as the *Journalism Studies* or the *Journal of Black Studies* journals.

GRANTS

2001. A lead principal investigator in securing a \$13,000 grant from AEJMC's Commissions on the Status of Minorities and Women to study the extent to which journalism programs comply with the accrediting standard that focuses on diversity.

1995. Received small Miller Grant for research on the Cleveland *Call & Post's* role in electing Carl Stokes as mayor

1990. Received small Miller Grant through the School of Journalism to obtain the General Social Survey to analyze the media habits of African Americans.

1989. Received large (\$1,000) Miller Grant to support research for the chapter on the history of the Black press in Ohio.

HONORS & AWARDS

2025. Nominated for Lionel C. Barrow Jr. Award for Distinguished Achievement in Diversity Research and Education, an AEJMC recognition for individuals who have demonstrated leadership and accomplishments in diversity efforts within the journalism and mass communication discipline.

2025. Received J. William Snorgrass Award for Outstanding Research on a Minorities Topic for the paper titled, "The Attempted Rescue of Ensign Jesse L. Brown: A Model of interracial cooperation during the Korean War," a paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Journalism Historians Association.

2023. Received certificate for co-hosting the 42nd annual convention of the American Journalism Historians Association in Columbus, Ohio.
2019. Received “Top Overall Paper” award for the paper titled, “Contextualizing the Black Church: An Analysis of Newspaper Coverage in the Obama-Wright Controversy,” from the African American Communication & Culture Division of the National Communication Association.
2017. Received “Honorable Mention” for the J. William Snorgrass Award for Outstanding Research on a Minorities Topic for the paper titled, “In Plain Sight: How the African-American Press Covered Extraordinary Women as Figures in the Community,” a paper presented at the annual meeting of American Journalism Historians Association.
2015. Accepted into the 2015-16 OSTEP Course Design Learning Community. This community allows us to design or re-design a course using the Backward Design method and assess this method’s efficacy. The results of this assessment can be the topic of a scholarly publication. \$1,000 is allocated for this project.
- 2011-2016. Received plaques and certificates for serving as interim and second vice-head, vice-head and head of the Minorities and Communication Division of AEJMC.
- 2010, 2008. Received monetary bonuses for administrative-related work for School of Communication’s Publications Committee.
2008. Graduated from Journalism and Mass Communication Leadership Institute for Diversity (JLID) program.
- 2004-2008. Selected to participate in the TA Coordinators Program as part of the Ohio State Teaching Enhancement Program (OSTEP) in which \$750 was given for a project.
- 2002-2005. Elected and re-elected to AEJMC’s Professional Freedom and Responsibility Committee.
2001. Selected as a fellow at the Poynter Institution’s “Diversity Across the Curriculum” program.
1999. Received certificate for selection by a student as “My Favorite Buckeye,” which required me to speak to student recruits during “Scarlet and Gray Days.”
1994. Inducted into the Phi Kappa Phi (National) Honor Society
1993. Nominated for the Outstanding Teaching Award for the Colleges of the Arts & Sciences

1992. Recognized by Mortar Board and Sphinx Senior Honoraries for supporting students who became members.

1990-1991. Received plaques of appreciation for services as a faculty advisor from the African American Media Association (AAMA), the OSU student chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists. I was co-founder of this organization.

1990. Received McKeown award from the OSU student chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists for co-founding AAMA.

1989. Chosen by the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC) to be a Gannett Teaching Fellow.

1985-1987. University Fellowship for Minorities, University of Georgia.

1984. Mini-Sabbatical for Minority Journalism Faculty Members, American Society of Newspaper Editors.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Organization of American Historians (OAH); National Communication Association (NCA); International Communication Association (ICA); lifetime member, National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ); American Journalism Historians Association (AJHA); Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)

Past Memberships

Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ); Public Relations Society of America (PRSA); Association for the Study of African American Life and History; founding member and officer for Columbus Association for Black Journalists; Sojourner Truth/Frederick Douglass Society, an OSU black faculty and staff organization.

INVITED TALKS, DISCUSSIONS AND LECTURES

Ross, F.J. (2023). "Women Journalists: Past, Present and Future." Presented at a Wednesday education session, First Community Village, Columbus, Ohio.

2021. Served as panelist titled "Graduate Education through the Decades: The Impact of Mary Frances Early," a panel in which Black alumni reflected on their experiences with the racial climate at the University of Georgia. Mary Frances Early was the first Black graduate student who was enrolled there during the '60s. I represented the '80s decade.

2021, 2018. Presented talk on "Stereotypes in the Media" to recruits for the Young Scholars Program.

2015. Served as panelist for a discussion titled “Made in Africa,” a program sponsored by Model Africa Union and African Youth League. I was responsible for speaking on the history of media, its effects on society and its relationship with people of color.
2015. Conducted workshop on “Race and the Media” at the Community Engagement Conference sponsored by the College of Social Work.
2009. Presented my memories of Dr. Lionel Barrow during a panel honoring his life and legacy at the AEJMC annual meeting, Boston, Aug. 6-9.
- 2007-2009. Co-conducted a workshop on “Teaching the Independent Course” as part of graduate teaching assistant training for the University Center for Advancement of Teaching (UCAT) formerly Faculty and Teaching Assistant Development (FTAD).
2008. Conducted workshop on teaching Comm. 221 for graduate teaching assistants.
2008. Conducted workshop titled, “Current Events Writing,” for The Ohio State University Young Scholars Program.
2008. Spoke to minority first-year students about having productive relationships with faculty.
2007. Conducted a workshop on teaching to undergraduate student assistants.
2004. Panelist, “The Media’s Role in Creating Multicultural Understanding and Tolerance,” a program sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. at Otterbein College in Westerville, Ohio.
2004. Featured Speaker, “Black History Month Recognition,” at Girl Scout Troop 442.
2003. Speaker, “Careers in Communications” a program sponsored by the South Area Black Student Association at The Ohio State University.
2003. Keynote speaker, “Professionalism in the African-American Community,” for the Ohio State University Black Law Students Association.
2002. Keynote speaker, “Media Portrayals of African-Americans,” for the Ohio State University Black Law Students Association.
2001. Panelist, “NOT Preaching to the Choir: Teaching Diversity in a Non-Diverse Classroom,” a discussion sponsored by the Media Management and Economics and Minorities and Communication divisions of AEJMC at its annual meeting in Washington, D.C.
2000. Conducted workshop on “Diversity in the Media,” for the Ohio Newspaper Women’s Association’s annual meeting.

2000. Co-coordinator, "Communication Workshop for Minority High School Students," an eight-week workshop sponsored by the Columbus Association of Black Journalists, Columbus. Have coordinated, as well as taught sessions in this workshop since 1994.
1998. Instructor, "Advanced Feature Writing," for the Journalism Association of Ohio Schools high school workshop.
1997. Instructor, "Basic Feature Writing," for the Journalism Association of Ohio Schools high school workshop.
1996. Speaker, "How to Get into Graduate and Professional School," a program sponsored by the Frank Hale Black Cultural Center.
1994. Keynote Speaker and Panel Discussant, "Blacks and the Mass Media" a two-day program sponsored by Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Ga. in recognition of Black History Month.
- 1991-1992. Guest lecturer, "Portrayal of Non-whites in the Media," Ohio Wesleyan University communication class, Delaware.
1991. Guest lecturer, "Magazine Writing Techniques," OSU College of Agriculture *Agri-Naturalist* magazine staff, Columbus.
1991. Guest lecturer, "Curriculum in the OSU School of Journalism," OSU University College, Columbus.
1991. Racial equality lecturer, "Portrayal of Nonwhites in the Media," OSU University College, Columbus
1991. Panelist, "Graduate School Opportunities," panel sponsored by OSU chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Columbus.
1991. Panelist, "Minorities in the Media," panel sponsored by Ohio Wesleyan University Black Faculty Staff Organization, Delaware.
1990. Panelist, "OSU Graduate School Opportunities," panel sponsored by Kent State University, Kent.
1989. Panelist, "Journalism Education at OSU," panel sponsored by School Alumni Association, Columbus.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

University Committees

2025. Co-Chair. School of Communication Teaching Materials Review Committee
2024. Member, School of Communication Teaching Observation Committee
2024. Chair, School of Communication Teaching Materials Review Committee
2025. Member, School of Communication Community Building Committee
- 2023-2024. Member, School of Communication Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee
2023. Member. School of Communication Teaching Materials Review Committee
2023. Member, School of Communication Teaching Observation Committee
2020. Member, Advisory Committee, Black Women Faculty and Professional Staff
- 2013-Spring, 2022. Chair, School of Communication Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee. Was on sabbatical during Autumn, 2022.
- 2004-2013. Chair, School of Communication Publications Committee
- 1992-1993. Chair, School of Journalism Admissions Committee.
- 2015-present. Journalism Program Committee
2014. Co-planned School of Communication's recognition of News Engagement Day, an initiative of AEJMC in which communication units across the country recognized the important role the news media plays in our society. Using the incidents that occurred in Ferguson, Mo., we invited panelists who discussed the relationship between race, the news media and law enforcement. Several classes of communication students attended the activity.
- 2009-present. Advisory Committee, Billy Ireland Cartoon Library and Museum
- 1995-present. Eligible Faculty Committee
2017. Served on committee to study the logistics of converting to a three-course teaching load
- 1999-2003. School of Communication Undergraduate Affairs Committee

1996-1999. University's Diversity Committee

1997. School of Journalism Undergraduate Affairs Committee; College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Curriculum Committee

1996. Elected to the New School's Director's Advisory Committee

1993-1997. Elected and re-elected to the School of Journalism Graduate Studies Committee

1991-1994. School of Journalism Publications Committee

1989-1992. School of Journalism Admissions Committee

1989-1990. School of Journalism Research Committee

1996-present. Served on several search committees for hires for the School of Journalism, School of Communication, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences The hires were for the following positions:

- 2023. Science, Risk, Environment, and/or Health Communication Hire
- 2021. School of Communication director
- 2019. Diversity Cluster Hire
- 2017. School of Communication director
- 2015. *Lantern* advisor.
- 2015. Social and Behavioral Sciences subject librarian
- 2003-2004. Arts & Sciences executive dean
- 1999-2003. Served on the School's Search Committee for several new hires
- 1999. Served on the School's Search Committee for a single hire.
- 1996-1997. Served on the School's Search Committee for broadcast sequence faculty

Leadership Activities for the Discipline

2015. Elected interim 2nd vice-head of the MAC Division of AEJMC

2009-2013. 2nd vice head, vice-head and head of the MAC Division of AEJMC.

2007-2008. Served on the Strategic Plan Design Team for AEJMC

2001-2007. Newsletter Editor, Vice-Chair and Chair of the Commission on the Status of Minorities for AEJMC

2003-2004. Served on the Task Force on Diversity for AEJMC

Editorial Service

2024-present. Book Review Editor. *American Journalism* for a four-year term. Responsible for selecting books for review and reviewers.

2021-present. Editorial Board Member, *Howard Journal of Communications*

Journal Reviewer

2025. *Journalism Studies*
Howard Journal of Communications

2024. *Howard Journal of Communications*
American Journalism

2023. *American Journalism*
Howard Journal of Communications

2022. *American Journalism*
Critical Studies in Media Communications
Ethnicities
Howard Journal of Communications
Urban Education

1994 to 2021. *American Journalism*, *Journalism Monographs*, *Journal of Advertising Education*, *Journalism History*, *Ethnoscapes: An Interdisciplinary Journal on Race and Ethnicity in the Global Context*, *Journalism and Mass Communication Quarterly*, and *Urban Education*.

Conference Paper Reviewer

1999-2025. Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication

2003-2023. American Journalism Historians Association

2017-2025. International Communication Association

Reviewed manuscripts for the following publishers, proposed books and book chapters:

2017. Chapters for the Comm. 3334: Strategic Message Design resource

2017. "Racialism and the Media," a book manuscript for Peter Lang Publishing, Inc.

2016. Chapters for digital textbook for Strategic Communication Writing.

2011. Textbook manuscript for Oxford University Press.

2011. Textbook manuscript for Bedford/ St. Martin Press.

- 2008. Reviewed “What is News? Explaining the News” a textbook proposal under consideration for publication at Bedford/St. Martin’s
- 2000. Textbook manuscript for McGraw-Hill.
- 1997-1998. Textbook manuscripts for Wadsworth Publishing Co.

Reviewed the following published books:

- 2008. *Taking on the Trust: The Epic Battle of Ida Tarbell and John D. Rockefeller for American Journalism.*
- 1999. *Mary Ann Shadd Cary: The Black Press and Protest in the Nineteenth Century* by Jane Rhodes for *Journalism History*.
- 1995. *Raising Her Voice: African-American Women Journalists Who Changed History*, by Rodger Streitmatter for *Journalism History*.

Judged the following activities:

- 2020-2022. Reviewed proposals for the Lucy Shelton Caswell Research Award sponsored by the Billy Ireland Cartoon Library & Museum
- 2017, 2005-2008. Denman Undergraduate Research Forum, The Ohio State University
- 2016, 2013. Committee to select the winner of the Lionel C. Barrow Jr. Award for Distinguished Achievement in Diversity in Research and Education.
- 2007-2010, 1991. News coverage of weekly Ohio newspapers, for Osman C. Hooper Newspaper Show, Columbus.
- 2009-2016. Re-entry Scholarship Committee for the Critical Difference for Women Program. Selected recipients.
- 2007-2009. Graded essays of honors admissions applicants.
- 2007. Served on the committee to select the winner of the Lionel C. Barrow Minority Scholarship for AEJMC.
- 2003. Books for the History Award, for the History Division of AEJMC.
- 2002, 1996. Coverage of family news, for Osman C. Hooper Newspaper Show, Columbus.
- 2001. Member, “Gallery of Greats Selection Committee,” for the National Newspaper Publishers Association Foundation. Selected editors/publishers of African-American newspapers to

be featured on a 2002 calendar. The calendar commemorates the 175th anniversary of the African-American press.

1998. Chairperson, Minority Scholarship Committee of the AEJMC Communication, Theory and Methodology Division

1991. Warren H. Jennings community mental health award, Columbus.

1990. OSU Black Student Leadership Awards, Columbus.

External Reviewer

2022. Served as an external reviewer for a promotion & tenure candidate at Colorado State University.

2016. Served as external reviewer for a promotion & tenure candidate at Ithaca College.

2014. Served as external reviewer for a promotion & tenure candidate at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

OTHER SERVICE FOR THE DISCIPLINE

2025. Moderator. "The Mic Drop: Tracing the History of Black Journalists in Broadcast & Radio," a panel discussion at the American Journalism Historians Association annual meeting in Long Beach Calif.

2024. Moderator. "Mass Media Phenomena in the Mid-20th Century," a refereed paper session at the American Journalism Historians Association annual meeting in Pittsburgh, Penn.

2023. Joined OSU Criminal Justice Research Center as an affiliate

2019-2020. Steering Committee for 2020 "Your Voice Ohio: Inclusive Narratives & Reporting" conference.

2019. Discussant, Top Paper Panel, Communication History Division, ICA

2014. Discussant for poster session, Minorities and Communication Division, AEJMC national meeting, Montreal, Canada.

2013. Moderator/Discussant. "Latinos and Latinas in the Media Spotlight," a refereed paper session for the Minorities and Communication Division at the AEJMC annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

2012. Discussant, "The Best of MAC Research Papers," a refereed paper session for the Minorities and Communication Division at the AEJMC annual meeting in Chicago.
2011. Moderated, "Top Papers in Minorities and Communication," a refereed paper session for the Minorities and Communication Division at the AEJMC annual meeting in St. Louis.
2010. Discussant, "Current Issues and Challenges for Ethnic and Mainstream Media," a paper session of the Minorities and Communications Division at the AEJMC annual meeting in Denver.
2009. Discussant for paper and poster presentations for the Media and Ethics and Minority and Communication divisions at the AEJMC annual meeting, Boston, Aug. 6-9.
2008. Moderated the "Strategic Plan Update: Planning for the Future" at the AEJMC annual meeting, Chicago, Aug. 7.
2004. Moderator, "On Stage With Online," a paper session sponsored by the Advertising Division of AEJMC at its annual meeting in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
2003. Moderator-Discussant, "Using Media to Improve the Lives of Minorities and Immigrants," a paper session sponsored by Minorities and Communication Division of AEJMC at its annual meeting in Kansas City, Missouri.
2003. Moderator, "Maintaining Cultural Integrity in Publishing About Race," a discussion sponsored by Minorities and Communication Division of AEJMC at its annual meeting in Kansas City, Missouri.
2002. Moderator, "The Application of Communication Theories to African-American Experiences," a discussion sponsored by the African American Communication & Culture Division of the National Communication Association, at its annual meeting in New Orleans.
2001. Discussant, "Historical Perspectives on Race/Ethnicity," refereed paper session of the History Division of AEJMC at its annual meeting in Washington, D.C.
1998. Moderator/Discussant, "The African-American Press," paper session at the annual meeting of American Journalists Historians Association in Louisville, Kentucky.
1998. Discussant, "Television Portrayal of African-Americans and Koreans," paper session sponsored by the Minorities and Communication Division of AEJMC
1994. Discussant, "African-Americans, Asians and Hispanics in the Media," paper session sponsored by Minorities and Communication division of AEJMC at its annual meeting in Atlanta.

1993. Moderator, "The Media Content: Antecedents, Processes and Consequences," paper session sponsored by the Communication, Theory & Methodology Division of AEJMC at its annual meeting in Kansas City.
1992. Moderator/Discussant, "The Black Press in the Middlewest, 1865-1920," paper session at the annual meeting of the Association of African-American Life and History held in Kansas City.
1992. Moderator, "Mixed Messages," paper session sponsored by the History Division of AEJMC at its annual meeting in Montreal.
1991. Organizer and moderator, "Using the African-American Press as a Teaching and Research Tool," panel sponsored by the MAC Division at the AEJMC annual meeting, Boston
1990. Moderator, "Communication Politics and Minorities," paper session sponsored by the AEJMC annual meeting, Minneapolis.

OTHER SERVICE FOR THE UNIVERSITY

2025. Participant. Experience ASC Day, an event to welcome students admitted to the university who are interested in majoring in ASC disciplines
2018. College of Arts & Sciences breakfast to recruit minority students.
2016. Faculty diversity champion for Arts & Sciences that involved attending a train the trainer workshop.
- 2015-2016. Advisor for the Society of Professional Journalists, student chapter
- 2006, 1997, 1990-1992. Sponsor, OSU Student Research Opportunity Program
- 1989-2001. Co-advisor, cofounder, African American Media Association (AAMA). This is the student chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists.
1999. College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Faculty Coordinator, 1999 Campus Campaign
- 1989-1991. Co-coordinator, OSU *Lantern* minority sensitivity workshops, Columbus.
- 1988-1989. Mentor, OSU Mentoring Program, Columbus.

APPEARANCES IN THE MEDIA

2026. Guest. "World Edition," to discuss the PBS documentary "Bombshell" Pod TV The Social Media Network.
2026. Radio Guest, "The Rufus Williams Show," to discuss the PBS documentary "Bombshell," WVON AM, Chicago
2025. Featured in "Member Spotlight," in *Intelligencer* a blog post of American Journalism Historians Association.
2022. Interviewed for an article published in *The Columbus Dispatch* titled, "Black media in Columbus: How newspapers have informed community from 1843 to the present" I commented on why these publications started to appear around the city.
2020. Interviewed for an article published in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* that focused on the adjustments students had to make during the COVID 19 pandemic.
2000. Radio Guest, "Media Portrayals of African-Americans" *Columbus Today*, a call-in program on WSMZ-FM
1994. Radio Guest, "The Black Press in Ohio," *Black Studies Broadcast Journal*, WOSU Radio, Columbus.
1993. Interviewed about "Black Portrayals and Black Journalists in the Media" for an article in *Columbus Alive*
1990. Participant, in video promoting OSU graduate school opportunities, Columbus.
1989. Television guest, "'List' Format Magazine Articles," *Evening Newswatch 4*, Columbus.
1988. Television guest, "The Black Press," *State Watch*, Columbus.

