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EDUCATION

Florida State University, Library and Information Science, Ph.D., 1994

Dissertation: *The Design and Implementation of a Media Production Program to Build Self-Esteem and Improve the Academic Behavior and Reading Achievement of At-Risk Sixth Grade Students: An Experimental Study*

Atlanta University, Library Science, M.A., 1973

Fort Valley State College, English, B.S., 1968

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Full-time, Part-Time and Summer

June 2008 – Present

Associate Professor, School of Library and Information Science, University of South Florida

August 2002 to June 2008

Assistant Professor, School of Library and Information Science, University of South, Tampa, Florida

August 2000 to June 2002

English Instructor, LaGrange College, Albany, Albany, Georgia

Summer 1998

English Instructor, Albany State University, Albany, Georgia

September 1996 to June 2002

Reference Librarian, Albany State University, Albany, Georgia

March 1992 to June 1992

Reference Librarian, Albany State College, Albany, Georgia

September 1988 to December 1988

Cataloger, Albany State University, Albany, Georgia

PUBLIC SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

August 1986 to June 2002

Media Specialist, Merry Acres Middle School, Albany, Georgia

August 1984 to August 1986

English Teacher, Mitchell-Baker High School, Camilla, Georgia

August 1978 to June 1984

Librarian, Shadowlawn Middle School, Arlington, Tennessee

March 1977 to June 1978

English Teacher, Statesboro High School, Statesboro, Georgia

August 1976 to March 1977

English Teacher and Assistant Librarian, Bartlett Junior High School, Savannah, Georgia

August 1973 to June 1975

Librarian, Jackson Elementary School and Maddux Elementary School, West Memphis, Arkansas

August 1968 to June 1970

English Teacher, Lake City Junior High School, Lake City, Florida

AWARDS

Certificate of Appreciation, Oak Grove Elementary School, 2006

Certificate of Appreciation, Sigma Nu Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., 2004

Certificate of Appreciation, Children's Board, Hillsborough County, 2003

Title IVB Fellowship, United States Department of Education, 1990-1992

GENERAL RESEARCH INTERESTS

Multiculturalism in children's and young adult literature, diversity at all levels of librarianship, role of school media center in students' academic success

CURRENT RESEARCH INTEREST

Media center access and reading resources in charter schools

COURSES TAUGHT

LIS 6565 Books and Material for Young Adults
LIS 6564 Materials for Children
LIS 6455 Organization and Administration of the School Media Center
LIS 6225 Storytelling
LIS 5937 Multicultural Literature for Children and Young Adults

PUBLICATIONS

- Dunkley, Cora P. "The Religious Aspects in Virginia Hamilton's *The People Could Fly* and Other Sources," In Judith McConnell [Ed], *Adventures, Fantasy, and Dreams in Children's Literature*. Chicago: Linton Atlantic Books, Ltd., 2010.
- Dunkley, Cora P. "A Personal Visit with Ashley Bryan." *Children & Libraries*. Vol. 6 (2) Summer/Fall (2008): 24-26.
- Dunkley, Cora P. & Carey, James O. "Libraries and Media Centers." Eds. Kathryn M. Borman, Spencer E. Cahill, & Bridget A. Cotner. *The Praeger Handbook of American High Schools*, Westport, Connecticut: Praeger, Vol. 2, 2007, 271-274.
- Dunkley, Cora P. "Two Florida Librarians: Dr. Henrietta M. Smith and Samuel F. Morrison, Change Makers in the Profession." *Joint Conference of Librarians of Color 2006 Proceedings*, 2006. (In press)
- Dunkley, Cora P. "An Overview of the ELSUN Grant: Educating Librarians to Serve the Underserved." *Joint Conference of Librarians of Color 2006 Proceedings*, 2006. (In press)
- Dunkley, Cora P. & McCook, Kathleen de la Peña. "In Union there is Strength: Library and Information Science Educators and Librarians' Associations of Color. In Maurice B. Wheeler (Ed.), *Unfinished Business [:] Race, Equality, and Diversity in Library and Information Science Education*. Lanham Maryland: Scarecrow, 2005, 55-66.
- Dunkley, Cora P. "ELSUN Scholars Challenged by Library Professionals: Will You Lead or Manage?" *Florida Libraries News Digest* [Electronic Version], June 2005.
- Dunkley, Cora P. & Wohlmuth, Sonia. "Hispanic Heritage Month and Multiculturalism: An Opportunity for Meaningful Dialogue." *School Library Media Activities Monthly*, XXI: 2, 2004, 49-51.
- Dunkley, Cora P. "USF School of Library and Information Science Awarded Prestigious IMLS Grant." *Florida Libraries News Digest* [Electronic Version], December 2003.
- Dunkley, Cora P. "The Importance of Kinship as Perceived in Three Coretta Scott King Award Books [:] Protagonists Surviving the Loss of Family." *Journal of Youth Services in Libraries*, 2:1, 40-43, Fall 2003.

ORAL HISTORY (DVD)

Dunkley, Cora P. Producer and Researcher. Assistant Producer, Diane Austin. Director, Andrea LaRochelle. *Dr. Henrietta M. Smith and Samuel F. Morrison. Change Makers in the Profession* [DVD]. Tampa: University of South Florida School of Library and Information Science, 2007.

GRANTS

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| 2006-2007 | Enhancing Student Performance and Developing Self-Assessment Models through Video in Web Based and Blended Courses, with Diane Austin |
| 2004-2006 | Principal Investigator, Education of Librarians to Serve the Underserved (ELSUN). Institute of Museums and Library Service, with Sonia Wohlmuth |

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Dunkley, Cora P. Books about Different Family Structures. Florida Association for Media in Education Conference, Orlando, FL, 2008.
- Dunkley, Cora P. My Personal Experiences: Barriers to Public Library Use, in Dr. McCook's Adult Services in Libraries Class, Information Session: Racial Justice, 2007.
- Dunkley, Cora P. Overview of the ELSUN Grant: Educating Librarians to Serve the Underserved. Joint Conference of Librarians of Color, Dallas, TX, 2006.
- Dunkley, Cora P. My Story: Why and How I Became a Librarian. Great American Teach-In Tampa Bay, Oak Grove Elementary School, Tampa, FL, 2006.
- Dunkley, Cora P. Library Connections for Multicultural Communities. SEFLIN Regional Conference, Miami, FL, 2006.
- Dunkley, Cora P. Two Florida Librarians: Dr. Henrietta M. Smith and Samuel F. Morrison, Change Makers in the Profession. Joint Conference of Librarians of Color, Dallas, TX, 2006.
- Dunkley, Cora P. Count Me In: Focus on Multicultural Literature. Florida Association for Media in Education Conference. Orlando, FL, 2005.
- Austin, Diane, Austin, Richard & Dunkley, Cora P. Technology Assisted Activities for Teaching and Learning at a Distance. Association for Educational Communications & Technology Conference. Orlando, FL, 2005.
- Dunkley, Cora P. & Others. Librarianship and Opportunities in the Profession. Zeta Upsilon Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. St. Petersburg, FL, 2005.
- Smith, Henrietta, Dunkley, Cora P. & Others. Celebrating 50 Years of Heritage of *Brown v. Board of Education* (U.S. Supreme Court, 1954). Museums & Cultural Heritage & Black Caucus Interest Groups of the Florida Library Association. Daytona Beach, FL, 2004.
- Dunkley, Cora & Austin, Diane. Technology Assisted Activities for Teaching and Learning at a Distance Symposium on 21st Century Teaching. University of South Florida. Tampa, FL, 2004.
- Dunkley, Cora P. My Life as a Librarian. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's Career Day. University of Tampa. Tampa, FL, 2004.
- Dunkley, Cora P. & Wohlmuth, Sonia. Recruitment for Prospective Students for Institute of Museums and Library Services (IMLS) Grant. Miami-Dade Main Public Library. Miami, FL, 2004.
- Dunkley, Cora P. & Alexander, Linda. Dia de los Ninos/Dia de los Libros (Children's Day/Book Day). Florida Association for Media in Education. Daytona Beach, FL, 2003.
- Reid, Rebecca, Dunkley, Cora P., Pace, Mel & Others. K-12 Library Media Center and Intellectual Freedom. Georgia Council of Media Organizations. Jekyll Island, GA, 2003.
- Alexander, Linda & Dunkley, Cora P. The Purpose of the Alice G. Smith Preview Center at the University of South Florida (Poster Session). Florida Library Association, Daytona Beach, FL, 2003.
- Dunkley, Cora P. Integrating the Coretta Scott King Award and Honor Books in the Curriculum. Polk County Schools' Contact Day. Bartow, FL, 2003.
- Dunkley, Cora P. & Wohlmuth, Sonia. Recruitment for Prospective Students for Institute of Museums and Library Services (IMLS) Grant. Broward County Main Public Library. Fort Lauderdale, FL, 2003.
- Bauer, Patricia, Williams, Nancy, Dunkley, Cora P. & Alexander, Linda. USF Preview Center for Children's Materials. Egypt Lake Elementary School. Tampa, FL, 2003.
- Carey, James O., Bauer, Patricia, Pace, Mel, Alexander, Linda & Dunkley, Cora P. Recruiting Seminar. USF Pizzo Elementary School. Tampa, FL, 2003.

Keynote Speaker:

- Dunkley, Cora P. It's a Wonderful World When We are All Included: Key Issues and Developments in Multicultural and Ethnic Children's Literature. Children's Literature Symposium, USF Sarasota /Manatee, Sarasota, FL, 2007.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

- American Library Association
American Association of School Libraries
Member, Distinguished School Administrators Award Committee, 2006-Present
Association for Library and Information Science

Association for Library Service to Children

Member, Notable Children's Videos Committee, 2007-2009

Black Caucus of the American Library Association

Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Roundtable of American Library Association

Member, Coretta Scott King Taskforce, 2003-Present

Member, Coretta Scott King Book Award Grant Committee, 2005-2008

Chair, Coretta Scott King Diversity Fair Committee, 2007

Florida Association of Media in Education

Member, Membership Recruitment Committee, 2003-2004

Co-Chair, Awards/Public Relations Committee, 2004-2005

Florida Library Association

Chair, Black Caucus Interest Group, 2004-2005

Facilitator, Black Caucus Interest Group Session, 2005

Tampa Bay Library Consortium, Inc.

Member, 2002-2003

Friends of the New Tampa Regional Library

Member-at-Large, 2005-2007

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Member (CTM), Toastmasters International

Member, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Member, FamilyLife Weekend to Remember Volunteer Team