

Lisa K. Armstrong, MA
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Educational Background

- Ongoing* PhD Student, Applied Anthropology- Cultural, University of South Florida (Tampa) (2017- current) Dissertation Advisor Dr. Antoinette Jackson
- 2016 M.A., Liberal Arts -Africana Studies, University of South Florida (Tampa)- Thesis Advisor: Dr. Cheryl Rodriguez, Committee Members: Dr. Laurie Lahey and Dr. Daphne Thomas
- 2011 B.A., Psychology (minor in Women and Gender Studies), University of South Florida
- 2009 A.A., Liberal Arts, Hillsborough Community College

Publications

- 2019 “Eugenie” (Oral History as told to Lisa Armstrong - editing by Dr. Roberta Baer), *American Stories 2nd Edition* (Forthcoming)
- 2016 *Family Life in Carver City- Lincoln Gardens* (Thesis)

Awards, Grants, Scholarships, and Fellowship

- 2018 IBL Travel Scholarship
- 2018 Catherine and John Lott Brown Scholarship
- 2017 USF Student Government Travel Grant
- 2017 USF Department of Anthropology Graduate Fellowship
- 2017 Catherine and John Lott Brown Scholarship

Presentations & Posters

- 2019 Society for Applied Anthropology 79th Annual Meeting; Engaging in Turbulent Times, Portland, Oregon. Representation Matters: Shifting Paradigms in the Museum Field Panelist March 2019
- 2019 Institute on Black Life University of South Florida; Culture, Environment and Sustainability of African Diaspora Communities; (editing and poster production guidance and support by Dr. Elizabeth Bird- Courtesy Sulphur Spring Museum

and Heritage Center) Education in Spring Hill- Sulphur Springs, Tampa, Florida, Poster Presentation February 2019

- 2019 Collegium for African- American Research 13th Biennial International Conference. Resistance in Spring Hill, Tampa, Florida, Orlando, Florida, Florida Panelist January 2019
- 2018 American Anthropological Association 117th Annual Conference; Resistance, Resilience, Adaptations; San Jose, California, Race, Remembering and Resilience Panelist November 2018
- 2018 Association for the Study of African American Life and History Annual Conference; African Americans in Times of War, Indianapolis, Indiana, Chair and Panelist October 2018
- 2018 Sulphur Springs Museum and Heritage Center Juneteenth 2018, (editing and poster production guidance and support by Dr. Elizabeth Bird) Education in Spring Hill-Sulphur Springs, Tampa, Florida, Poster June 2018
- 2018 University of South Florida Heritage Research Lab, Sulphur Springs Heritage Project, (editing and poster production guidance and support by Dr. Elizabeth Bird) Education in Spring Hill- Sulphur Springs, Tampa, Florida, Poster June 2018
- 2017 Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora 9th Biennial Conference; Diaspora and Identity in a U.S. African American Context. Seville, Spain, Panelist November 2017
- 2017 Institute on Black Life University of South Florida; Family, Home and Community in Africa and the Diaspora, Tampa, Florida, Panelist February 2017
- 2014 Institute on Black Life, Race and Place; Cultural Landscapes of Black Life in America, Tampa, Florida, Panelist February 2014

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant @USF

- Spring 2019 Cultural Anthropology
- Fall 2018 Directed Internship Program
- Fall 2018 Introduction to Anthropology
- Fall 2018 Cultural Anthropology
- Summer 2018 Directed Internship Program
- Spring 2018 Cultural Anthropology
- Spring 2018 Cultural Theories
- Spring 2018 Course Designing Anthropology Internship (Director Dr. Dillon Mahoney)
- Fall 2017 Introduction to Anthropology

Research Experience

Aug 2017- May 2018 Museum Consultant, Sulphur Springs Museum and Heritage Center (USF Heritage Lab- Director Dr. Antoinette Jackson)
Jan 2018- May 2018 Kenya Field School Preliminary (Director Dr. Dillon Mahoney)
Jan 2018- May 2018 Empowering Refugee Program (Partnership- King High School ELL) (Dr. Dillon Mahoney)

Extra Training

2018 Heritage Concentration: Issues in Heritage Tourism, Critical Race, Oral History
2018 Adult Teaching and Learning Excellence- Preparing for College Teaching
2017 Teaching Assistant Training
2014 ***Study Abroad*** Language & Culture, Faculdade Social Da Bahia (FSBA), Salvador, Bahia, Brazil (May 2014) (Director Dr. Elizabeth Hordge-Freeman)

Research Interests

Qualitative Methods, Ethnographic Research Methods, Community, Family, Heritage, Tourism, Kinship, Stability, Sociocultural and Sociohistorical Anthropology, Migration, Refugee Resettlement, Education, Religion, Identity, Critical Race, Africa and African Diaspora, Women and Gender, Black Feminist Thought

Community Involvement/Outreach

June 2010- 2013 CEO, Director, Co-Founder, Sisters Achieving Success, Inc, -
Served as mentor and leading developing member on the board of this grassroots 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. S.A.S focused on girls and young women throughout the Tampa Bay Area. The organization provided relief to poor, distressed and the underprivileged; encouraged the advancement of education; lessened neighborhood tensions and combated community deterioration. This mentorship program worked closely with Tampa's inner-city youth. The organization partnered with several local community organizations making it possible for S.A.S. to collectively volunteer 1000s of community service hours. The organization fed hundreds, supported families, and facilitated workshops for families and our mentees. S.A.S. was a phenomenal experience and is a very strong representation of my abilities as a leader, my passion to create and contribute to change in our society.

Career Experience

Apr 2002- Aug 16 Economic Self Sufficiency Specialist, Department of Children & Families
The major duties in this position includes determining initial and ongoing eligibility for social service programs for the most vulnerable members of

the population in Florida. Processing each case requires the ability to professionally apply policy on a case by case basis. The process includes identifying and establishing overpayment and over-issuance claims, investigating inconsistent information for public assistance programs, and making appropriate referrals to community resources and providers. Individuals in this position become experts in prioritization, time management and organization to meet federal and state time standards. This position also includes various in-service training that improve customer relations and professional skills while promoting economic self-sufficiency. While in the position I have assisted in training new staff and assisting colleagues with best practices.

Professional Memberships

Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH)
Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD)
American Anthropological Association (AAA)
Association of Black Anthropologists (ABA)
Association of Feminist Anthropologists (AFA)
Society for Linguistic Anthropology (SLA)
Oral History Association (OHA)

Languages

English	Native Speaker
Spanish	Read
Portuguese	Read