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## **EDUCATION**

- 2023      **PhD**, Department of Linguistics, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Advisor: Mary Bucholtz  
Committee Members: Eddie Cole; Anne Charity Hudley; Lal Zimman  
Dissertation: Black Undergraduates' Racial Socialization and Black Community Identification at a Historically White Institution
- 2019      **MA**, Department of Linguistics, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Advisor: Mary Bucholtz  
Committee Members: Anne Charity Hudley; Lal Zimman  
Thesis: "It's very isolating": Discourse Strategies of Conservative Student Groups on a Liberal College Campus
- 2016      **BA, Department of Applied Linguistics**, University of California, Los Angeles  
Advisor: Hongyin Tao  
College Honors and Departmental Honors  
Undergraduate Honors Thesis: The Language of Criminalization Directed towards the Peer-to-Peer File Sharing Community
- 2014      Los Angeles City College

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2026 Muwwakkil, Jamaal (in press). "Black for the First Time: Black Community Identification through Racial Socialization at a Historically White Institution". *Journal Of Black Language and Culture*.
- 2025 Weddle, Hayley, Devon Graves, & **Jamaal Muwwakkil**. "The Power and Complexity of Students' Service on Higher Education Governing Boards". In *Students, Campus, and Democracy: Advancing Democracy-Sustaining Learning in Higher Education*.
- 2023 **Muwwakkil, Jamaal** and deandre miles hercules, "Slow it down, I just dissed you!": Musicolinguistic Embodiment in Battle Rap. *International Journal for the Sociology of Language*. Accepted.
- 2023 Muwwakkil, Jamaal. You have never lived a day outside of your body: Engaging Positionality in Ethnographic Research. *Transforming Anthropology*.
- 2022 Charity Hudley, Anne, Christine Mallinson, and Mary Bucholtz. 2022. *Talking College: Making Space for Black Language Practices in Higher Education*. Teachers College Press. (Attributed research collaborator)  
<https://www.tcpress.com/talking-college-9780807767009>
- 2022 Hannah Franz; Anne Charity Hudley; Rachael Scarborough King; Kendra Calhoun; deandre miles-hercules; **Jamaal Muwwakkil**; Jeremy Edwards; Cecily A. Duffie; Danielle Knox; Bishop Lawton John Henry Merritt, The Role of the Graduate Students in Inclusive Undergraduate Research Experiences, In a special issue of *Pedagogy: Critical Approaches to Teaching, Literature, Language, Composition, Culture*, edited by Kristine Johnson J. Michael Rifenburg, 22 (1): 121–141 <https://doi.org/10.1215/15314200-9385522>
- 2021 miles hercules, deandre and **Jamaal Muwwakkil**, Virtue Signaling and the Linguistic Repertoire of Anti-Blackness: or, "I would have voted for Obama for a third term," *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology's special issue on "Language and White Supremacy"* edited by Krystal Smalls, Arthur Spears, and Jonathan Rosa. 267-270 <https://doi.org/10.1111/jola.12320>
- 2020 Charity Hudley, Anne H., Christine Mallinson, Erin L. Berry Mc-Crea, and **Jamaal Muwwakkil**. Empowering African-American Student Voices in College. In *Reconceptualizing the Role of Critical Dialogue*. Routledge Press. Invited.
- 2020 Holmberg, Carrie, and **Jamaal Muwwakkil**. "Conversation in the classroom." *Phi Delta Kappan* 101, no. 5 (2020): 25-29.
- 2019 Muwwakkil, Jamaal Justin. "'It's Very Isolating': Discourse Strategies of Conservative Student Groups on a Liberal University Campus." MA thesis., UC

Santa Barbara, 2019.

## Book Contributions

- 2019 Charity Hudley, Anne, Christine Mallinson, and Mary Bucholtz. 2022. Talking College: Making Space for Black Language Practices in Higher Education. Teachers College Press.  
<https://www.tcpress.com/talking-college-9780807767009>  
• Attributed research collaborator and vignette author: “Language at the Center of Advocacy and Activism”

## AWARDS, HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

- 2026 ACLS Intention Foundry Learned Society Extended Engagements Microgrant
- 2025 ACLS Intention Foundry Fellow (IF)
- 2023 UC Chancellor’s Postdoctoral Fellowship, UCLA
- 2023 ACLS Intention Foundry Society Scholar (LSA)
- 2022 David P. Gardner Fellowship
- 2022 Ford Foundation Dissertation Year Fellowship
- 2022 Fletcher Jones Fellowship
- 2021 UCLA AAP Distinguished Champion Award
- 2021 Ford Foundation Dissertation Year Fellowship, Honorable Mention
- 2020 Linguistic Society of America Council for Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics Travel Grant Award
- 2019 Social Science Research Council-Mellon Mays Graduate Initiative Program Predoctoral Research Development Grant
- 2019 2020-2021 Student Regent of the University of California
- 2019 Mellon Engaging Humanities Fellowship, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2019 Individualized Professional Skills Grant, University of California, Santa Barbara

- 2018 Interdisciplinary Humanities Center Graduate Collaborative Research Grant, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2017 Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Ford Foundation  
Honorable Mention
- 2017 Ivan Sag Fellowship, Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, Lexington, Kentucky
- 2016-21 Eugene V. Cota-Robles Fellowship, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2016 Undergraduate Research Week Outstanding Oral Presentation Award, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2014-Present Mellon-Mays Undergraduate Research Fellowship, University of California, Los Angeles

**SERVICE**

- 2026 American Anthropological Association(AAA). Association of Black Anthropologist(ABA) Special Interest Group. Program Committee. Proposal Reviewer.
- 2025/26 Association for Black Anthropologist (ABA) Program Committee (Co-Chair)
- 2025/26 ACLS Intention Foundry (IF) Steering Committee
- Fall 2025 Georgetown University Round Table on Languages and Linguistics (Reviewer)
- Fall 2025 Transforming Anthropology (Reviewer)
- Fall 2025 Co-host/co-organizer, “Preparing a Successful PFP/CPFP Application”, Webinar, 250 attendees
- Fall 2025 Editorial Board Member, Journal of Black Language and Culture (JBLAC)
- Summer 2025 Journal of Multicultural Education (Reviewer)
- Summer 2025 Ethnography (Reviewer)
- Fall 2024 Journal of Black Language and Culture (Reviewer)
- Fall 2024 National Science Foundation (Reviewer)

- Fall 2024 Transforming Anthropology (Reviewer)
- Spr 2024 National Science Foundation (Reviewer)
- Mar 2024 Transforming Anthropology (Reviewer)

## **PUBLIC-FACING MEDIA**

- 2026 A few minutes on “birthday girl” by hunxho and tiktok linguistics, A Few Minutes,  
<https://afewminutes.substack.com/p/a-few-minutes-on-birthday-girl-by>
- 2026 Appreciation or appropriation? How Black Culture is Shaping Gen Z Slang”, NBC News,  
<https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/appreciation-appropriation-black-culture-shaping-gen-z-slang-rcna265993>
- 2026 Say What\_, “How Black Culture is Shaping Gen Z Slang”, NBC News NOW,  
<https://www.youtube.com/live/VX7VRS2ZBPU?si=6YZGVNEwqDjajYts&t=32085>
- 2024 Today, “How did Words like Periodt, GYAT, Cap and Drip come to be? All about the Black History of Slang”.  
<https://www.today.com/popculture/black-history-slang-rcna137773>
- 2022 Washington Post, Black English is being Misidentified as Gen Z Lingo,  
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/nation/2022/08/17/black-english-misidentified-internet-slang/>
- 2022 Grad Student Femtoring, Episode 133: Contextualizing Higher Ed Model and Academia's Hidden Curriculum,  
<https://gradschoolfemtoring.com/episodes/133/>
- 2022 Elle Magazine, My Brush with the Black Manosphere  
<https://www.elle.com/life-love/a38819237/black-manosphere-online-dating/>
- 2021 Inside Higher Ed, Transfer Student Leadership Maze  
<https://www.insidehighered.com/blogs/tackling-transfer/transfer-student-leadership-maze>

- 2021 Inside Higher Ed, Passing the Gavel: Empowering Students to Lead in Higher Education Governance Spaces  
<https://www.insidehighered.com/blogs/tackling-transfer/passing-gavel-empowering-students-lead-higher-education-governance-spaces#.YRUUHTRLlk.twitter>
- 2021 Jamaalapalooza, Vocal Fries Podcast,  
<https://vocalfriespod.com/2021/04/12/jamaalapalooza/>
- 2021 Campaign for College Opportunity, State of Higher Education for Black Californians Report  
<https://collegecampaign.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/SHE-Black-Californians-2021-FINAL.pdf>
- 2021 LA Times, “Black students are succeeding in college at higher rates, but far behind white peers”  
<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2021-02-24/black-students-are-succeeding-in-college-at-higher-rates-but-far-behind-white-peers-report-says>
- 2021 UCLA Umoja Podcast  
<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/umoja-ucla/id1529318257?uo=4https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/umoja-ucla/id1529318257?uo=4>
- 2020 Contributor, “The Letters Page Trump Reader Turnover did not Foster Dialog.” Los Angeles Times.  
<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2020-11-21/letters-page-trump-voters-aftermath>
- 2020 Contributor, Central Ave TV, Keeping up with the Karens,  
<https://centralavetv.com/karen-viral-videos/>
- 2020 Contributor, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, *The Sunday Magazine*, Word Processing, <https://www.cbc.ca/radio/sunday/the-sunday-magazine-for-september-13-2020-1.5718668>
- 2020 Contributor, TAB, Brazilian Publication, “The ‘Karens Epidemic’ and what is says about racism in the country,”  
<https://tab.uol.com.br/noticias/redacao/2020/09/10/a-epidemia-de-karens-nos-eua-e-o-que-isso-diz-sobre-racismo-no-pais.htm>
- 2020 Contributor, CNN, “Everyday words and phrases have racist connotation,”

<https://www.cnn.com/2020/07/06/us/racism-words-phrases-slavery-trnd/index.html>

- 2020 Contributor, Texas Public Radio, “Think Before You Speak: The American Vernacular is Rife of Racist Connotations,” <https://www.tpr.org/post/think-you-speak-american-vernacular-rife-racist-connotations>
- 2019 University of California Board of Regents bio <https://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/about/members-and-advisors/bios/jamaal-muwwakill.html>
- 2019 University of California Student Regent announcement <https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/press-room/uc-santa-barbara-first-generation-student-jamaal-muwakkil-nominated-2020-21-uc-student>
- 2019 Linguistics Society of America Laurels to Linguists <https://www.linguisticsociety.org/news/2019/05/30/laurels-linguists-jamaal-muwakkil>
- 2019 Daily Californian article <https://www.dailycal.org/2019/05/31/uc-santa-barbara-graduate-student-jamaal-muwakkil-nominated-for-2020-21-uc-student-regent-position/>
- 2019 Daily Bruin article <https://dailybruin.com/2019/07/01/nominated-uc-student-regent-plans-to-focus-on-transfers-basic-student-needs/>
- 2019 Center for Community College Partnerships Spotlight <https://www.aap.ucla.edu/2019/05/30/cccp-aap-alum-named-2020-2021-uc-student-regent/>
- 2019 Los Angeles City College Spotlight <https://www.lacitycollege.edu/90/LACC/Your-Story-Our-History>
- 2018 Panelist Linguistic Society of America Webinar: How to be a Successful Graduate School Applicant <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JDCNZjp7nRM>

## **CONFERENCES ORGANIZED**

- 2020 Second Annual Advancing African American Linguist(ic)s, University of California, Santa Barbara

- 2019 Conference on Language, Interaction, and Social Organization, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2018 “2nd Annual Black Summit/Celebrating Black Scholarship”, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2017 Panel: “Research, Me-search, and Soul Search: Learning Ethnographic Ethics in Linguistic Anthropology”, Annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, DC
- 2017 “Celebrating Black Scholarship”, University of California, Santa Barbara

**PRESENTATIONS**

- 2025 “Black Community Identification through Racial Socialization at a Historically White Institution”, Sociolinguistics Lab, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.
- 2025 “Black for the First Time: Black Community Identification through Racial Socialization at a Historically White Institution”, on panel entitled, “Shadows: Addressing Our Past, Reconciling the Present within the African Diaspora” at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, LA.
- 2025 “You not a colleague, you a f\*\*\*kin colonizer”: Raciolinguistic Authenticity in Contemporary Hip Hop (Meta)Discourse”, co-presented with deandre miles-hercules, Linguistic Freedom Moves, University of South Carolina
- 2025 “Race, Admissions, and the Historically White Institutional Context,” Luskin Center for History and Policy, The Pasts and Futures of Higher Education in the United States Series, University of California Los Angeles
- 2025 “Listening for Belonging: Language and Identity in Higher Education”, Community College of Baltimore County, Baltimore, MA
- 2025 ““You not a colleague, you a fuc\*king colonizer’: Gatekeeping Raciolinguistic Authenticity in Contemporary Hip Hop (Meta)Discourse”, Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2024 “So, You Want to Go to Grad School?” Keynote Address, MMUF Western Regional Conference, Whittier College
- 2024 “Black for the First Time: Black Community Identification through Racial Socialization at a Historically White Institution.” UCLA Education and Information Studies, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2024 “21st-Century PhD Training Meets 21st-Century Job Market: Reflections from Recent Linguistics PhD Graduates Working in Academia & Industry”, co-organized with Alex Johnston, Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Manhattan, New York.

- 2023 “Reflections on Responses to the ‘Racial Reckoning’ of 2020 in U.S. Higher Education: A Collective Conversation on Lessons Learned and Next Steps”, American Education Research Association, Language and Social Processes Special Interest Group, co-presented with Kendra Calhoun, Joy Yoo Garza, Rachel Weissler, and Savithry Namboodiripad
- 2023 “What is AAE?” African American English in Society, Office of Black Student Development, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2023 “Discourse Strategies of Conservative Student Groups on a Liberal University Campus: A Primer”, University of California Santa Barbara Linguistics Department, Grad Student Recruitment Symposium
- 2023 “Linguists’ Reflections on Responses to the “Racial Reckoning” of 2020 in U.S. higher education: A Collective Conversation on Lessons Learned and Next Steps”, Organized Session at the Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America 2023, co-presented with Kendra Calhoun, Joy Yoo Garza, Rachel Weissler, and Savithry Namboodiripad
- 2022 "Stanford Symbolic Systems: Talking College: A Community Based Language and Racial Identity Development Model for Black College Student Justice", Co-presented with Anne Charity Hudley, Stanford Symbolic Systems, Stanford University
- 2022 ““Mission Accomplish?’ Racial Identity, Linguaging Socialization, and the Elite Public University”, Dissertation Colloquium, University of California Santa Barbara
- 2022 “Virtue Signaling and the Linguistic Repertoire of Anti-Blackness: or, ‘I Would Have Voted for Obama for a Third Term’”, American Educational Researchers Association, San Diego, California
- 2022 Charity Hudley, Anne H., Christine Mallinson, **Jamaal Muwwakkil** and deandre miles-hercules, Empowering African-American Student Voices in College, Transforming Anthropology Workshop, University of Virginia Department of Anthropology
- 2021 Scholarly Communication in Pursuit of Publication Justice, Writing for Varied Audiences, New Ways of Analyzing Variation
- 2021 Workshop on Public Engagement, New Ways of Analyzing Variation
- 2021 “It’s very isolating”: Discourse Strategies of Conservative Student Groups on a Liberal University Campus, University of Oregon, Invited Colloquium

- 2021 Black College Students and the Public Research University: Rhetoric versus Reality in the University of California's Diversity Policies, SocioCult, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2021 Black Students and the Public Research University, University of California, Santa Barbara, Black Research Yield Event
- 2021 The State of Higher Education of Black Californian, Campaign for College Opportunity, Report Release Webinar
- 2020 Positionality, This *IS* Linguistics: Scope, Positionality, and Graduate Apprenticeship when Diversifying the Linguistics Curriculum Webinar, Linguistics Society of America series on Racial Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion in Linguistics Curriculum.
- 2020 "‘It’s Very Isolating’: Discourse Strategies of Conservative Student Groups on a Liberal University Campus," Second Annual Advancing African American Linguist(ics) Symposium, University of California, Santa Barbara, August 2020
- 2020 Black Becoming: Perspectives on African-Americans Students’ Linguistic Experiences in the Academy, 2020 Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America.
- 2019 "They say I can’t gun bar ‘em to death”: Corporeal Semiosis in Battle Rap Discourse, Language, Interaction, and Social Organization, University of California Santa Barbara
- 2019 "A Roadmap to Inclusion in Sociocultural Linguistics", New Ways of Analyzing Variation, University of Oregon
- 2019 "Dynamics of African American Language and Culture, and the Politics of Inclusion in Higher Education", University of California Black Administrators Council Conference, University of California, Davis
- 2018 "We Can’t Wait: Resistance and Advocacy Strategies among Black Graduate Students", The Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Jose, California
- 2018 "We Can’t Wait: Resistance and Advocacy Strategies among Black Graduate Students", SocioCult, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2018 "Relational Social Deixis: The Innovation of Senpai Register" UC Davis Symposium on Language Research

- 2018 “The How and Why of Grad Student Activism” Campus Climate Conference, University of California, Irvine
- 2018 “The How and Why of Grad Student Activism” 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Black Summit/Celebrating Black Scholarship, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2018 “Conservative is a Relative Term: Conservative Student Groups on a College Campus”, The 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Language, Interaction, and Culture, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2017 “Flipping the Gaze: Critical Reflexivity while Working with Politically Conservative Student Groups”, Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington DC
- 2017 “Flipping the Gaze: Critical Reflexivity while Working with Politically Conservative Student Groups”, Language Interaction and Social Organization, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2016 “The Language of Criminalization Directed towards the Peer-to-Peer File Sharing Community”, Undergraduate Research Week, University of California Los Angeles
- 2015 “The Language of Criminalization Directed towards the Peer-to-Peer File Sharing Community”, Mellon-Mays Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Chicago
- 2015 “The Language of Criminalization Directed towards the Peer-to-Peer File Sharing Community”, Mellon-Mays Undergraduate Research Symposium, Stanford University

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- 2018-2021 UC-HBCU Pathways Initiative/NSF REU Increasing Diversity in the Linguistic Sciences through Research on Language and Social Mobility, Department of Linguistics, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2018-2019 North Hall Endowed Chair Graduate Student Researcher, Department of Linguistics, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2017-2018 Research Coordinator, Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities, University of California, Santa Barbara

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- 2025 Guest Lecture, Linguistics, “Gatekeeping Linguistic Authenticity in Contemporary Hip Hop (Meta) Discourse”, Language and the Black Experience, University Michigan, Ann Arbor
- 2025 Guest Lecture, Anthropology, “Racialized and Gendered Positionality in Ethnographic Research”, California State University Sacramento
- 2025 Guest Lecture, Ed, “Student Activism”, History of Higher Education, UCLA
- 2024 Guest Lecture, Ed 299 series for Urban Schooling, UCLA
- 2024 Guest Lecture, Engaging Racialized and Gendered Positionality in Ethnographic Research, Advanced Qualitative Methods, University of Pittsburgh
- 2023 Guest Lecture, “Standard Language Ideologies in Education,” Program in Linguistics, Emory University, co-presented with Dr. Kahdeidra Monet Martin
- 2023 Guest Lecture, “African American English: Language Variation and Social Realities”, Linguistics 20, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2023 Guest Lecture, “Virtue Signaling, Race, and Political Discourse”, Anthropology Department, Harvard University
- 2022 Guest Lecture, “A Tale of Two Perspectives: Navigating Ethnography and the Reflexive Ethic,” Anthropology Department, Language and Race, Emory University
- 2022 Associate Instructor of Record, Interdisciplinary Studies W 20 (Online), Summer Session B, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2022 Guest Lecture, “Virtue Signaling, Race, and Political Discourse”, Anthropology Department, Harvard University
- 2022 Guest Lecture, EFOP 2089: Critical Issues in Higher Education Governance, University of Pittsburgh
- 2022 Guest Lecture, Education 248G, University of California, Riverside
- 2021 Teaching Assistant, Linguistics 131: Sociocultural Linguistic Theory, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2021 Associate Instructor of Record, Interdisciplinary Studies 20 (Online), Summer Session, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2020 Guest Lecture, Language and Ideology, University of California, Davis
- 2020 Associate Instructor of Record, Interdisciplinary Studies 20 (Online), Fall

Quarter, University of California, Santa Barbara

- 2020 Associate Instructor of Record, Interdisciplinary Studies W 20 (Online), Summer Session B, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2020 Associate Instructor of Record, Introduction to Language and Linguistics, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2019 Teaching Assistant, Interdisciplinary Studies W 20 (Online), University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2019 Guest Lecture, The How and Why of College, Anthropology 101, School Kids, Investigating Language and Life, Santa Barbara City College on site of Santa Barbara High School
- 2019 Guest Lecture, Umoja Meeting, Santa Barbara City College
- 2018 Guest Lecture, C Lit 170: The Art of Translation, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2018 Teaching Assistant, Interdisciplinary Studies W 20 (Online), University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2018 Teaching Assistant, Linguistics 36: African American English, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2017 Teaching Assistant, Anthropology 101: Language and Society, School Kids Investigating Language and Life, Santa Barbara City College
- 2016 Teaching Assistant, Linguistics 50: Language and Power, University of California, Santa Barbara

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

- 2022-2024 Linguistics Society of America Centennial Committee Member
- 2022 Committee for Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics (CEDL) Travel Grant co-chair alongside deandre miles-hercules.
- 2021-2023 Graduate Student Representative, American Education Researchers Association, Language and Social Processes Special Interest Group
- 2022 Moderator, Webinar, Silence(ing) across learning spaces: New considerations for educational research aims and rationale, American Educational Research Association, Language and Social Processes Special Interest Group
- 2019-2021 University of California Student Regent

Chair, Regents Special Committee on Basic Needs  
 Chair, Regents Working Group on Foster Youth  
 Member: Finance and Capital Strategies  
 Member, Public Engagement and Development  
 Member, Investments  
 Member, Working Group on Technology Transfer and Innovation  
 Member, Working Group on Prop 16  
 Member, Working Group on Title IX Implementation

- 2018 Graduate Student Panelist, Linguistic Society of America Webinar: How to be a Successful Graduate Student Applicant
- 2017-2018 President, Black Graduate Student Association, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2017-2018 Committee Member, Linguistic Society of America Community College Initiative
- 2017-2020 Resident Advisor, Family Student Housing, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2016-17 Outreach Chairperson, Black Graduate Student Association, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2017 Graduate Student Teaching Fellow, School Kids Investigating Language in Life and Society, La Cuesta Continuation High School, Santa Barbara, California
- 2017-2019 Graduate Student Mentor, Black Student Engagement Program, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2016-2018 Committee Member, Black Resource Council, University of California, Santa Barbara  
 Retention Committee  
 Graduate Student Committee

**MENTORING/OUTREACH**

- 2022 Keynote, Bridging the Gap: Black Transfer Awareness at UCLA, Umoja and Center for Community College Partnerships, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2020 Keynote, Power to the First Gen Transfer: Counter-Narratives of First Gen Transfers. Center for Community College Partnership, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2019 Mentor, UCSB-HBCU Scholars in Linguistics Program/National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates (NSF #1757654), "Talking

College: Increasing Diversity in the Linguistic Sciences through Research on Language and Society Mobility,” Principal Investigator: Anne Charity Hudley, Co-Principal Investigator: Mary Bucholtz

- 2019 Panelist, Thriving, Not Surviving: Navigating Higher Education as a First-Generation College Student, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2019 Panelist, Black Image Series, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2019 Panelist, Linguistics Prospective Student Diversity Outreach, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2018 Panelist, Linguistic Society of America Webinar: How to be a Successful Grad Student Applicant
- 2018 Panelist, Mellon Mays Undergraduate Research Fellowship Southern California Regional Conference, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2018 Panelist, Mellon-Mays Undergraduate Research Fellowship Western Regional Conference, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2018 Mentor, UCSB-HBCU Scholars in Linguistics Program/National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates (NSF #1757654), "Talking College: Increasing Diversity in the Linguistic Sciences through Research on Language and Society Mobility,” Principal Investigator: Anne Charity Hudley, Co-Principal Investigator: Mary Bucholtz
- 2018 Panelist, Education Opportunity Program Summer Transfer Transition Program, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2018 Panelist, Thriving not Surviving: Navigating Higher Education as a First-Generation College Student, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2017-2018 Mentor, Black Student Engagement Program, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2017-2020 Mentor, UC-HBCU Pathways Initiative, Department of Linguistics, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2016 Keynote Speaker, Student Transfer Opportunity and Mentorship Program, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2014-16 Peer Mentor, Center for Community College Partnerships, University of California, Los Angeles

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

Stanford Black Academic Development (BAD) Lab  
Linguistic Society of America  
American Anthropological Association  
Association of Black Anthropologists  
American Education Researchers Association  
Language and Social Processes Special Interest Group  
Committee for Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics  
Center for California Languages and Cultures  
Society for Linguistic Anthropology  
Center for Studies in Higher Education

## **LANGUAGES**

Spanish (Conversational)  
Japanese (Conversational)

## **RESEARCH SPECIALIZATIONS**

SocioCultural Linguistics, African American English, Linguistic Anthropology,  
Political Discourse, Language and Education, Language Socialization