

SIR ARTHUR LEWIS INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC STUDIES



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OVERVIEW

The 2012/2013 academic year began on a high note with the staging of the thirteenth annual SALISES conference, this year dedicated to the fiftieth anniversary of independence in the Commonwealth Caribbean, *Fifty-Fifty: Critical Reflections in a Time of Uncertainty*. The Fifty-Fifty-conference, held from August 20–24, featured over three hundred participants, organised in 67 panels and addressed wide-ranging themes including Caribbean integration, labour markets, knowledge and education, politics, the state and constitutional reform, social protection, gender reform, environment and vulnerability, the University of the West Indies, crime, agricultural development, the state of youth and many others. Special plenary speakers included Jamaican Prime Minister Portia Simpson Miller, Leader of the Opposition Andrew Holness and Minister

of Finance Peter Phillips, Prime Minister of St Vincent and the Grenadines Ralph Gonsalves, United Kingdom Member of Parliament Diane Abbott, Governor of the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank Dwight Venner, Chancellor of the UWI George Alleyne, Professors Emeritus of the UWI Norman Girvan and Selwyn Ryan and UWI Professor Verene Shepherd. The Conference was the culmination of a series of thirty two events staged over the previous two years that included a Prime Ministerial Reflections series featuring former Jamaican Prime Ministers and a similar event in Trinidad and Tobago, a major conference on Law and Justice in the Caribbean with guest speaker Prime Minister Kenny Anthony of St Lucia as well as international events co-sponsored with fraternal institutions in London, Florida, Havana and the Cayman Islands.

One of the immediate outcomes of the Fifty-Fifty project was the initiation and consolidation of a cluster system for research in the Institute. In order to carry out the wide-ranging series of seminars associated with the project, some seventeen clusters were established to bring together interdisciplinary groups of scholars and practitioners from within the UWI, the region and beyond, in order to meet, plan and execute a research agenda around designated thematic areas. Six of these have to date been retained as SALISES clusters around which research will be organised in the future, including:

1. Sustainable Rural and Agricultural Development
2. Caribbean Integration
3. Grenada
4. Youth
5. Social Policy
6. Political economy and Public Policy

Planning and arrangements for the new MSc in Development Studies were completed and the Institute prepared for the first entrants to the programme in the 2013/14 Academic Year. The new MSc is offered over one year for full time students and features a wide range of electives from

across the University. It fulfils two mandates from the 2010 Quality Assurance Review, which suggested that SALISES should play to its strengths as an Interdisciplinary institute, rather than try to replicate disciplinary based degrees and that SALISES should focus on its advantages in research. The final stage in the implementation of the Quality Assurance suggestions will be the review of the MPhil/PhD programme which is planned to take place in the 2013/14 academic year.

The Annual Child research conference, led by Dr Aldrie Henry-Lee and held for seven consecutive years, continued as an important feature of the SALISES calendar. This year the theme was “Political Independence and Child Rights” in keeping with the Fifty-fifty theme.

Two grants were secured for the production of films: Patricia Northover received a grant from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries (MOAF), for producing an audio-visual series addressing the history of the sugar industry up to present and highlighting its future prospects ‘Raising Cane: Recycling Sweetness and Power in Modern Jamaica’ and Brian Meeks was given one of twenty grants from the Jamaica Legacy committee to commemorate Fifty Years of Independence to make a film based on the Fifty-Fifty theme.

The Graduate Scholars programme, initiated in 2011/12 continues, with the latest recipient for 2012/13 being Ms Shamair Henry, an MPhil/PhD candidate currently working on the ‘Deportee’ question.

The Visiting Fellows Programme, a competitive scheme that allows Faculty members from outside SALISES to spend a semester here in order to complete research and writing projects also continued, with Dr Leith Dunn from the Mona Institute for Gender and Development Studies gaining the fellowship for 2013/14.

STAFF MOVEMENTS

- **Mr. Richard Leach** was recently awarded the Master of Science degree in Management Information Systems from the UWI.

- **Drs. Aldrie Henry-Lee and Philip Osei** returned from sabbatical leave at the end of the academic year.
- **Mrs. Marsha Grey-Lewis** is pursuing a part-time Master of Science degree in Sociology here at the University.

STUDENT MATTERS:

Graduating Class of 2011/2012

The academic year 2011–2012 ended with twenty-one (21) students being awarded the MSc degrees. The breakdown was as follows:

Table 1. MSc Graduating Class 2011/2012 by Programme and Gender

| | Governance and Public Policy | Economic Development Policy | Social Policy | Total |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| No. of Students by programme | 12 (M= 5; F= 7) | 4 (M= 0; F=4) | 5 (M=2; F= 3) | 21 (M=7; F=14) |
| Full-Time | 1 (M=0; F= 1) | 1 (M=0; F=1) | 1 (M= 0; F=1) | 3 (M=0; F= 3) |
| Part-Time | 11 (M=5; F= 6) | 3 (M= 0; F= 3) | 4 (M= 2; F=2) | 18 (M=7; F=11) |

In summary:

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|-----------------------------------|----|
| MSc Governance and Public Policy: | 12 |
| MSc Economic Development Policy: | 4 |
| MSc Social Policy: | 5 |

MSc Students (2013/2014)

Seventeen (17) students accepted the offer and registered for the 2012/2013 academic year, with fifteen (15) being part-time students and two (2) being full-time students. The breakdown was as follows:

Table 2. Registration for New MSc Students (August-September): 2012/2013 by programme and gender

| | MSc. Development Studies | Total |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|
| No. of Students by Programme | (M=5; F=12) | 17 |
| Full/Time | (M=1; F=1) | 2 |
| Part/Time | (M=4; F=11) | 15 |

Returning MSc Cohort 2012/2013

Table 3. Registration for Returning MSc Students 2012/2013 by programme and gender

| | Governance and Public Policy | Economic Development Policy | Social Policy | Total |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|-------|
| No. of Students by programme | 5 (M= 0; F= 5) | 3 (M= 2; F=1) | 5 (M=3; F= 2) | 13 |
| Full-Time | 0 (M=0; F= 0) | 0 (M=0; F=0) | 1 (M= 1; F=0) | 1 |
| Part-Time | 5 (M=0; F= 5) | 3 (M= 2; F= 1) | 4 (M= 3; F=2) | 12 |

A total of thirty-two (32) returning MPhil/PhD students were registered for the academic year 2012/2013. The breakdown was as follows:

Table 4. Returning Cohorts – MPhil/PhD Registrations, 2012/2013 programme and gender

| | Governance and Public Policy | Economic Development Policy | Social Policy | Total |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------|
| No. of Students by programme | 10 (M= 5; F= 5) | 11 (M= 7; F=4) | 11 (M=2; F= 9) | 32 |
| Full-Time | 0 (M=0; F= 0) | 1 (M=1; F=0) | 1 (M= 0; F=1) | 2 |
| Part-Time | 10 (M=5; F= 5) | 10 (M= 6; F= 4) | 10 (M= 2; F=8) | 30 |

RESEARCH PAPER (SALI 6060) FOR 2013

There are thirteen (13) students currently writing the Research Paper. The breakdown is as follows:

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|-------------------------------|---|
| Governance and Public Policy: | 5 |
| Economic Development Policy: | 3 |
| Social Policy: | 5 |

Table 5. Net Income from SALISES Degree Programmes, 2012/2013

| Net Income | J\$ |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| MSc, MPhil, PhD | 3,611,387.11 (July, 2013) |

DOCUMENTATION CENTRE

The SALISES Documentation Centre (DC) continued to deliver invaluable information and library service to graduate students at the University and more specifically to those in the Social Sciences. Other local and overseas researchers also utilised the facilities, especially visiting

lecturers, research fellows and graduate school students from the United States and United Kingdom.

The DC continued to work with the Main Library to increase access to online databases while at the same time acquiring relevant print documents including government documents, both local and overseas, UN reports and those of international agencies, work produced by SALISES fellows and other staff members of the Faculty including conference papers.

Readings for the SALISES Graduate Programme, the Human Resource Development Programme (HRD), and the departments within the Faculty were processed and made available for both semesters.

Some of the key activities during the period included:

- Integration of the DC collections into the Main Library's ALEPH database. The process began in June 2013 with an assessment of the collection and continued in July 2013 with staff training and data entry. Staff received training in the use of the software to undertake both copy and original cataloguing of materials in different formats, adding barcodes and creating holdings of item records.
- Displays included: Recent Staff Publications and activities related to the Fifty-Fifty Research Project.
- SALISES participated in 'Mona Research Days' which was held from February 7–8, 2013. The DC staff with assistance from Dr. Gilbert-Roberts coordinated this activity and members of the academic and other SALISES staff helped with the manning of the booth. The display included a retrospective look at the Fifty-Fifty Research Project, the work coming out of some of the research clusters, students and staff research and publications, and interviews with Fellows on their areas of research interest.
- The DC continued collecting and archiving all memorabilia, including pictures, videos and clippings, of all Fifty-Fifty activities and the major Fifty-Fifty Conference in August 2012.
- A re-organisation of the collections continued over the period to allow more accessibility to some of the heavily used collections. Some

sections of the collections were weeded and shifted to create space and improve visibility and accessibility. The annual shelf reading of the main collections began in the summer period and is expected to be completed in the new academic year.

- One student from the Department of Library and Information Studies, Asha Moncrieffe, completed her six weeks field work at the DC, during the period July to early August 2013.

PUBLICATIONS SECTION

Sales Report (August 1, 2012–July 31, 2013)

| | US\$ | JA\$ |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| SES Subs | 4,885.00 | |
| SES royalties | 7,207.83 | |
| JAMCOPY royalties | | 290,627.25 |
| Walk-in sales (SES) | | 42,200.00 |
| Walk-in sales (Special Books) | 34.00 | 54,230.00 |
| Total | US\$12,126.83 | JA\$387,057.25 |

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC STUDIES (SES)

Off press

- Volume 61: 2, June 2012 – *5050 Special Issue on Law and Justice in the Commonwealth Caribbean*
- Volume 61: 3, September 2012 Special Issue on *Women's Reproductive Health and Rights in select Caribbean countries*, guest edited by Taitu Heron and Shakira Maxwell

- Volume 61: 4, December 2012 General issue
- Volume 62: 1 and 2, March/June 2013 General issue

DEREK GORDON DATA BANK

Data Documentation

Documentation was finalised on most of the datasets which can be viewed on the SALISES website

Software

Web page maintenance

- SALISES website
- 50-50 conference website
- Caribbean Child Research Conference website
- Regional Integration website
- Law and Justice Website
- SALISES blog
- SALISES Facebook
- Caribbean Child Research Conference Facebook

Hardware

- Computer repair and maintenance
- Conduct Inventory on old computers

Technical Support to Researchers and Students

- Provided technical advice to postgraduate students
- Prepared tabulations, charts, etc. for teaching and research purposes

- Prepared of datasets for students and other researchers
- Supervised 2 MSc and 1 MPhil/PhD students.
- Provided technical assistance to staff members

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

- Preparation, including creating, formatting and printing, of all documentation (programme, posters, labels, etc) for seminars and conferences e.g. 50-50 conference, Caribbean Child Health Conference, Regional integration conference.
- Compilation and editing of abstracts for the major 50-50 conference.
- Managed the IT services for all seminars and conferences held during the year
- Managed Health group for 50-50 conference
- Provided management support at conferences

PAPERS PRESENTED

Fox, Helen

- Attended Expert group meeting to explore and promote wider use of the results of the 2010 Population and Housing Census at ECLAC in Port of Spain and presented 2 papers: “The use of census data for national development planning: Focus on the 2010 Population and Housing Census” and ‘Best practices and recommendations for use of census data’.

Gilbert-Roberts, Terri-Ann

- “Caribbean Youthscapes and the Regional Governance Debate”. Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) 38th Annual Conference, Grande Anse, Grenada, June 2013.

- “Breaking the Silence: Challenging Youth Voicelessness in the Development Dialogue”. SALISES 14th Annual Conference, Barbados, April 22–24, 2013.
- “Professionalising Youth Work in the Commonwealth Caribbean through Higher Education”. Commonwealth Conference on the Education and Training of Youth Workers (CCETYW), University of South Africa, Pretoria, March 18–20, 2013.
- “CARICOM 50-50: Popularising Sovereignty through Youth-Adult Partnerships”, SALISES 50/50 Conference under the theme “Critical Reflections in a Time of Uncertainty”, Kingston, Jamaica, August 22, 2012

Henry Lee, Aldrie

- “Childhood and Child Policy in Jamaica since Independence” SALISES 50/50 Conference, August 2012.
- “Child Rights in the British Virgin Islands” Caribbean Child Research Conference, November 2012.
- ‘Child Rights in the Caribbean: Policies and Actions’ CSA Conference 2013.
- ‘Caribbean Children in the 21st century: Challenges and Opportunities’ SALISES Conference (Barbados) April 2013.

Lewis, Patsy

- ‘Navigating Crisis in a Small State: Mt. Moritz Case Study’. SALISES’ 14th Annual Conference, Towards a New Development Paradigm for the Caribbean: The Next 50 years. Divi Southwinds Beach Resort, Christ Church, Barbados, April 22 to 24, 2013.
- Jessica Byron and Patsy Lewis ‘Responses to the Sovereignty/Vulnerability/Development Dilemmas: Small Territories and Regional Organizations in the Caribbean’. UNESCO and Universite des Antilles et de la Guyane (UAG) Colloquium, Martinique, ‘La place des entites infra etatiques dans les organisations de cooperation et d’integratoin regionals.’ UAG, Martinique, March 24–28.

- ‘Foreign Policy and Economic Development in Small States: A Case Study of Grenada’. VI International Conference, “Cuba and the Caribbean: 40 years of relations”. Caribbean Studies Department, University of Havana, December 4–7, 2012.
- ‘Jamaica: The Past 50 Years Lessons Learnt and the Way Forward’. Symposium on Jamaica’s Involvement in Foreign Trade, 1962–2012. Forging the link between trade and development. Knutsford Court Hotel, 14–15 November, 2012.
- ‘How Viable are Small Island States? Sovereignty revisited in the context of the post-independence experience: A Grenada Case Study’. SALISES 50/50 Conference, Critical Reflections in a Time of Uncertainty. Jamaica Pegasus, Kingston, August 20–24, 2012.
- ‘Whither Caribbean integration? Recasting the foundations of a new integration project’. SALISES 50/50 Conference, ‘Critical Reflections in a Time of Uncertainty’. Jamaica Pegasus, Kingston, August 20–24, 2012.

Meeks, Brian

- “Reflecting on Fifty-Fifty: Prospects for Independence and National Development in Jamaica and the Caribbean for the Next Half Century”, Universidad de la Habana, VI Conferencia Internacional “Cuba y el Caribe: 40 años de Relaciones”, Habana Cuba, 5–7 December.
- “Looking at the Future of the Relations between Cuba and the Caribbean”, participant in round table discussion, Universidad de la Habana, VI Conferencia Internacional, “Cuba y el Caribe: 40 años de Relaciones”, Habana Cuba, 5–7 December.
- “A Way Forward for Jamaica” Keynote address at the 38th Triennial Synod of the Anglican Church in the Province of the West Indies, Montego Bay, November 10.
- Guest discussant for the launch of the B World Connection film “Jamaïque, 50 Ans d’Independence, “Une Nation en Mission”,

Universite des Antilles et de la Guyane, Guadeloupe, October 19, 2012.

- “Retrospective on Revolution: Grenada 1979–1983” on the panel “Conflict and the Independence Experience: Unresolved Issues”, Fifty-Fifty: Critical Reflections in a Time of Uncertainty, SALISES Thirteenth Annual Conference, Kingston, August 20–24, 2012.
- “The Regionality Report: Reflecting on Changes in UWI’s Regional Character” on the panel “The Evolution of UWI Since Independence”, Fifty-Fifty: Critical Reflections in a Time of Uncertainty, SALISES Thirteenth Annual Conference, Kingston, August 20–24, 2012.

Northover, Patricia

- Northover, P. and C. Taylor (2012), “The changing nature of Jamaica’s rural spaces: Towards a rethinking of rural development strategies in the Post Independence Era, Power point/ 34 slides. 50/50, SALISES Jubilee Conference, “Critical Reflections in a Time of Uncertainty,” Kingston, Jamaica, Aug 20–24, 2012.

Paul, Annie

- “Borderline and Marginal: Gender and Gender Bending in the Postcolonial Caribbean”, 31st Annual West Indian Literature Conference “Imagined Nations, 50 Years Later: Reflections on Independence and Federation in the Caribbean”, Caribbean Literary and Cultural Studies at the University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL, USA. October 12, 2012.
- “Recharting Art Import/Export Routes in India: The Kochi-Muziris Biennale”, presented on the panel Subaltern Rising: Racialization and Visual Culture in the Wake of Independence, organized by the Association for Critical Race Art History, College Art Association (CAA’s) 101st Annual Conference, The Hilton, New York. February 15, 2013.
- “Economic Growth in Post-Independence Jamaica”, presentation to 50-50 Conference, August 21, 2012

Tindigarukayo, Jimmy

- Outcome Evaluation of the Caribbean HIV/AIDS Regional Training (CHART) Network, presented at the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Studies (SALISES) 14th Annual Conference at Divi Southwinds Beach Resorts, Barbados, April 22–24, 2013.
- Historical Development of the Housing Sector in Jamaica Since 1962, presented at the SALISES 13th Annual Conference at the Jamaica Pegasus Hotel, Kingston, August 20–24, 2012.

Witter, Michael

- R. Pulwarty, L. Nurse and M. Witter, “Mainstreaming Climate Change into Development Planning in the Caribbean”, prepared for IDB Regional Policy Dialogue, Dominican Republic, September 20–21, 2012.
- “The Music Subsector in Jamaica in 2012”, presentation to the Reggae Studies Conference, February 14, 2013.
- Participation and brief presentation to Youth Forum, United Theological College, March 1, 2013.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Gilbert-Roberts, Terri-Ann

- *The Politics of Integration: Caribbean Sovereignty Revisited*, Kingston: Ian Randle Publishers, February 2013.

Refereed Journal Articles

Henry-Lee, Aldrie

- “A Child’s Right to Education in Jamaica: A preliminary Examination”. by Aldrie Henry-Lee in *Caribbean Dialogue*, SALISES, St. Augustine, volume 16, 2011.

Newman, Nadine

- Second Career Librarians: Teachers Transitioning to Librarianship, *Library Review*, Vol. 61, No. 6, 2012, (co-author, Claudett Lambert)

Northover, Patricia

- Crichlow, M, Northover, P. and Jenson, D (2012) “Caribbean Entanglements in a Time of Crises”, *Global South*, Spring 2012 (6: 1) 1–14.
- “Abject Blackness, Hauntologies of Development and the Demand for Authenticity: A Critique of Sen’s ‘Development as Freedom’”, *Global South*, Spring 2012 (6:1): 66–86.
- “Globalization and Climate Change: Confronting the Caribbean’s ‘Double Exposure’” *Small States Digest*, (4) 4–10. 2012.

Tindigarukayo, Jimmy

- Impact Assessment of Health and Family Life Education in Jamaica”, *International Journal of Business and Social Research*, Vol. 3, No 1, (January 2013), pp. 98–107.
- “Clients’ Level of Satisfaction with Public Service Provision in Jamaica”, *International Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences*, Vol. 2, No. 15 (August 2012), pp. 20–31.

Refereed Book Chapters

Lewis, Patsy

- “‘A Scuffling of Islands’ or a Nation?’ in Aaron Kamugisha (ed.), *Caribbean Political Thought: Theories of the Post-Colonial State*. Kingston: Ian Randle Publishers. 2013, pp. 363–373.
- ‘Foreign Policy and Economic Development in Small States: A Case Study of Grenada’. In Rupert Lewis (ed.), *Caribbean Political Activism: Essays in Honour of Richard Hart*. 2012. Centre for Caribbean Thought Caribbean Reasonings series. Ian Randle Publishers: Kingston, pp. 254–289.

Meeks, Brian

- “The Political Moment in Jamaica: The Dimensions of Hegemonic Dissolution” (previously published 1996) in Aaron Kamugisha (ed.) *Caribbean Political Thought: Theories of the Post-Colonial State*, Ian Randle Publishers, Kingston and Miami, 2013, pp. 81–97.
- “Jamaica on the Cusp of Fifty: Whither Nationalism and Sovereignty?” in Linden Lewis (ed.) *Caribbean Sovereignty, Development and Democracy in an Age of Globalization*, Routledge, London and New York, 2012, pp. 228–244.

Non-Refereed Articles

Meeks, Brian

- “Reminiscing in Black, Gold and Green”, *SX Salon*, issue 11, “The Fiction of Independence”, <http://smallaxe.net/wordpress3/discussions/2013/02/11> February 2013.

Osei, Philip

- “Collaboration in Local Service delivery in Ghana: *Open Windows, delayed service and dissatisfied clients in the Tema Metropolis*”. Paper presented to the staff of the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration. Greenhill, Achimota, Accra. 21 February, 2013.

Paul, Annie

- “Usain Bolt’s Sly Bravado Is a Source of Jamaican Pride”. *Newsweek International*, August 9, 2012.
- “India Debuts Kochi-Muziris Biennale”. *Newsweek International*, December 24, 2012.
- “Looking for “Decolonial Love” in Postcolonial Jamaica”. *SX Salon* 12: A Small Axe Literary Platform. 2013. (<http://smallaxe.net/wordpress3/reviews/2013/05/27/looking-for-decolonial-love-in-postcolonial-jamaica/>)

Tindigarukayo, Jimmy

- “The years 50 Next: Make homeownership affordable”, *Jamaica Gleaner*, Friday January 11, 2013.

Technical Reports

Gilbert-Roberts, Terri-Ann

- Henry, Lee, A., **Gilbert-Roberts**, T. and Reece, J. “Evaluation of Early Childhood Institutions”. Report prepared for Jamaica Social Investment Fund (JSIF), June, 2013, c. 216 pages.
- **Gilbert-Roberts**, T., Henry-Lee, A., Lewis, P., Ricketts, H., Thompson, K., and Meeks, B. (2013, May). “Reducing Inequalities for a Better Jamaica: Report on Post 2015 Consultations in Jamaica”. Prepared for the United Nations in Jamaica, May, 2013, c. 70 pages plus appendices.

Tindigarukayo, Jimmy

- A Report on, “Evaluation of the Caribbean HIV/AIDS Regional Training (CHART) Network”, 32 pp. January 3013; prepared for Caribbean HIV/AIDS Regional Training (CHART) Network Coordinating Unit, University of the West Indies.

Witter, Michael

- “The Music Sub-Sector of the Jamaican Economy in 2012”, prepared for the Mona School of Business and Management”, December, 2012.
- “Jamaica: Achievements since Barbados, 1994, and new Challenges for Samoa, 2014 – Synthesis Document for the SIDS National Preparatory Process”, prepared for the Government of Jamaica and the UNDP, June 2013.

Edited Volumes

Northover, Patricia

- Crichlow, M, Jenson, D and Northover, P “States of Freedom/Freedom” editors of the *Special Issue of Global South*, Spring, 2012.
- “Globalization and Climate Change: Confronting the Caribbean’s Double exposure”, editor of special issues of *Small States Digest*, volume 4: 2012 and volume 2: 2013.

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Newman, Nadine

- OAS-eCornell Scholarship to undertake certificate course, Change Leadership, January 2, 2013 – April 9, 2013
- ACRL Virtual Conference Scholarship 2013, to attend the ACRL Virtual Conference;
- Imagine, Innovate, Inspire, held in Indianapolis, Indiana, April 10–13, 2013.

PUBLIC SERVICE

Fox, Kristin

- Member, Steering Committee, Jamaica Survey of Living Conditions
- Member, Early Childhood Commission, Research Committee

Henry-Lee, Aldrie

- Coordinator, JSIF, Early Childhood Development Project
- Researcher, UNDP, MDGs Beyond 2015
- Reviewer, *Mico Journal of Education*

Lewis, Patsy

- Member, UHWI’s Hospital Board
- Member, UHWI Strategic Planning Committee
- Member, UHWI Nursing Advisory Committee
- Member, UHWI, Human Special Resources Advisory Committee
- Member, UHWI, Board of Trustees, UHWI superannuation scheme
- Member, American International School (AISK) Endowment Committee
- Member, Advisory Committee to the Jamaica Trade Board

Meeks, Brian

- Member, Government of Jamaica’s Legacy Committee
- Member, Board of Directors, Planning Institute of Jamaica (PIOJ).
- Member, International Advisory Board of the European Review of Latin American and Caribbean Studies/Revista Europea de Estudios Latinoamericanos y del Caribe (ERLACS)
- Member, Project Steering Group “Westminster in the Caribbean”, Collaboration with the Institute of the Americas, University College London.

Newman, Nadine

- Member, Library and Information Association of Jamaica (LIAJA)
- Member, Research and Publications Working Party, LIAJA
- Member, Socio-Economic Information Network (SECIN)
- Member, American Library Association (ALA)
- Member, Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL)
- Member, Association of Caribbean Higher Education Administrators (ACHEA)
- Class Representative, Grades 2-3 and 5-3, St. Peter and Paul Preparatory School
- Assistant Secretary, Chancery Hall Citizen Association

Northover, Patricia

- Member, Excelsior High School Student welfare/ LHS scholarship fund
- Associate Editor, Cultural Dynamics: Insurgent Scholarship on Culture, Politics and Power: <http://cdy.sagepub.com/>

Paul, Annie

- Adviser, 2013 Prince Claus Fund Awards
- Adviser, 2013 Musgrave Medals, Institute of Jamaica
- Juror, 2012 Jamaica Biennial, National Gallery of Jamaica
- Cultural Fund Committee, JAMCOPY

Tindigarukayo, Jimmy

- Member, Committee on Data Sharing and Pricing Policy, Public Sector Reform Unit, Cabinet Office, Government of Jamaica.

White, Thelma

- Chair, Advocacy, Library and Information Organization (LIAJA)
- Sunday School Superintendent, Braeton New Testament Church

Witter, Michael

- Member, Oversight Committee, Forest Conservation Fund
- Member, Advisory Group to the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre
- Member, Council of the Institute of Jamaica
- Member, Canari's Caribbean Green Economy Action Learning Group.

GRANTS

Meeks, Brian

- Government of Jamaica/CHASE Foundation grant to produce a film “Fifty-Fifty: Critical reflections in a Time of Uncertainty”. One of twenty projects to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of Jamaican Independence. February, 2013.

Northover, Patricia

- Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries (MOAF), two year grant agreement, valued at approximately J\$27 million, for producing an audio-visual series addressing the history of the sugar industry up to the present and highlighting its future prospects. November 2012.