

OLYMPIA ROSS DUHART

PROFESSOR OF LAW
NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY
SHEPARD BROAD COLLEGE OF LAW

EXPERIENCE

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, SHEPARD BROAD COLLEGE OF LAW, *Fort Lauderdale, FL*

Professor of Law	2011 – Present
Interim Dean	April 2025-Present
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Strategic Initiatives	2024-2025
Associate Dean for Faculty Development	2021-2024
Associate Dean for Faculty & Student Development	2017-2021
Director of Legal Research and Writing Program	2012 - 2021
Director of Faculty Development	2016 -2017
Associate Professor of Law	2009-2011
Assistant Professor of Law	2005 - 2009

- Dedicated to innovative, energetic, and engaged instruction that strives to shape competent, resourceful, and ethical law students. Primary teaching responsibilities are Constitutional Law, Constitutional Law II, Legal Research & Writing, and Current Constitutional Law Issues Seminar. Awarded tenure in 2018.
- As Director of Legal Research and Writing Program, developed a comprehensive student outreach initiative that supplements classroom instruction with engagement initiatives. The LRW Student Outreach Program offers special events on Writing & Wellness, Time Management, Professionalism and Oral Advocacy. The Program was awarded the American Bar Association’s E. Smythe Grambell Professional Award in 2021 and the Florida Bar Group Professionalism Award in 2020.
- Experience as Associate Dean of Faculty Development includes planning community forums, symposia, and hosting faculty “Write In” events to support scholarship. Other initiatives include organizing symposia, drafting newsletters on pedagogy, creating “Teaching Tips” workshops to support faculty teaching, with a special emphasis on online teaching methods and assessment. Also supporting faculty on media initiatives and service opportunities.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE SCHOOL OF LAW, *Irvine, CA*

Visiting Professor	Spring 2021
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Served as visiting professor online for first-year students in the nationally ranked lawyering skills program; taught research, writing and analysis in a second-semester class that emphasized persuasive writing and advocacy.

UNIVERSITAT DE BARCELONA, *Barcelona, Spain*

Visiting Associate Professor	Summer 2020
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Taught short course on American Constitutional Law online for students considering a dual degree program.

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, SHEPARD BROAD COLLEGE OF LAW, *Fort Lauderdale, FL*

Critical Skills Instructor

August 2004 – July 2005

Taught first year law students in an academic support/bar initiative program. Developed curriculum and led workshops. Coordinated the NSU Law mentor program and taught in 3L writing lab.

RUDEN MCCLOSKEY, *Fort Lauderdale, FL*

Associate

September 2003 – July 2004

Researched various issues, wrote memoranda of law, drafted pleadings, attended hearings, and assisted partners with trial preparation in the construction division of the litigation department.

Law Clerk/Summer Associate

May 2002 – April 2003

Wrote memoranda of law, researched legal issues, and assisted attorneys in the land use, litigation, and intellectual property departments.

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, SHEPARD BROAD COLLEGE OF LAW, *Fort Lauderdale, FL*

Faculty Research Assistant

January 2001 – May 2003

Conducted research for professors in Civil Procedure (Judge L. Tornquist), Media Law and Agency (Professor M. Richmond), Wills (Professor Rodriguez-Dod) and Health Law (Professor Friedland).

Teaching Assistant

August 2001 – May 2003

Reviewed coursework for Constitutional Law and Contracts as part of law school's academic resource program for first year law students. Designed teaching materials and tutored first year students.

FLORIDA INNOCENCE PROJECT, *Fort Lauderdale, FL*

Pro Bono Intern

August 2001 – May 2003

Researched case law, reviewed transcripts, conducted interviews, and assisted attorneys with post-conviction relief efforts.

MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL, *Parkland, FL*

Instructor, English Department

August 1994 – June 2000

Taught American Literature, Creative Writing and Advanced Writing Workshop to honors and gifted students. Also served as faculty advisor to student government and school literary magazine. Recognized as a Teacher of the Year by the student body.

FREELANCE JOURNALISM

Feature Writer

May 1991 – Present

Published in national magazines including Parenting and HealthQuest. Also published in on-line magazine Soloella.com, CluelessNoMore.com and The Defenders, the on-line site for the NAACP. Contributor to The Huffington Post, The New York Times, The Miami Herald and USA Today.

THE MIAMI HERALD, *Miami, FL*

Reporter

June 1989 -- August 1994

Staff writer for various communities including Liberty City, Overtown and unincorporated Dade County. Reported on municipal government, police, and school issues. Part of newsroom staff that received a Pulitzer Prize for coverage of Hurricane Andrew in Miami.

EDUCATION

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, SHEPARD BROAD LAW CENTER
Juris Doctor, *magna cum laude*

Fort Lauderdale, FL
May 2003

Honors: Goodwin Scholar (Merit Scholarship, full tuition)
Nova Law Review, Junior Staff Member, 2001-2002
Moot Court Honor Society, Semi-Finalist in First-Year Competition, 2000-2001
Runner Up, Best Oralist, Regional Frederick Douglass Moot Court Competition, 2003
Book Award, Lawyering Skills and Values II, Winter 2001
Book Award, Sales, Summer 2001
Book Award, Law & Literature, Fall 2002
Book Award, Media Law & Policy, Winter 2002

Activities: Competition Coordinator & Board of Editors, Moot Court Honor Society
Competitor, National Team, Moot Court Honor Society
Competitor, Evidence Team, Moot Court Honor Society
Competitor, National Frederick Douglass Moot Court Team
Member, Black Law Students Association

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI, Coral Gables, FL

Bachelor of Arts, *cum laude*

May 1989

Major: English
Minor: Communication

Honors: Golden Drum Scholar (Merit Scholarship, full tuition)

Activities: Editor and Columnist, The Miami Hurricane
Member, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority
Member, United Black Students

SELECTED BOOKS AND BOOK CHAPTERS

Demystifying the Lawyering Skills Classroom for First Generation Law Students: Classroom Strategies, in *FOSTERING FIRST GEN SUCCESS AND INCLUSION: A GUIDE FOR LAW SCHOOLS* (with Rachel Croskery-Roberts, Alison Mikkor & Sarah Berman) (Carolina Academic Press forthcoming 2025).

PERSUASIVE LEGAL WRITING: A STORYTELLING APPROACH (with Camille Campbell) (2d Edition Aspen 2024).

Kelo Rewritten, in *FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: REWRITTEN PROPERTY OPINIONS* (E. Rodriquez-Dod & Elena Marty-Nelson eds.) (Cambridge University Press 2021).

Pedagogical Methods in First-Year Courses, *THE LEGAL WRITING SOURCEBOOK* (with David Cleveland) (J. Lyn Entrikin ed., 3d ed. American Bar Association 2020).

Ensuring Quality Instruction, THE LEGAL WRITING SOURCEBOOK (with Kim D. Ricardo) (J. Lyn Entrikin ed., 3d ed. American Bar Association 2020).

SKILLS AND VALUES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW (with William Araiza, Thomas Baker and Steve Friedland) (LexisNexis 2013).

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS AND TRANSFORMATIVE LAW TEACHING: A CRITICAL READER (Member of Editorial Board for Society of American Law Teachers and Golden Gate University School of Law) (Carolina Academic Press 2011).

Legislation and Criminalization Impacting Renters Displaced By Katrina, LAW AND RECOVERY FROM DISASTER: HURRICANE KATRINA (Robin Paul Malloy ed., Ashgate Press 2009) (with Eloisa Rodriguez-Dod).

SCHOLARLY ARTICLES AND ESSAYS

Better Together: Building Community in the LRW Classroom, 68 St. Louis U. L.J. (2024).

Social Distancing as a Privilege: Assessing the Impact of Structural Disparities on the COVID-19 Crisis in the Black Community, 37 GA. ST. U. L. REV. 1306 (2021).

Advancing Technology and the Changing Conception of Human Rights, 55:2 GONZ. J. INT'L L. 331 (Symposium 2020) (with Steven I. Friedland).

Emotional Appraisals in the Wake of Hurricanes Harvey and Maria, 54 WAKE FOREST L. REV. 973 (2019).

The 'F' Word: The Top Five Complaints (and Solutions) About Formative Assessment, 67:2 J. LEGAL EDUC. 531 (Winter 2018).

Cash is King: How Market-Based Strategies Have Corrupted Classrooms and Criminal Courts in Post-Katrina New Orleans, 39 SEATTLE U. L. REV. 1199 (2016) (with Hugh Mundy).

The Call for Lawyers Committed to Social Justice to Champion Accessible Legal Services Through Innovative Legal Education, 16 NEV. L. J. 251 (2016) (with George Critchlow and Brooks Holland).

Introduction: With Every Curse There Comes a Wish: Legal Education in a Time of Change, 16 NEV. L.J. 143 (Symposium 2016) (with Ruben Garcia).

It's Not for a Grade: The Rewards and Risks of Low-Risk Assessment in the High-Stakes Law School Classroom, 7 ELON L. REV. 491 (2015).

Frederick Douglass on Shelby County, 17 Berkeley J. AFR.-AM. L. & POL'Y 141 (2015).

Introduction: Wounds of War: Meeting the Needs of Active-Duty Military Personnel and Veterans with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, 37 NOVA L. REV. 439 (Symposium 2013) (with Kathy Cerminara).

Improving Legal and Latino Education: Cluster Introduction - Education and Pedagogy - On Identity and Instruction, 48 CAL. W. L. REV. 453 (Symposium 2012).

PTSD and Women Warriors: Causes, Controls and a Congressional Cure, 18 CARDOZO J. LAW & GENDER 327 (2012).

OutCrit Jurisprudence and Soldier Suicides: An Anti-Subordination Analysis, 44 CREIGHTON L. REV. 883 (2011).

On Rothko and Writing, 35 NOVA L. REV. 513 (2011).

Improving the Odds of Government Accountability in the Disaster-Prone Era: Using the 9/11 Fund Factors to Remedy the Problem of Toxic Katrina Trailers, 24 J. LAND USE & ENVIRONMENTAL LAW 2 (2009).

Blowing the Lid Off: Expanding the Due Process Clause to Defend the Defenseless Against Hurricane Katrina, 13 TEX. WESLEYAN L. REV. 411 (Symposium 2007).

Evaluating Katrina: A Snapshot of Renters' Rights Following Disasters, 31 NOVA L. REV. 467 (2007) (with Eloisa Rodriguez-Dod).

Introduction for 10th Annual Leo Goodwin Lecture Series, Tilting the Scales: The Changing Roles of Women in the Law and Legal Practice, 31 NOVA L. REV. (2007) (with Stephanie Aleong and Linda Harrison).

Native Son's Defense: Bigger Thomas and Diminished Capacity, 49 HOWARD L. J. 61 (2005).

When Time Stands Still: An Argument for Restoring Public Figures to Private Status, Note, 27 NOVA L. REV. 365 (2002).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

There's a disconnect between Supreme Court's wishful thinking and the reality of racial barriers, The Miami Herald, July 4, 2023, <https://www.miamiherald.com/opinion/op-ed/article276962078.html>.

Will the Supreme Court end affirmative action in college admissions? It doesn't look good, USA Today, Oct. 31, 2022, <https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2022/10/31/affirmative-action-case-supreme-court-college-admissions-process/10614377002/>.

Race Still Matters in Educational Opportunity: The Supreme Court Should Not Pretend Otherwise, The Miami Herald, Oct. 30, 2022, <https://www.miamiherald.com/opinion/op-ed/article267995432.html>.

Why Hospitals Should Prioritize Cultural Competency, Harvard Business Review, May 26, 2017, <https://hbr.org/2017/05/why-more-hospitals-should-prioritize-cultural-competency..>

Prince: A Lifelong Rebel in Music, Style and Societal Expectations, The Huffington Post, April 17, 2016, https://www.huffpost.com/entry/prince-a-lifelong-rebel_b_9781980.

Paid Law School Externships Will Ruin the Experience, New York Times, Sept. 18, 2014, <http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2014/09/17/getting-pay-and-credit-for-a-legal-education/paid-law-school-externships-will-ruin-the-experience>.

SELECTED SPEAKING PRESENTATIONS

Actionable Advice for Course Planning, Teaching and Assessment: New Law Teachers Panel, AALS Conference, San Francisco, CA, Jan. 2025.

Assessing Learning to Achieve Student Competency, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Ft. Lauderdale, July 2024.

Foundations for Excellent Teaching, AALS Workshop for New Law Teachers, Washington, D.C., June 2024).

Keeping it All Together, AALS Workshop for New Law Teachers, Washington, D.C., June 2024).

Why Scholarship Matters, AALS Workshop for New Law Teachers, Washington, D.C., June 2023).

SFFA v. Harvard/UNC Race-Conscious Admissions Cases – What’s Next? SALT Teaching Conference, Loyola Chicago School of Law, Oct. 2022 (with William Adams, Tiffany Atkins, Steven Bender and Beto Juárez).

Critically Interrogating the Twin Promises of American Democracy: Politics, Economics, and the Struggle for Full Equality, Truth, Lies & the Law, University of Memphis School of Law, Online, Feb. 2022 (with Atiba Ellis and Priya Baskaran).

Teaching Through Crises, American Caribbean Law Institute Conference, Online, Nov. 2021 (with Martha DesVignes).

A Child Will Lead Them: Student Speech and the First Amendment, Lifelong Learning Institute, NSU, Sept. 2021 (with Jon Garon).

The Case for Cultural Competency: Navigating a Diverse Student Body, Faculty Training at Elon University School of Law, Greensboro, NC, Aug. 2019.

Teaching for Deep Learning: Helping Students Pass the Bar Exam Without "Teaching to the Test," Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, Boca Raton, FL, July 2019 (discussion group).

Teaching Fundamentals: Designing an Effective Core Law School Course, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, Boca Raton, FL, July 2019 (with Howard Katz and Patricia Perkins).

Moderator, Keep It Simple: Giving Feedback in Large Classes, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, Boca Raton, FL, July 2019.

Faculty Training on Teaching Methods and Active Teaching, Eugene Dupuch Law School, Nassau, Bahamas, July 2019 (Organizer and Presenter for Full-Day Workshop).

The Voice of the Dean and the Dean's Designee - The Difference Between Chatting, Talking, or Speaking, Associate Deans of Color Retreat, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, June 2019 (with Mario Barnes and Michele Alexandre).

Creating a Culture that Supports Teaching and Scholarship, ABA Associate Deans Conference, Chicago, IL, June 2019 (with Stuart Ford, Wendy-Adele Humphrey, Alicia Jackson and Debra Moss Vollweiler).

The Associate Deans' Guide to Finding Balance, ABA Associate Deans Conference, Chicago, IL, June 2019 (with Cindy Archer, Enrique Armijo and Alicia Jackson).

Sword and Shield: The Disruptive Impact of Technology on Human Rights, Gonzaga Law Human Rights Conference, Florence, Italy, June 2019 (with Steve Friedland).

Whipping Up Wellness: Promoting the Well-Being of LRW Faculty and Students for a Successful Program, ALWD Biennial Conference, Suffolk University School of Law, Boston, MA, May 2019.

The Risks and Reward of Academic Leadership, ALWD Leadership Academy, Suffolk University School of Law, Boston, MA, May 2019 (with Anthony Niedwiecki and Cindy Archer).

Emotional Appraisals in the Wake of Hurricanes Harvey and Maria, Cognitive Emotion and the Law Symposium, Wake Forest University School of Law, Winston-Salem, NC, Feb. 2019.

Building a Better Mentor: Creating High-Impact Mentoring Programs for Law Students of Color, Annual Meeting for the Association of American Law Schools, New Orleans, LA, Jan. 2019 (with Devon Carbado, Kim Chanbonpin, Ruben Garcia and Leila Abu-Orf).

First Generation Law Students: Challenges and Interventions, AccessLex Conference, Scottsdale, AZ, Nov. 2018 (with Sara Berman and Judge Mark Juhas).

Building a Better Pipeline: Starting Before Law School to Create a More Inclusive Profession, SALT Teaching Conference, Penn State Law, Oct. 2018 (with Andrea Curcio, Ryan Dooley, Rachel Patterson, Kellye Testy).

Promoting Success for First Generation Professionals and Other Similar Groups, SALT Teaching Conference, Penn State Law, Oct. 2018 (with Steve Friedland and Brooks Holland).

What Does ‘Good Teaching’ Mean in Different Contexts? Meeting of Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, Aug. 2018 (with Rory Bahadur, Susan Kuo and Laurie Zimet).

Connecting Learning with Deep Thinking: Moving Beyond the Shallows, Meeting of Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Ft. Lauderdale, FL Aug. 2018 (with Jill Barton, Mary Beth Beazley, Megan McAlpin, Rachel Smith, Carol Wallinger and Suzanne Rowe).

Complying with the New ABA Standards on Assessment and Feedback, Meeting of Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Ft. Lauderdale, FL Aug. 2018 (discussion group).

Narrative for Novices: Introducing Legal Storytelling Techniques to Today's Students, LWI Biennial Conference, Milwaukee, WI., July 2018 (with Camille Lamar).

The Published Article, from Start to Finish: LWI Scholarship Incubation Workshop, LWI Biennial Conference, Milwaukee, WI., July 2018 (facilitator with Katrina Lee).

Think Tank Participant, Design Thinking Workshop II, Elon University School of Law, Greensboro, NC, May 2018 (facilitated by Dawan Stanford and Steve Friedland).

Keynote Speaker, Naturalization Ceremony, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Oakland Park Field Office, FL, March 2018.

Maximize your Writing and Oral Advocacy Skills: Thoughts from Appellate Court Judges and Law Professors, Broward County Bar Association Appellate Section CLE Presentation, Davie, FL, March 2018 (with The Honorable Burton C. Conner, The Honorable Dorian K. Damoorgian, The Honorable Alan O. Forst and Heather Baxter).

Gender Equality & Sexual Orientation in the Legal Profession: A Panel Discussion, South Palm Beach County Bar Association Joint CLE Luncheon: Labor & Employment and Diversity & Inclusion Committees, Boca Raton, FL, March 2018 (with Pamela Guerrier and Donna Ballman).

Moderator, On the Front Line: The Role and Position of Clinical Faculty of Color in Challenging Times, AALS Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA., Jan. 2018.

“Soldier Suicides and OutCrit Jurisprudence: An Anti-Subordination Analysis, Class Crits X Conference, Tulane University School of Law, New Orleans, LA, Nov. 2017.

Character and the Classroom, Meeting of Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Boca Raton, FL, Aug. 2017 (with Scott Norberg, Robert Brain, Lindsey Gustafson, Wendy Humphrey, Suzanne Rowe and Elizabeth Usman).

Teaching Fundamentals II – Classroom Teaching, Meeting of Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Boca Raton, FL, Aug. 2107 (discussion group).

Pursuing Full Citizenship in the Legal Academy, Meeting of Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Boca Raton, FL, Aug. 2017 (with Kristen Tiscione, Lucy Jewel and Melissa H. Weresh and J. Lyn Entrikin).

GRIT in the LRW Classroom: Practices that Promote Passion and Perseverance, ALWD 2017 Conference, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, July 2017 (with Heather Baxter).

Keynote Speaker for Faculty Retreat, Where the Rubber Meets the Road: Formative Assessment and Active Teaching Methods in the Real World, North Carolina Central School of Law, Durham, NC, May 2017.

Think Tank Participant, Design Thinking Workshop, Elon University School of Law, Greensboro, NC, May 2017 (facilitated by Dawan Stanford and Steve Friedland).

Hotline Bling: Using Cellphones and Disco Balls to Engage LRW Students, Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ., March 2017 (with Hugh Mundy).

Moderator, Diversity and Law School Culture, AALS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA., Jan. 2017.

Important and Different Ways to Support Diversity in the Law School Classroom, SALT Teaching Conference, The John Marshall Law School, Chicago, IL., Sept. 2016 (with Steve Friedland, Brooks Holland and Ruben Garcia).

PROFESSIONAL NEWSLETTERS

Pandemic Bar Exam Challenges Exacerbate Barriers for First-Generation Law Students, RAISING THE BAR, VOL. 3, ISSUE 4, Fall 2020 at 3, <https://www.accesslex.org/resources/raising-the-bar-fall-2020>.

Love in the Time of Coronavirus, LWI LIVES “Shelter-in-Place Edition,” Aug. 2020, <https://www.lwionline.org/article/shelter-place-edition-multiple-authors>.

Creative Programming for LRW Complements Classroom and Builds Positive Relationships, THE SECOND DRAFT, Vol. 32, No. 1, Spring 2019, https://www.lwionline.org/system/files/2019-03/LWI_2019SecondDraft_SPRING-VOL32No1_FINAL_2_0.pdf.

Bringing Games into the Classroom as an Effective Teaching Tool, Newsletter, Association of American Law Schools Section on Teaching Methods, Fall 2016 at 5.

New Year’s Resolution: My Grading Goals, Micro-Essay, Newsletter, Association of American Law Schools Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research, Fall 2013,

The “Live Write” -- An Alternative Approach to the Scribe and PowerPoint Pit, THE LAW TEACHER (Spring 2009).

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Producer, *Women in the Law*

Released Fall 2016

Researched, wrote and conducted interviews for podcast mini-series examining gender bias in the legal profession. Served as producer on three units including:

“In the Media”

“Multiple Identities”

“Solutions”

Part of a six-part series available on iTunes and at Law Hub: <http://www.lstradio.com/women/>

“Women in the Legal Profession Share Challenges They Face”

Feb. 2017

Q & A with Scholastica Blog

<http://blog.scholasticahq.com/post/women-in-legal-profession-challenges-they-face/>

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

SOCIETY OF AMERICAN LAW TEACHERS

Co-President (with Allyson Gold)

Jan. 2022-2024

Co-President (with Ruben Garcia)

Jan. 2014-2016

Elected Member of Board of Governors

Jan. 2009 – Present

- Notable work includes leading amicus brief working groups for *SFFA v. Harvard* and *Fisher v. University of Texas*, organizing BA to JD pipeline efforts, and planning annual Cover workshops to address current legal issues impacting social justice. First woman in SALT’s 50-year history to serve twice as Co-President of this national organization.

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

SECTION OF LEGAL EDUCATION AND ADMISSION TO THE BAR

Site Inspector

(Chair) Spring 2025

Spring 2023

Spring 2020

Spring 2018

Spring 2017

SECTION OF LEGAL EDUCATION AND ADMISSIONS TO THE BAR

Fall 2015 – 2020

Appointed to Publications Committee

Executive Steering Committee for Third Edition of *Legal Writing Sourcebook*

ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS	Fall 2015 – Present
AALS Committee for Associate Deans for Academic Affairs and Research	
Committee Chair	Jan. 2023-Jan. 2024
Member	Jan. 2022-Present
AALS LWRR Committee on Diversity	Jan. 2020-2021
AALS Committee on the Recruitment and Retention of Minority Law Teachers & Students	
Committee Chair	Jan. 2017 – Jan. 2019
Member	Jan. 2015-Dec. 2017

LAW SCHOOL SERVICE

Accreditation Committee	Fall 2024-Present
Dean Search Committee	Feb. 2024-Sept. 2025
Appointments Committee (Chair)	Fall 2021-2024
Strategic Plan for Vision 2025	Fall 2020-2024
LRW Student Outreach Committee	Summer 2013 to 2024
Point person on Writing & Wellness Programming	
Faculty Development Committee	Fall 2015--2024
Committee Chair	Fall 2014-Spring 2015
“The Fire Next Time” Writing Competition Organizer	Fall 2020
MLK Letter-Writing Competition Organizer (with Michele Struffolino)	2016-2020
“Mindful Monday” Organizer (with Michele Struffolino)	Fall 2017-2020
Self-Study Committee	Fall 2015-Spring 2017
Editor-in-Chief	
Faculty Training Workshop	Summer 2016
International Consortium for Global Legal Education	
Lead Facilitator (with Catherine Arcabascio and Michael Dale)	
Master of Science in Law Curriculum Task Force	Fall 2015

Ad Hoc Committee on Tenure	Summer 2014
Law School Dean Search Committee	Fall 2013-Spring 2014
Faculty Development Committee (Co-Chair)	Fall 2013- Spring
2014 NSU- Internal Review Committee	Fall 2012
LSV Planning Committee for LWI-One Day	Fall 2012
Faculty Development Committee (Co-Chair)	Fall 2011-Spring 2012
Interface Committee (Co-Chair)	Fall 2010-Spring 2011
Moot Court Society (Coach, New York City Bar Association National Team)	Fall 2014
Moot Court Society (Coach, Internet and Technology Team)	Fall 2013
Moot Court Society (Coach, Tang Team)	Fall 2012
Moot Court Society (Coach, Civil Rights Team)	Fall 2009-Fall 2011
Strategic Planning, Chair for Strand Dedicated to Student Experience	Fall 2008-Spring 2009
Black Law Students Association (Moot Court Coach)	Fall 2008-Spring 2009
Appointments Committee	Fall 2006- Spring 2009
Goodwin Professor Organizer, Goodwin Symposium, (with linda harrison and Stephanie Aleong) “The Changing Roles of Women in the Law and Legal Practice”	Fall 2006

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Florida Humanities Member, Board of Directors	April 2022-Present
Organizer (with José Roberto (Beto) Juárez, Jr.) “Voting Rights Symposium: From Barriers to Ballots”	Feb. 2024
The Civics Center Volunteer in national voter registration and participation drive for young adults.	Sept. 2020 – Sept. 2022

Organizer (with Elena Marty-Nelson) “Left Out and Left Behind: A Discussion on Women of Color in the Legal Profession”	Oct. 2020
Organizer (with Elena Marty-Nelson) NSU Forum: “The Role of the Lawyer in Eradicating Racism: Rights, Responsibilities & Resilience”	June 2020
Guest Speaker, Quiet Waters Elementary School	Jan. 2019
Organizer (with Kara Stein) SALT/ACS Cover Workshop: “The Possibility and Potential of SCOTUS Reform” AALS Conference	Jan. 2019
Organizer (with Elena Marty-Nelson) NSU Forum: “Hate Speech and Our Community Response”	August 2017
Organizer (with Ruben Garcia) SALT Cover Workshop, “Race Matters: Creative Entry Points for Impacting Race on Campus Fordham Law School, NY	January 2016
Writing Instructor FLITE Taught creative writing and language arts to at-risk young adults in Broward’s dependency system.	August 2015 – May 2017
Committee Member 17th Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee “D” – The Florida Bar	Summer 2012 – November 2014
Organizer (with Kathy Cerminara) “Wounds of War: Meeting the Needs of Active Duty Personnel and Veterans with PTSD”	February 2013
Stephen R. Booher Inn of Court, Nova Law School Professor Liaison	Fall 2008—Spring 2011
Steering Committee, Third National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference	Fall 2010
Guest Speaker, Pompano Beach High School	Fall 2006 – May 2017
Florida Innocence Project	August 2004 – 2009
Organizer (with Charlene Smith) “Turning the Inside Out: A Conversation with George McGovern and John Anderson”	March 2009

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

Society of American Law Teachers Service Award	2024
Celebration of Black Excellence Award Presented by Florida Panthers	2024
Mary S. Lawrence Award from the Legal Writing Institute	2022
Finalist, Executive of the Year, for NSU Student Life Achievement Award	2022
Legacy Magazine Award -Top Black Educator of 2021	2021
NSU Stephanie Aleong Impact Award	2021
ALWD Service Award	2021
NSU Law Professor of the Year	2019
Finalist, Professor of the Year, for NSU Student Life Achievement Award	2019
National People of Color Service Award	2019
Finalist, Professor of the Year, for NSU Student Life Achievement Award	2017
Society of American Law Teachers Service Award	2016
Elon School of Law Professionalism Award for Women	2016
NSU Stephanie Aleong Impact Award	2014
Lawyers of Color 50 Under 50 List	2014
Legacy Miami Honoree: Recognized as one of South Florida's Top Black Educators	2013
NSU's Recipient for the Association of American Law Schools Award for Teaching	2012
Professor of the Year, NSU Law School (Student Bar Association Award)	2009
NSU's Recipient for the Association of American Law Schools Award for Teaching	2009

HONORS

American Bar Foundation Fellows	November 2023
Phi Kappa Phi Membership Honorary Induction	February 2020

BAR ADMISSIONS

The Florida Bar	Admitted September 2003
The Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States	Admitted November 2008

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