



## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY PSYCHOLOGY & SOCIAL WORK

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### OVERVIEW

A year which saw a slow recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department was stretched thin. More than eight members of staff were infected, with the HOD, severely affected. Most frustrating was the inability to fund the most basic of expenditures. Indeed, the lack of control over all elements of the financial and human resources proved to be a major bugbear. The embarrassing impoverished situation of the University and Campus, was disproportionately borne by the Department. Indeed, the DSPSW is not a net drain on the University. Yet, even in terms of its access to its own funds generated by the 'self-financing' programmes, it is at a disadvantage. One particular flash point was the refusal of the Bursary to allow for the use of a small amount of the funds from the 'milch cow' MSc HRD graduate programme to cover a temporary shortfall in the PhD OB, a course in the same Unit. Of course, the PhD OB is a magnet and enhances the image of the Department and overall HRD Graduate programmes, which administers both symbiotic programmes. Indeed, there is reason to believe that the very existence of the PhD OB, positively affects the enrolment and prestige of the MSc. More perplexing is that the University made the Department's funds available to do other non DSPSW things, which are not remotely connected to the Department. Indeed, at present there are unpaid invoices for work done to enhance the Department's output. Commendations to the administrative and staff, who performed yeoman work despite some contractual challenges some have faced. Some academics have had reduced contracts, as the instructions were given to advertise some of their posts.

Despite the caution that any reduction of contract can be seen as a dismissal and that any advertisement of the post of an incumbent is tantamount to notice of dismissal; up to the time of the departure of the outgoing Head of Department, no definitive response has been given to what seems to be a breach of the current labour laws and standards. It was also noted that 'contracts for services' for full time academic staff were in fact 'disguised contracts' as declared by the International Labour Organisation. Therefore, it must be noted that given the existing research and body of work of the HOD, the opposition to one member of staff being re-engaged under this label must be recorded. Nonetheless, the year saw the promotion/advancement of three (3) persons, bringing the total number of promotions since 2016 to 22.

Of note, it would be disingenuous not to acknowledge the distraction of energy to right a wrong, which took two years for the University to be forced to act properly and follow its own rules, in an ongoing matter involving the HOD. This had an immense impact on the energy which could have been better used for the greater benefit of the Department. In many ways the anchor of the Department, as we navigated the pandemic, the HRD Unit operated with a skeleton staff of two, one of whom had a vulnerable contract. All teaching staff are adjunct, with the then HOD teaching a course as part of his load. One challenge was the crossing of signals regarding the other adjuncts, who due to what was perceived as a deliberate disregard for the 'retroactivity' admonition. Despite the evidence to the contrary, the contracts for a number of adjuncts were not approved. It took the end of the year for the matter to be resolved. The Unit was well prepared for the online and mixed teaching, with Miss Olivene Thomas having initiated many of the changes before the pandemic. Importantly, enrolment was consistent with the norm, as a number of students, who perhaps might not have been able to take up offers, benefitting from the remote delivery.

The completion rate for the last cohort was 90 percent and we saw one person, Zeudi Munroe, completing the PhD OB. Still, there are persons waiting to be paid for research and editing work, and this has impeded the publication of at least one monograph/edited collection.

### **Social Work Unit**

The Academic Year 2021/22 for the Social Work Unit was both interesting and trying however the staff as usual were up to the challenge. The support staff Ms Tameka Claudius (whose responsibilities include graduate

matters) and Ms. Tesi Scott (whose responsibilities include undergraduate matters) as usual worked tirelessly and pro-actively to ensure the administrative processes and deadlines were met. Mrs. Arna Elliott-Rattray continued to serve as the Undergraduate Unit Coordinator and Mrs. Kimberly Hinds-Heron continued in her role as Practicum Coordinator with the added responsibility of Graduate Coordination. Miss Sandra Latibeaudiere continued as coordinator of the SWU. The Social Work Unit was contracted to do capacity-building training for over 30 hospital Social Workers to manage social cases. The consultancy was for six (6) months February 26 to August 25, 2021. Special Projects in the Bursary managed the consultancy.

### **External Collaboration**

The Sickle Cell Support Foundation of Jamaica, led by Camille Daley, launched its 30th Anniversary Sickle Cell Scholarship and Bursary Programme in June 2022. The programme will assist needy students, with sickle cell disease, access tertiary and post-secondary education starting in September 2022. Dr Doreen Gordon since July 2022, is involved in a cross-faculty submission to the Caribbean Development Bank for a project on "Early Warning Systems, Capacity Building and Resilience in Coastal and Watershed Communities in the face of Climate Change. Since July 2022, Dr Gordon has been involved in a cross-faculty submission to the Caribbean Development Bank for a project on "Early Warning Systems, Capacity Building and Resilience in Coastal and Watershed Communities in the face of Climate Change." If the project is approved, it would bring revenue to the University of the West Indies and possibly funding for Mphil/PhD programmes in the Faculty of Social Sciences focused on the theme of Climate Change.

She was invited by the Pro Vice Chancellor of Graduate Studies Professor Rose-Marie Belle Antoine (now the new Principal of the UWI St Augustine Campus), to be part of the Caribbean Climate Smart Accelerator (CCSA) Investor Matchmaking Initiative. This will involve presenting the project proposal to potential investors at a Forum on the Blue Economy on September 6th, 2022. This could potentially bring revenue to the department and to the UWI. The MOU between the University of Cape Coast (UCC) and the University of the West Indies, (with the Department of Sociology, Psychology and Social Work, Mona Campus, with Dr. Michael Barnett as the pivot on this side of the waters and the Centre of International Education as the pivot for the University of Cape Coast, Ghana that was mentioned in last

year's report, are now formally linked. Dr Orville Taylor is also part of this Africentric collaboration and a trip to Ghana is on the agenda for next year as well as research. The Social Work Unit, facilitated by Dr Rogers, sought to re-establish the partnership with the University of Kwa Zulu Natal, Howard Campus. There was an existing MOU which has expired. An initial meeting was held on July 7, 2022, with Dr Sibonsile Zibane, Head, Social Work Discipline, Dr Tracie Rogers, Mrs Elliott-Rattray, Ms Tesi Scott and Ms Sandra Latibeaudiere. The envisioned partnership would entail staff and student exchanges, sharing of best practices in practicum, and guest lectures. \

### **Staff Movement**

Dr Taylor ended his term as Head of Department, Mr Colin Williams completes a year under a contract for services, Wendy Cooke McLean returns in August 2022, having completed her PhD. Unfortunately, two (2) 'built from within' assistant lecturers, Neena Albarus and Nicola Williams both resigned to go to greener grasses. The Department welcomed the addition of Dr LeQuay, who replaced Dr Marina Ramkissoon, who was transferred to the Registry to fill the position of Director of Human Resource Management.

### **Academic Achievement and Staff Development**

Dr Ayesha Facey completed her PhD Sociology

Dr Wendy McLean Cooke completed hers in Social Work

### **Accepted for Conference Presentation**

Taylor, Orville 'Politics of Identity': Narrative vs Reality, Washington DC August 2022

### **Conference, Workshop and Seminar Participation**

Dr Beckford organized and presented free online workshops in CAPE Sociology, Management of Business and Caribbean Studies, at UWI for high schools students. This is in an effort to improve the quality of students coming into the sociology and other programmes at UWI Mona

Rogers, T. Elliott-Rattray, A. Lubin-Langtiw. C. Kimberly Hinds-Heron, Shawna-Kae Burns. Caribbean Women and the Sounds they make: Creating Narrative in the Absence of Dialogue, 18th International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry (QI2022)

Gordon, D. (2022). "O Dia dos Santos (The Day of the Saints): The Growth of the Black Evangelical Movement and Anti-Racist Mobilization in Brazil. International Virtual Conference: Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean: Past, Present, and Possible Futures. School of Advanced Studies, University of London. January 13-14, 2022

James Bateman, C (2022). "Finishing Strong: How to set your goals and stick to them". Department of Child and Adolescent Health, Faculty of Medical Sciences. The University of the West Indies, Mona.

James Bateman James, C (2022). "We appreciate you". Motivational Talk to administrative staff. The Faculty of Science and Technology. The University of the West Indies, Mona.

James Bateman James, C (2022). "Going beyond the psychiatric diagnosis: The art of listening to mad stories". University of North Texas, January 25, 2022.

James Bateman, C (2022). Clinical Psychology in Jamaica, diagnosis, treatment and practice. University of North Texas, January 26, 2022.

James Bateman, C (2021). The art of listening to "mad stories": going beyond the psychiatric diagnosis. Utrecht College University. November 11, 2021.

Latibeaudiere, S. hosted an information session on Dementia at the Farmer's Market, Hope Botanical Gardens, September 25, 2021

Latibeaudiere, S Planned a Vaccination Drive-Thru for persons living with dementia, their families and caregivers, in collaboration with Mona Ageing & Wellness & The National Council for Senior Citizens, Ministry of Labour & Social Security, October 6, 2021.

Taylor, Orville, The Sexual Harassment Act, Council of Community Colleges in Jamaica, July 2022

Weaver, L. Workshop on "Introduction to Statistics using PSPP" for Excel-sior Community College Nursing Students via Zoom (November 16 & 23, 2021) (58 slides, 55 participants)

A number of colleagues also conducted seminars, webinars and workshops. We have had myriad presentations, interviews and articles in the media. These include, Georgia Rose, Rose Johnson, Sandra Latibeaudiere, Shauna Kay Burns, Caryl James, Herbert Gayle

Dr Herbert Gayle hosts, Power Talk (Monday and Tuesday 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM), Power 106 FM, RJR Communications Group, he also did 19 radio and television presentations of fatherhood for Father's Day. Between the period June 30 and July 13. Dr Gayle had discussions with the Foreign, Commonwealth, and Development Office about application of Theory of Change for Violence Reduction.

For the months of June to August: He did 8 presentations/Workshops on ACES (Adverse Childhood Experiences) and Character Education for the Ministry of Education and Youth. "How to establish the environment in which children can learn" (3 already done)

Dr Orville Taylor continues to write his weekly column in the Sunday Gleaner, engaging myriad subjects of public interest and policy. He also continues to do the Radio Jamaica 94FM Hotline Programme, which also engages public interest and policy.

### **Articles Published in Newspapers**

**Dr Orville Taylor published, 52 regular Columns in the Sunday Gleaner during the period**

Dr Michael Barnett published the following seven (7) articles:

Jamaica Observer, December 19, 2021, A Schizophrenic State of Existence  
Jamaica Observer, Feb 16, 2022. Losing Locks in Lock Up: The Curious Case of Nzinga King

Jamaica Observer, Feb 20, 2022. Unfettering Marcus Garvey: Making the case for Exoneration- Part-1

Jamaica Observer Feb 21, 2022. Unfettering Marcus Garvey: Making the case for Exoneration- Part-2

Jamaica Observer, March 22, 2022 – Taking Time Out to Reflect on Racial Discrimination

Jamaica Observer, April 5, 2022 – Royalty, Rastafari and Republicanism

Jamaica Observer, April 19, 2022.- Agitation for Reparation for the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade Should Never Cease

## **Department Seminar Coordination:**

The importance and benefits of being charitable, especially during a pandemic” by Ms Sandrina Davis - CEO, Grace & Staff Community Development Foundation and Fr Hayden Augustine — Missionaries of the Poor, Jamaica. “A perspective on transformational leadership” by Dr Christopher Tufton- Minister of Health & Wellness.

“Strategies to support the post- COVID-19 economic recovery in the Caricom Region” by speakers Drs Ian Durrant- Head, Office of Integrity, Compliance, and Accountability, (CDB) and Henry Mooney, Economics Advisor- The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB).

“Jamaica’s Energy Challenge: The Role of Policy and Regulations” by Mr. Philip Paulwell- CD, MP, Managing Director, Cite Consulting Services Limited.

## **Changes to Coordinators**

Dr Sharon Priestley replaces Dr Herbert Gayle as the Sociology Coordinator August 1, 2022.

## **School Engagement**

Dr Orville Beckford was part of the UWI Admission and Outreach Team that visits schools to inform them about UWI programmes 2012-Present; work continued online for AY 2020/2021

Dr Orville Beckford organized and presented free online workshops in CAPE Sociology, Management of Business and Caribbean Studies, at UWI for high schools students. This is in an effort to improve the quality of students coming into the sociology and other programmes at UWI Mona.

Ms Sandra Latibeaudiere represented FSS at virtual school visits on numerous occasions.

Dr Orville Taylor presented to the school leaving 5th and 6th formers at St Hilda’s High August 2021

# ACCESS

## STUDENTS

MSW Research Lecture Series, Writing Accountability Boot Camp. This series featured guest lectures presented by social work academics from regional and international institutions as well as the construction and management of a virtual space to encourage research-related writing. The lecture series exposed students to a range of substantive and methodological topics identified by students as areas of research and practice interest. The overall aim of these activities is to supplement the knowledge and skills gained from undertaking core research courses.

### **CASA Conference**

The Caribbean Sociological Association, partially anchored in the Department had its second conference; The Sociology of Crisis and the Crisis of Sociology, June 15-17, 2022.

## **REFEREED RESEARCH BASED SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS**

### **BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS**

- Barnett, M, Bonacci B, Macleod, Erin, 2021; "A 2020 Vision Perspective on the Rastafari Movement: Revisiting the Field and Taking Steps Forward" in IDEAZ Volume 15. .Kingston, Jamaica:. Arawak Publishers
- Gordon, Doreen. "Blackness and Social Mobility in Brazil: Contemporary Transformations." Palgrave MacMillan, March 2022.
- Mason, G.E. & Morgan, K.A.D. "An examination of the landscape of psychology in Jamaica". In Grant J. Rich & Neeta A. Ramkumar (Eds.), Psychology in Oceania and the Caribbean, Switzerland, Springer Publications, 2021; pp. 179-193.

### **EDITED COLLECTIONS**

- Rogers, T and Baker, PA (2021) Eds. Caribbean Journal of Social Work, Vol 14.

## **REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES**

- Elliott-Rattray, A. (2021) Cost of Professional Caring: Exploring Concepts Associated with Secondary Exposure to Trauma. Vol. 14: 81-90. Caribbean Journal of Social Work. Jamaica.

- Elliott-Rattray, A. (2021). She Is Still Mommy! An Autobiographical Account of Trauma and Resilience Caribbean. Quarterly, 67(4), 492-498. doi:10.1080/00086495.2021.1996036
- James Bateman, C., Bowie Dean, J., Coley, T., Abel W and Michelle, G (2022). Self-Regulation, Quality of Parental Relationship and Gender Differences on use of Marijuana and Alcohol by Jamaican adolescents. Caribbean Journal of Psychology [Accepted for Publication]
- Brown, R., James Bateman, C., & Williams-Grossell, M (2022). Influences of Jamaican Cultural and Religious Beliefs on Adherence to Pharmacotherapy for Non- Communicable Diseases: A Pharmacovigilance Perspective. Frontiers in Pharmacology. IF5.810
- James Bateman, C, Powell, M., & Harrison, A (2022). Body dissatisfaction, disordered eating behaviours and skin bleaching among Jamaican adolescent males. Caribbean Journal of Psychology. Caribbean Journal of Psychology [Accepted for publication].
- Latibeaudiere, S (2021). Caring for the deeply forgetful. Commentary on "Birdie" Caribbean Journal of Social Work, Volume 14, pp. 129 – 131. Kingston, Jamaica: Pear Tree Press.
- Latibeaudiere, S., Mariner, M. & Riley, M. (2021). Disability, social exclusion and health disparities in older adults: Social work intervention. National Association of Social Work (NASW)-New York City (NYC) Currents Newsletter. [https://cdn.ymaws.com/www.naswnyc.org/resource/resmgr/currents/2021/CURRENTS\\_FW\\_2021.pdf](https://cdn.ymaws.com/www.naswnyc.org/resource/resmgr/currents/2021/CURRENTS_FW_2021.pdf)
- Lee, K., S.R. Priestley, and K. Hylton. 2022. Mental Health and Behavioral Outcomes among Jamaican Women: The Role of Childhood Abuse & Witnessing Parental Violence, Children and Youth Services Review, 140, 106588
- Stubb, M., James Bateman, C., and Hull, D (2022). Problematic Internet Use among University Students. International Journal of Mental Addiction.
- <https://doi/10.1007/s11469-022-00782-5> IF 3.836
- Davis, J., James Bateman, C., Dunbar-Pearce, V., Harrison, A and Powell, M (2021). Exploring the impact of BMI on Body Dissatisfaction and Eating Behaviors among Caribbean University women. Psychology, Health and Medicine. <https://doi/full/10.1080/13548506.2021.1990365>. IF 2.423
- Hornbuckle, L.M., McLean Cooke, W., Rauer, A., & Barroso, C.S. (2022). African American couples' experiences during an exercise intervention interrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic: A qualitative case study.

International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health 19(4190), 1-14. <https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph19074190>

- Mason, G.E. (2021). "Jamaican adolescents and adolescent dating violence: Perpetration and victimisation experience and gender differences". *Journal of Caribbean Psychology*, 13(1), 79-108. <https://doi.org/10.37234/CJP.2021.1301.A003>
- Ricketts H. and Williams C. (2022). Household Food Security in Jamaica, in *Journal of the Caribbean Association of Professional Statisticians*, Volume 1, Issue 1, April 2022, Pages 28–43.
- Weaver, L., & Weaver, S. (2022). Nursing students' knowledge and attitudes to child abuse and neglect in Jamaica: A mixed methods study. *Caribbean Journal of Mixed Methods Research*, 2, 304-323. <https://reader.bookfusion.com/books/2209941-caribbean-journal-of-mixed-methods-research-volume-2-issue-1-article-11>
- Ricketts H. and Williams C. (2022). Household Food Security in Jamaica, in *Journal of the Caribbean Association of Professional Statisticians*, Volume 1, Issue 1, April 2022, Pages 28–43.
- Rogers, T (2021) "Social Work's Commitment to Change: Participatory Action Research as Practice with Marginalised Groups in the Caribbean", *Caribbean Journal of Social Work* Vol 14 pp 145-163 "Editorial: New Scholars, New Scholarship", *Caribbean Journal of Social Work* pp v-viii

## **PUBLICATIONS – NON-REFEREED**

Barnett, Michael, 7 Articles, The Jamaica Observer and the Gleaner  
Taylor, Orville, 52 Articles The Sunday Gleaner

## **Technical Reports**

- John-Aloye, S, Williams, C, Yee-Shui, M, Devonish, J.(2021), Review of Literature on Data Appreciation.
- Latibeaudiere, S. (2021). Enabling social workers to manage social cases: Medical Social Workers social cases training report. Commissioned by the Ministry of Health & Wellness (February - August 2021) (98 pages)
- Rogers, T. (2022) Trinidad and Tobago Central Registry on Gender Based Violence: Baseline Assessment Report. UN Spotlight Initiative/ United Nations Population Fund

# ALIGNMENT

## PAPERS PRESENTED

- Barnett, M. (April 14, 2021) – At the FSS @60 Symposium presented a paper entitled: "Remembering Professor Barry Chevannes Contribution to Rastafari Studies." (8 pages).
- Barnett, M. (May 31, 2021) – At the virtual CSA (Caribbean Studies Association) 2021 conference (45th Annual Conference) presented a paper entitled: "Rastafari and Cannabis in the Jamaican Context." (7 pages).
- Barnett, M. ( June 2, 2021) – At the virtual CSA (Caribbean Studies Association) 2021 conference (45th Annual Conference) presented a paper entitled: "Triumphs and Challenges of the Rastafari Movement in the Caribbean." (8 pages).
- March 25, 2022 – At the virtual Cultural Heritage and Slavery: Perspectives from the Caribbean Conference, (based from the Bonn Centre for Dependency and Slavery Studies), presented a paper entitled: "The Clarion Call of Rastafari for Reparations for the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade' (10 pages)..
- June 2, 2022 – At the virtual CSA (Caribbean Studies Association) 2022 Conference (organized by a secretariat) based in Jamaica), presented a paper entitled: "A Rastafari Critique of neo-liberalist policies in the Caribbean." (8 pages).
- Bateman James, C. (2022). Socio-historical factors and their role in Skin Bleaching and Disordered Eating Behaviours among Caribbean Males.
- International Association for Eating Disorder Professionals-IAEDP (34 Slides).
- Bateman James, C. (2021). A journey through time: body image, disordered eating behaviours and eating disorders in Jamaica. FSS @60 Symposium (15 Slides).
- Beckford, O. (June 21-22, 2022) Exploratory research into the impact of Community Colleges and other associated institutions on tertiary credentialing in Jamaica. Council of Community Colleges of Jamaica (CCCJ) conference. (17 pages)
- Beckford O. (June 2022) Improve quality of teaching in the Community Colleges. Paper presented at Community College Conference , Hilton Montego Bay.
- Bowie Dean, J. (August 13, 2021). Rape Myth Acceptance: Clinical Im-

plications for Psychologists. Invited Guest Speaker for Professional Development Seminar for Psychologists-in-Training (Online Presentation – 43 slides). Hosted by Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, USA

- Bowie Dean, J. (April 29, 2022). Emotional Wellness and Coping with Demands. Invited Guest Speaker for the National Commercial Bank's Employee Wellness Seminar (Online Presentation – 28 slides). Hosted by the National Commercial Bank Financial Group.
- Daley, C., & Weaver, L. "The effects of COVID-19 on UWI students: Undergraduate Students' Mental Health during the COVID-19 Pandemic" UWI Faculty of Social Sciences Research on the COVID-19 Pandemic Seminar. Jamaica (October 13, 2021) (33 slides, 82 participants)
- Elliott-Rattray, A. (February 1, 2022). Cost Of Professional Caring: Exploring Concepts Associated with Secondary Exposure to Trauma. Caribbean Journal of Social Work Webinar.
- Elliott-Rattray, A. (March 15, 2022). Cost Of Professional Caring: Exploring Concepts Associated with Secondary Exposure to Trauma. University of Guyana. Guest Lecture.
- Latibeaudiere, S. (December 5, 2021) How family caregivers of persons living with dementia experience grief and loss. Webinar presentation to social work students at Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University.
- Bailey, A., Pschetz, L., Wilson, M., Hubmann, M., Rankin, J., Johnson-Coke, Y., Enright, J., Jakubiak, S., Buchanan, L., Latibeaudiere, S., Morgan, E., Heneghan, M., & Lyew Ayee, P. (2022). Exploring notions of resilience and adaptability in the context of piloting a mobile app for risk awareness during covid-19. Paper presented at Information and Communication Technologies for Development: Freedom and Social Inclusion in a Connected World, 17th IFIP WG 9.4 International Conference on the Implications of Information and Digital Technologies for Development, ICT4D 2022, Virtual Event, May 25–27, 2022. Book series: IFIP Advances in Information and Communication Technology Volume Editors Yingqin Zheng, Pamela Abbott and Jose-Antonio Robles-Flores.
- Rogers, T., Rattray-Elliott, A., Langtiw-Lubin, C., Hinds-Heron, K. and Burns, S (2022, May 20). "Caribbean Women and the Sounds they make: Creating Narratives in the Absence of Dialogue: A Collaborative Autoethnography" Eighteenth International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry: Collaborative Futures in Qualitative Inquiry, Champaign-Illinois, US. (Oral Presentation)
- Rogers, T., Elliot-Rattray, A., Lubin Langtiw, C., Hinds-Heron, K., & Burns,

S. (May 2022). Caribbean Women and the Sounds they make - Creating Narrative in the Absence of Dialogue: A Collaborative Autoethnography. At the International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, Chicago, IL. (Online Presentation)

- Rogers, T. (2022, 11th July). "Power, Vulnerability, Privilege and Responsibility in Academia: An Arts-based Autoethnography" University of Kwa Zulu Natal, South Africa Research Colloquium (25 pages)
- Rogers, T. (2022, 19th July) "Stories, Conversations & Artifacts: Understanding ourselves as evidence" KwaZulu-Natal Social Work Veterans (KZNSOCWKVETS), South Africa (20 pages)
- Rogers, T. (2022, 26th July) "Building a Trauma-Informed Social Work Practice in Hospital Settings" Department of Health, KwaZulu Natal Provincial Forum, King Edward VIII Hospital, Durban, South Africa (Oral Presentation).
- Daley, C., & Weaver, L. "The effects of COVID-19 on UWI students: Undergraduate Students' Mental Health during the COVID-19 Pandemic" UWI Faculty of Social Sciences Research on the COVID-19 Pandemic Seminar. Jamaica (October 13, 2021) (33 slides, 82 participants)

## **PUBLIC SERVICE**

### **Elliott-Rattray, Arna**

- Member of the Non-Communicable Disease Alcohol Sub-committee of the Ministry of Health and Wellness
- Member, Jamaica Red Cross
- Member, Trauma Research Foundation
- Member, International Federation of Social Workers

### **Beckford, Orville**

- Member of the UWI Admission and Outreach Team that visits schools to inform them about UWI programmes 2012-Present; work continued online for AY 2020/2021
- Appointed by the Minister of Education, Chairman of the Council of Community Colleges of Jamaica (CCCJ) from 2020-2024
- Appointed Board member by the National Council on Education for Eltham High School in St Catherine from 2014-2017 and 2017-2020, 2021
- Chairman for Eltham High School Board – Academic Committee
- Deputy Chairman for the National Organization of Deported Migrants

(NODM) 2019

- Member of the St Catherine Red Cross
- Mona Social Services (MSS) Board
- MSS Scholarship Committee – Chairman

**Bowie Dean, J. (2021-2022)**

- Committee Member – The University Council of Jamaica – Graduate Standards for Psychology.
- Faculty of Social Sciences Graduate Sub-Committee
- Devonish, Julian
- Member of the Census 2021 Census Technical Steering Committee
- Trainer of Census takers and Census Supervisors for the 2022 Population and Housing Census of Jamaica.
- Reviewer of the Demographic Characteristics Chapter for the PIOJ's Survey of Living Conditions and Economic and Social Survey publications
- Member of the technical committee to develop a Multi-dimensional poverty index for Jamaica
- Member of the technical committee for the Jamaica Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS) 2022
- Reviewer for the Jamaica National Population and Sustainable Development Policy and the Programme of Action.
- Coordinator Population/Demography sub-unit in the Department

**Gayle, Herbert**

- Chairman, Fathers Incorporated
- Chairman, Children First Agency
- Commissioner, National Commission on Violence Prevention, Office of the Prime Minister
- Member, Character Education Taskforce Committee, Ministry of Education
- Member, USA Kingston Chapter, Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC)
- Member, Gender Advisory Council, Government of Jamaica

**Hinds-Heron, Kimberley**

- Board Member, Salvation Army School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
- External Examiner, Northern Caribbean University, Department of Behavioural and Social Sciences, Social Work Programme
- Member, Family Life Ministries – For The Children, Foster Parent Train-

ing Committee

- Member, Jamaica Red Cross

### **Gordon, Doreen**

- Steering Committee Member of the Sustainable Rural and Agricultural Research Network
- Chair of the Extraction Sub-Committee, Sustainable Rural and Agricultural **Research Network, SALISES,**
- Blue and John Crow Mountains Advisory Committee Member

### **James Bateman, Caryl**

- African American Eating Disorder Professionals and People of Colour (AAEDP-POC)
- 2019-present
- The Jamaica Psychological Society (JPS) 2008-Present

### **Mason, Gillian**

- Committee Member, Psychology Graduate Programmes' Standards Committee, The University Council of Jamaica

### **Priestley, Sharon**

- Board Member of the Jamaica Council for Persons with Disability
- Member of the Census 2022 Technical Oversight Committee
- Member of the Technical Review Committee for the 2022 Reproductive Health Survey
- Member of the Adolescent Reproductive Health Policy Working Group of the Ministry of Health
- Member of the Ethics Committee of the Research Department of the Ministry of National Security.
- Reviewer of the Demographic Characteristics Chapter for the PIOJ's Survey of Living Conditions and Economic and Social Survey publications
- Taylor, Orville
- Member National Commission on Parliamentary Dress Code
- Resource Personnel Sprintec Track Club
- Patron Taylor House, St Patrick's Primary
- Host Hotline on RJR94FM

# AGILITY

## INCOME GENERATION

John-Aloye, S- Population Data Appreciation consultancy UNFPA US\$28,000  
DISTINCTIONS, HONOURS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Dr Orville Taylor won the prestigious Press Association of Jamaica's (PAJ) Morris Cargill Award for Opinion Journalism. This is the second time he is winning this prize, having done so in 2014. He remains the only UWI academic in the history of the PAJ, to have received any award for public commentary.

**Dr Caryl James Bateman received the following awards:**

- Independent Publishers Book Award (IPBA) (2022)- Gold Medal in the psychology and mental health category for the book "Traditional and Western Medicine - Voices from Jamaican Psychiatric Patients".
- Under the Charn Award (2021)- All expense paid visiting Lecturer/Collaborator for internal exchange programme between FSS UWI and University of North Texas.

**Dr Wendy McLean Cooke**

- 2021: Maralee Garland Graduate Fellowship, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.
- 2021: Inez Lovelace and Lavera Lovelace McKennedy Scholarship, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.
- 2021: W.K. McClure Scholarship for the Study of World Affairs, University of Tennessee,
- Knoxville.

### **Congratulations**

The Department congratulates Dr Wendy Mclean who successfully defended her PhD in Child and Family Studies at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

She is also the recipient of a Graduate Certificate in Qualitative Research Methods in Education at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Dr Ayesha Facey was congratulated on her successful PhD Sociology oral defense: Thesis Title: Understanding High School Adolescent Girls' Sexual Risk-Taking Behaviours in Jamaica: A Multi-System Approach.

The Department congratulates Dr Doreen Gordon who, during her 2021-2022 sabbatical year, finalized the publication of her book, "Blackness and Social Mobility in Brazil: Contemporary Transformations," which was published by Palgrave MacMillan in March 2022.

Dr Doreen Gordon was also the recipient of a Writing Fellowship from the Johannesburg Institute of Advanced Study, unfortunately she was not able to participate in it because of the Omicron outbreak in South Africa in January/February 2022

### **Resignation**

The Department said goodbye to a few members of staff and we thank them for their service over the years and wish them all the best in their endeavours.

### **Condolences**

The Department offered condolences to the family of the late Dr John Maxwell. Dr Maxwell joined the Department in 1971 as a Lecturer and was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 1989. From 1993 -1994, and 1997-2000, he served as Head of Department before being named Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences.