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# Administrative Positions

Interim Associate Dean, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Justice. The Ohio State University. College of Arts and Sciences: August 2022-Present.

# Academic Positions

University Distinguished Scholar. The Ohio State University: April 2023 -Present Professor. The Ohio State University. Department of Sociology: May 2022 – Present.

Associate Professor. The Ohio State University. Department of Sociology: May 2010 – May 2022.

Assistant Professor. The Ohio State University. Department of Sociology: September 2004 –

April 2010.

# Education

Ph.D. University of Illinois at Chicago. Department of Sociology: August 2004.

M.A. University of Illinois at Chicago. Department of Sociology: July 2000.

B.S. Illinois Institute of Technology. Department of Civil Engineering: May 1994.

# Grants

## Awarded

The Ohio State University President's Research Excellence (PRE) Catalyst. “University Collaboration on Overcoming Attitudinal and Situational Barriers to Collaborative Initiatives to Advance Racial Equity: A Confluence of Dispute Process Design, Law & Social Science.” Principal Investigator: Sarah Coule; Co-Principal Investigators: Carl Smallwood, Tijs Van Maasakkers, Steve David, Tom Gregoire, Korie Little Edwards, William Froehlich, Lisa Durham, Amy Schmitz, Harley Etienne, Teri L. Murphy, Sooyeon Kang. January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2024. $199,995.00.

Lilly Endowment. “The Religious Leadership and Diversity Project” Principal Investigator:

Korie L. Edwards. November 2013 - December 2022. $493,101.

Ruth Landes Memorial Research Fund. “The Religious Leaders and Civic Activity in Ohio Project.” Principal Investigator: Korie L. Edwards. October 2012 - December 2016. $20,000.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. “Columbus Congregations for Healthy Youth.” Principal Investigator: Kenneth J. Steinman. Co-Principal Investigators: Townsand Price- Spratlen, Elizabeth Cooksey, Linda James Myers, and Korie L. Edwards. Funding from October 2003 - December 2007. $1,093,309.

Louisville Institute. “Racialized Realities: Understanding the Lives of Black, White, Hispanic, and Asian Youth in America.” Principal Investigators: Brad Christerson, Richard Flory, and Korie L. Edwards. January 2005 - April 2006. $36, 886.

# Other Research Projects

Collaboration Team Member. “Black Pastoral Leadership Collaboration.” Duke Divinity School: Office of Black Church Studies. Lead Investigator: David Emmanuel Goatley.

January 2021-Present.

Faculty Consultant. “Racism Rebuked and Reproduced in Church: How American

Gigachurches Responded to the Killing of George Floyd.” Louisville Institute. Principal Investigator: Lisa Pearce. May 2021-Present.

# Publications

## Books

Edwards, Korie Little and Rebecca Y. Kim. 2024. *Estranged Pioneers: Race, Faith and Leadership in a Diverse World*. New York, NY. Oxford University Press.

Edwards, Korie Little and Michelle Oyakawa. 2022. *Smart Suits, Tattered Boots: Black Ministers Mobilizing the Black Church in the Twenty-First Century.* New York: New York University Press. [Winner of the Distinguished Book Award, American Sociological Association, Sociology of Religion Section]

Christerson, Brad, Korie L. Edwards, and Richard Flory. 2010. *Growing Up in America: The Power of Race in the Lives of Teens.* Palo Alto: Stanford University Press. [Equal contributions: Authorship in alphabetical order].

Edwards, Korie L. 2008. *The Elusive Dream: The Power of Race in Interracial Churches*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Christerson, Brad, Korie L. Edwards, and Michael O. Emerson. 2005. *Against All Odds: The Struggle for Racial Integration in Religious Organizations*. New York: New York University Press. [Equal contributions: Authorship in alphabetical order].

## Articles and Chapters

Okuwobi, Oneya, Christopher W. Munn and Korie Little Edwards. [Accepted] “Trading on Diverse Relationships? The Process of Racialized Social Commodification.” *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*

Edwards, Korie Little. 2023. “Introduction: W.E.B. Du Bois: Religion and Social Inequality.”

*Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 0:1-4.

Edwards, Korie Little. 2022. “Viewing Civil Religion through a Black Feminist Lens.” Pages 95- 177 in *Civil Religion Today: Religion and the American Nation in the Twenty-First Century* edited by Rhys Williams, Raymond Haberski Jr., and Phillip Goff. New York: Oxford University Press.

Edwards, Korie L. 2019. “Deconstructing a Research Journey: Methods and Lessons of the Religious Leadership and Diversity Project.” *Sociology of Religion* 80: 415–434.

Edwards, Korie L. and Rebecca Kim. 2019. “Estranged Pioneers: The Case of African

American and Asian American Multiracial Church Pastors.” *Sociology of Religion* 80: 456–477.

Edwards, Korie L. and Kersten Bayt Priest. 2019. “Doing Identity: Power and the Reproduction of Collective Identity in Racially Diverse Congregations.” *Sociology of Religion* 80: 518–541.

Edwards, Korie L. 2019. “Presidential Address: Religion and Power—A Return to the Roots of

Social Scientific Scholarship.” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 58: 5-19.

Edwards, Korie L. 2016. “The Space Between: Exploring How Religious Leaders Reconcile Religion and Politics.” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 55: 271–287.

Edwards, Korie L. 2014. “Role Strain Theory and Understanding the Role of Head Clergy of Racially Diverse Churches.” *Sociology of Religion* 75 (1): 57-79.

Edwards, Korie L., Brad Christerson and Michael O. Emerson. 2013. “Race, Religious Organizations, and Integration.” *Annual Review of Sociology* 39: 211-228.

Edwards, Korie L. 2013. “Much Ado About Nothing? Rethinking the Efficacy of Multiracial Churches for Racial Reconciliation.” Pages 231-254 in *Christians and the Color Line: Race and Religion after Divided by Faith* edited by Rusty Hawkins and Phillip Sinitiere. New York: Oxford University Press.

Edwards, Korie L. and Brad Christerson. 2013. “Religion and America’s Urban Youth” in *Adolescent Development and School Achievement in Urban Communities: Resilience in the Neighborhood* edited by Gary Creasey and Patricia Jarvis. New York: Psychology Press.

Edwards, Korie L. 2009. “Race, Religion, and Worship: Are African-American Worship Practices Distinct?.” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 48:30-52.

Edwards, Korie L. 2009. “Home is Calling Me: Blacks, Religion, and Multiculturalism.” Pages 190-195 in *Family Affair: What It Means to be African-American Today* edited by Gil L. Robertson

IV. Chicago: Agate Publishing.

Edwards, Korie L. 2008. “Bringing Race to the Center: The Importance of Race in Interracial

Churches.” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 47:5-9.

Edwards, Korie L. 2008. “Religion and African-Americans.” Pages 1137-1139 in *Encyclopedia of Race, Ethnicity and Society* edited by Richard T. Schaefer. New York: Sage Publications.

Lewis, Amanda, Maria Krysan, Sharon Collins, Korie L. Edwards, and Geoff Ward. 2004. “Institutional Patterns and Transformations: Race and Ethnicity in Housing, Education, Labor Markets, Religion, and Criminal Justice.” Pages 66-119 in *The Changing Terrain of Race and Ethnicity* edited by Maria Krysan and Amanda Lewis. New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

Edwards, Korie L., Katrina M. Carter-Tellison, and Cedric Herring. 2004. “For Richer, For Poorer, Whether Dark or Light: Skin Tone, Marital Status, and Spouses’ Earnings.” Pages 65- 81 in *Skin Deep: How Race and Complexion Matter in the “Color-Blind” Era* edited by Cedric Herring, Verna Keith, and Hayward Derrick Horton. Chicago: University of Illinois Press.

## Other Publications

2012. Review of “Divine Callings: Understanding the Call to Ministry in Black Pentecostalism”

by Richard Pitt. *Sociology of Religion* 73: 345-346.

2011. “Dr. Cornel West Trips Over White Supremacy.” *The Griot: The Newsletter of the Association of Black Sociologists*. September Issue: Pages 15-19.

2007. Review of *A Mosaic of Believers: Diversity and Innovation in a Multiethnic Church* by Gerardo Marti. *Review of Religious Research* 48:327-328.

2006. Review of *Long March Ahead: African American Churches and Public Policy in Post-Civil Rights America* edited by R. Drew Smith. *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 104: 371 -372.

## Works in Progress

Little Edwards, Korie. “Clergy of Multiracial Churches in Post-Civil Rights Era.”

Pearce, Lisa and Korie Little Edwards. “Sunday Morning Social Constructions of Racial

Problems and Solutions.”

Okuwobi, Oneya F. and Korie Little Edwards. “’Keep Race on the Table’: Effective Leadership of Multiracial Organizations.”

Underwood, Josh, Ryan Goeckner, and Korie Little Edwards. “Racialized Perceptions of Authority in Multiracial Organizations.”

Edwards, Korie Little. “The Unscripted Role: Multiracial Church Clergy in the United States.”

# Presentations

## Presidential Address

Edwards, Korie L. “Religion and Power: A Return to the Roots of Social Scientific

Scholarship.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Las Vegas, NV: 2018.

## Invited Presentations

Little Edwards, Korie. “The Multiracial Church in Context.” Main Speaker. Vineyard Better

Together Conference. Columbus, OH. 2024.

Little Edwards, Korie. “Clergy and Racial Justice in a Diverse World.” Lecturer. Bouma

Lecture. Calvin University. Grand Rapids, MI. 2024.

Little Edwards, Korie. “Connecting Scholarship and Application: A Conversation Between Academics and Practitioners.” Presidential Panel. *Religious Research Association Annual Meeting*. Baltimore, MD. 2022.

Little Edwards, Korie. “Professional Development Panel: Publishing Articles.” Panelist. *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Baltimore, MD: 2022.

Little Edwards, Korie. “White Supremacy and Christianity Seminar.” New Life Fellowship

Church. Queens, NY: 2022.

Little Edwards, Korie. “Seeing with a Feminist Lens: Intersectionality, Positionality and Power.”

Panelist. *Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting*. Los Angeles, CA: 2022.

Little Edwards, Korie. “Raising the Visibility of the Sociology of Religion.” Panelist. Joint Session. *American Sociological Association and Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meetings*. Los Angeles, CA: 2022.

Edwards, Korie Little. “Black Religious Leaders and the Fine Line of Political Negotiation.” Joint Session. *American Sociological Association and Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meetings*. Los Angeles, CA: 2022.

Little Edwards, Korie. “Disentangling Culture, Ethnicity and Race.” Main Stage Speaker. *iSpectre Conference*. Palo Alto, CA: 2022.

Little Edwards, Korie. “Pastors, Race and Social Change.” Colloquium Speaker. University of Chicago, Martin Marty Center. Chicago, IL: 2022.

Little Edwards, Korie. “Faith Community Work, Racial Justice, and White Comfort.” Keynote Speaker. *A Common Good in a Divided: Racism, the Church, and the Challenge of Regional Solidarity Conference*. Dayton, OH: 2022

Edwards, Korie Little. “Author Meets Critics.” *The Company We Keep: Interracial Friendships and Romantic Relationships from Adolescence to Adulthood* by Grace Kao, Kara Joyner and Kelly Stamper Balistreri. *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. Virtual: 2021.

Edwards, Korie Little. “What Would Be Different? How a DuBoisian Vision Would Have Improved the Sociology of Religion.” Joint Session. *American Sociological Association and Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meetings*. Virtual: 2021.

Edwards, Korie Little. “Critical Race Theory.” Panelist. *Institute for the Study of the Black Christian Experience Dialogues.* Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary. Virtual: 2021.

Edwards, Korie Little. “Racial Reconciliation and the Church.” Featured Panelist. *Asbury Seminary Chapel*. Asbury Theological Seminary. Virtual: 2021.

Edwards, Korie Little. “Faithful Leadership: Race, Politics, and Evangelicalism in America.”

Panelist. *Council for Christian Colleges and Universities Conference*: Virtual**:** 2021.

Edwards, Korie Little. “The Importance of an Accurate Diagnosis: Disentangling Culture, Ethnicity and Race.” Main Speaker. *MIBF Culture and Community Lecture Series.* Virtual: 2020.

Edwards, Korie Little. “The Unscripted Role: Multiracial Church Clergy in the United States.” Speaker. *University of Notre Dame Sociology and Center for the Study of Religion and Society Colloquium Series*. South Bend, IN: 2020.

Edwards, Korie Little. “The Unscripted Role: Multiracial Church Clergy in the United States.”

Keynote Speaker. *Wheaton College Ivan Fahs Memorial Symposium*. Wheaton, IL: 2020.

Edwards, Korie L. “The Importance of an Accurate Diagnosis.” Keynote Speaker. *Delaware's 27th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast Celebration*. Delaware, OH: 2020.

Edwards, Korie L. “The Moment is Now.” Keynote Speaker. *Pursuing the Dream: Ohio Wesleyan University Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration.* Delaware, OH: 2020.

Edwards, Korie L. “Author Meets Critics.” Panelist. *Religion’s Relationship to Happiness, Civic Engagement and Health Around the World* by Conrad Hackett-Pew Research Center. *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* St. Louis, MO: 2019.

Edwards, Korie L. “The Importance of an Accurate Diagnosis: Disentangling Culture, Ethnicity and Race.” Keynote Speaker. Mosaix Conference. Dallas, TX: 2019.

Edwards, Korie L. “Estranged Pioneers: How Pastors of Color Navigate Heading Racially and

Ethnically Diverse Churches.” Workshop. Mosaix Conference. Dallas, TX: 2019.

Edwards, Korie L. “Estranged Pioneers: The Multiracial Church Pastor of Color in Context.” Keynote Speaker. *MIBF 2019 Fellowship – Theme: Race, Reconciliation, & Righteousness – A Kingdom Perspective*. Los Angeles, CA: 2019.

Edwards, Korie L. “The Importance of an Accurate Diagnosis: Disentangling Culture, Ethnicity

and Race.” Keynote Speaker at MIBF Conference. Los Angeles, CA: 2019.

Edwards, Korie L. “The Power of One.” Keynote Speaker at Just Gospel Conference. Atlanta, GA: 2019.

Edwards, Korie L. “Where are We? The State of Reconciliation in the Church.” Panelist. Just Gospel Conference. Atlanta, GA: 2019.

Edwards, Korie L. “Understanding Race, Ethnicity and Culture.” Keynote Speaker for *Cultural Diversity and Churches: Workshop for Church Leaders* hosted by the National Church Life Survey.

Sydney, AUS: 2018.

Edwards, Korie L. “Stressors and Strains of Diversity: The Case of U.S. Multiracial Church Pastors.” Keynote Speaker for the *Cultural Diversity and Churches: Research Colloquium* hosted by the National Church Life Survey*.* Sydney, AUS: 2018.

Edwards, Korie L. Discussant for “Intra- and Inter-Religious Divisions.” *Association for the Sociology of Religion and American Sociological Association Meetings*. Montreal, QC, CA: 2017.

Edwards, Korie L. “The Power of One.” Main Speaker at *Better Together Conference*. Evanston, IL: 2016.

Edwards, Korie L. “The Power of One.” Main Speaker at *Converge 214: Separate No More Conference*. Columbus, GA: 2016

Edwards, Korie L. “The Importance of an Accurate Diagnosis: Disentangling Culture, Ethnicity and Race.” Main Speaker at *Kainos Conference*: Memphis, TN: 2015.

Edwards, Korie L. “Embracing Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Church in the 21st Century.” Plenary Speaker for the *Tipple-Vosburgh Lecture Series* at Drew Theological School. Madison, NJ: 2013.

Edwards, Korie L. Panelist for “Building a Scholarly Life and Maintaining Work- Life Balance: Challenges and Strategies.” *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Boston, MA: 2013.

Edwards, Korie L. “Author Meets Critic.” Panelist for *When Diversity Drops: Race, Religion, and Affirmative Action in Higher Education*, by Julie J. Park*. Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Boston, MA: 2013.

Edwards, Korie L. Panelist. “Religious Practices and Social Inequality.” Joint Session. *American Sociological Association* and *Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meetings*. New York, NY: 2013.

Edwards, Korie L. “Author Meets Critic.” Panelist for *Blacks and Whites in Christian America: How Racial Discrimination Shapes Religious Convictions* by Jason Shelton and Michael O. Emerson. *Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting*. New York, NY: 2013.

Edwards, Korie L. “Belonging and Participation in America: Who Is In?” Panelist at the *Religion and American Culture Conference* at the Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis. Indianapolis, IN: 2013.

Edwards, Korie L. “Back to the Future: How Our Past and Present (Might) Predict the Future of Reconciliation.” Keynote Speaker at the *Bethel University Conference on Sociological Perspectives on Reconciliation*. Minneapolis, MN: 2013.

Edwards, Korie L. “Author Meets Critic.” Panelist for *Divine Callings: Understanding the*

*Call to Ministry in Black Pentecostalism* by Richard Pitt*. Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Phoenix, AZ: 2012.

Edwards, Korie L. Panelist. “What Junior Faculty Need to Know to Become Senior.” Panel at

the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Baltimore, MD: 2010.

Edwards, Korie L. “White Hegemony in Racially Diverse Religious Organizations.” Presentation for *The Power of Race in American Religion Workshop* at Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI: 2010.

Edwards, Korie L. “Lived Experience and Advice: Life as a New Assistant Professor.” Panelist for the *National Science Foundation’s Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate Program* at The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH: 2009.

Edwards, Korie L. “Reflections on the Role of Race in the 2008 Election.” Presentation for the Sociology and Anthropology Department’s *Butler A. Jones Lectureship on Race in Society* at Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH: 2008.

Edwards, Korie L. “The Face of Race in Interracial Churches.” Paper presented at the *Interdisciplinary Workshop on American Religion* at the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN: 2007.

Edwards, Korie L. “Negotiating the Job Market.” Panelist for the Sociology Department’s Colloquium Series at the University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL: 2006.

Edwards, Korie L. “Author Meets Critic.” Panelist for *A Mosaic of Believers: Diversity and Innovation in a Multiethnic Church* by Gerardo Marti*. Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Portland, OR: 2006.

Edwards, Korie L. “Building Interracial, Multicultural Religious Community.” Keynote Speaker at the *Unitarian Universalist Association General Assembly*, St. Louis, MO: 2006.

Steinman, Kenneth J., Ronald Ryles, Townsand Price-Spratlen, Korie L. Edwards, and Elizabeth Cooksey. “The Promise and Challenge of Interdisciplinary, Faith-Based Campus- Community Partnerships: The Experience of Columbus Congregations for Healthy Youth.” Paper presented at the *Outreach Scholarship Conference*. Columbus, OH: 2006.

Edwards, Korie L. “Beyond Segregation: Understanding How Interracial Churches Work.”

Presentation at *Judson Baptist Church*. Chicago, IL: 2004.

Edwards, Korie L. “Decently and In Order: Worship Style and Practices in an Interracial Church.” Paper presented for the Sociology Department’s Colloquium Series at the University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL: 2003.

## Peer Reviewed Presentations

Pearce, Lisa and Korie Little Edwards. “Sunday Morning Social Constructions of Racial Problems and Solutions” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Baltimore, MD: 2022.

Underwood, Josh and Korie Little Edwards. “Making Sense of Diversity: How Congregants of Color’s Use of Diversity Ideology Reproduces White Hegemony in the Multiracial Church.” *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Baltimore, MD: 2022.

Okuwobi, Oneya F., Christopher W. Munn and Korie Little Edwards, “Is Diversity Still Progress? The Process of Diversity Commodification in Interracial Organizations.” *Academy of Management Annual Meeting*. Virtual: 2020.

Okuwobi, Oneya F, Christopher W. Munn and Korie Little Edwards, “Is Diversity Still Progress? The Process of Diversity Commodification in Interracial Organizations.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. Virtual: 2020.

Okuwobi, Oneya, and Korie L. Edwards. “Multiracial Congregations and Imagining New Social Orders.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Las Vegas, NV: 2018.

Edwards, Korie L., Rebecca Kim, Kersten Bayt Priest, Oneya Okuwobi, and Christopher W. Munn. “A Collective Standpoint: The Value of Standpoint Theory for Team Research.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Las Vegas, NV: 2018.

Edwards, Korie L. and Andres Lazaro Lopez. “Do Catholic Priests Do It Better? Exploring Catholic Priests' Approaches to Racial and Ethnic Diversity.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Washington, DC: 2017.

Edwards, Korie L. and Rebecca Kim. “Race, Leadership, and the Church: Black and Asian Pastors Leading Multiracial Congregations in the United States.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Washington, DC: 2017.

Edwards, Korie L. “Stresses and Strains of Multiracial Church Pastors.” Paper presented at the

*Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Atlanta, GA: 2016.

Edwards, Korie L. and Rebecca Kim. “Racialized Tracks to Pastoral Leadership.” Paper

presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Atlanta, GA: 2016.

Edwards, Korie L. *“The Virtues and Challenges of Religious Space for People of Color in America.” American Sociological Association and Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meetings*. Seattle, WA: 2016

Edwards, Korie L. “The Black Protestant Ethic: Black Religious Leaders Explanations for Social Inequality” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Newport Beach: CA 2015.

Oyakawa, Michelle and Korie L. Edwards. “Black Pastors and Civic Engagement in Ohio: Civic Leaders' Perspectives.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Newport Beach: CA 2015.

Edwards, Korie. “Diamonds in the Rough: The Rewards and Challenges of Conducting National, Qualitative Research.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Newport Beach: CA 2015.

Edwards, Korie L. and Michelle Oyakawa. “Examining the Contemporary Structure of Black Religious Leader Non-Local Civic Engagement.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Indianapolis, IN: 2014.

Edwards, Korie L. “Black Religious Leaders on President Barack Obama in a Political

Battleground State.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.*

Boston, MA: 2013.

Edwards, Korie L. Discussant. “Race and Religion Intersections.” *American Sociological Association*. New York, NY: 2013.

Edwards, Korie L. “Makin’ It: The Role of Religion in the Lives of Urban African Americans.”

Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Phoenix, AZ: 2012.

Edwards, Korie L. Panelists. Edwards, Korie L. “Much A-Do About Nothing?: A Discussion of Multiracial Churches in American Race Relations.” Paper presented at the *Divide by Faith: A Decade Retrospective* Conference, Indiana Wesleyan University, Merrillville IN: 2010.

Christerson, Brad, Korie L. Edwards, and Richard Flory. “Race, Class, and Family Socialization in Adolescence.” Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.* San Francisco, CA: 2009.

Flory, Richard, Brad Christerson, and Korie L. Edwards. “God in Me, with Me or for Me: Race and Teens’ Views on Religion.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Louisville, KY: 2008.

Edwards, Korie L. “Left with Little Recourse: Gender Roles in African-American Churches.”

Paper presented at the *Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting.* New York, NY: 2007.

Edwards, Korie L. “Are African-American Worship Practices Distinct?” Paper presented at the

*American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.* New York, NY: 2007.

Steinman, Kenneth J., Elizabeth Cooksey, Townsand Price-Spratlen, Korie L. Edwards, and Linda James Myers. “Religiosity, Spirituality and Sexual Behavior among Black Church Youth.” Paper presented at the *Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association*, Boston, MA: 2006.

Edwards, Korie L. “Is Being Christian Enough? Exploring Identity in an Interracial Church.”

Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Portland, OR: 2006.

Steinman, Kenneth J., Elizabeth Cooksey, Townsand Price-Spratlen, Korie L. Edwards, and Linda James Myers. “Sexual Guilt among Religiously Active African-American Youth.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Portland, OR: 2006.

Steinman, Kenneth J., Khosi Kubeka, Elizabeth Cooksey, Townsand Price-Spratlen, Korie L. Edwards, and Linda James Myers. “Congregational Differences in Adolescent Religiosity and Positive Youth Development: Findings from Fourteen African-American Churches.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Portland, OR: 2006.

Edwards, Korie L., Linda James Myers, Kenneth J. Steinman, Townsand Price-Spratlen, Jovan Nicholas, and Jason Whitesel. “Conceptualizations of Religion and Spirituality among African- American Parents and Pastors and the Construction of Adolescent Attitudes and Behaviors.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Rochester, NY: 2005.

Christerson, Brad, Korie L. Edwards, and Richard Flory. “Racial Differences in Religious Participation Among Adolescents.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Rochester, NY: 2005.

Edwards, Korie L. “Exploring Racial Identity among African-American and White Interracial Church Attendees: Material for Cross-racial Bridging?” Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.* Philadelphia, PA: 2005.

Edwards, Korie L. “Exploring Racial Identity among African-American and White Interracial Church Attendees: Material for Cross-racial Bridging?” Paper presented at the *Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting.* Philadelphia, PA: 2005.

Steinman, Kenneth J., Townsand Price-Spratlen, Linda James Myers, Korie L. Edwards, and Elizabeth Cooksey. “Congregations, Universities and the Promise of Collaborative Research: The Example of Columbus Congregations for Healthy Youth.” Paper presented at the *Addiction and Spirituality: Scientific, Theological, & Clinical Perspectives Conference* sponsored by Fetzer Institute and Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN: 2005.

Edwards, Korie L. “Decently and In Order: Worship Style and Practices in an Interracial Church.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Kansas City, MO: 2004.

Christerson, Brad, Korie L. Edwards, and Michael O. Emerson. “Struggle for Racial Integration in Religious Organizations.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Norfolk, VA: 2003.

Edwards, Korie L., Katrina Carter, and Cedric Herring. “For Richer, For Poorer, Whether Dark or Light: Skin Tone, Self-Esteem and Spouses’ Earnings.” Paper presented at the *University of Illinois at Chicago Sociology Conference*, Chicago, IL: 2002.

Edwards, Korie L. “The Effects of Perceived Threat and Opportunities for Interracial Contact on Interracial Friendship.” Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.* Chicago, IL: 2002.

Edwards, Korie L. “Are Public Housing Residents the Catalyst for the Underclass?” Paper

presented at the *Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting.* Chicago, IL: 2002.

Edwards, Korie L. “African-Americans and Their Continuing Legacy of Activism and Protest.”

Paper presented at the *Third Annual Ethnography Conference*, Loyola University, Chicago, IL: 2001.

Herring, Cedric, Korie L. Edwards and Katrina Carter. “For Richer, For Poorer, Whether Dark or Light: Skin Tone, Self-Esteem and Spouses’ Earnings.” Paper presented at the *Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting.* Washington, D.C.: 2000.

# Professional Service

## Professional Organization Service

Distinguished Article Award Committee Chair. *Association for the Sociology of Religion*. 2021-2022.

Distinguished Article Award Committee Member. *Association for the Sociology of Religion*. 2020- 2021.

Distinguished Book Award Committee Member. *American Sociological Association*: Religion Section. 2020-2021.

Strategic Planning Committee Chair. *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.* 2018-2021. Past President. *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.* 2018-2019.

President. *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion*. 2017-2018.

Session Organizer. “Leadership, Diversity, and Imagining New Approaches: The Case of the Religious Leadership and Diversity.” *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Las Vegas, NV: 2018.

President-Elect. *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.* 2016-2017. Editorial Board Member. *American Sociological Review*. 2016-2018 Advisory Board Member. *Social Problems.* 2014-2016.

Editorial Board Member. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. 2011-2015.

Member. Oliver Cromwell Cox Article Award Committee. *American Sociological Association*, Racial and Ethnic Minorities section, 2013-2014.

Secretary. *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion*. 2010-2014.

Program Chair. *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Baltimore, MD: 2009-2010.

Co-Chair. Nominations Committee. *American Sociological Association*, Racial and Ethnic Minorities section, 2009-2010.

Member. Racial and Ethnic Minorities Section Council. *American Sociological Association*, 2008- 2011.

Member. Paper Award Committee. *American Sociological Association*, Sociology of Religion section, 2009-2009.

Member. Oliver Cromwell Cox Article Award Committee*. American Sociological Association*, Racial and Ethnic Minorities section, 2008-2009.

Presidential Plenary Panel Organizer. “How Religion Matters for Power: A Conversation with Religious Leaders.” *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.* Las Vegas, NV: 2018.

Session Organizer. “Religion, Race, Class and Family Life.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.* San Francisco, CA: 2009.

Chair. Student Paper Award Committee. *Association of Black Sociologists*, 2005-2008.

Session Organizer. “African-Americans and Religion in the Contemporary United States.”

*Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting.* New York, NY: 2007.

Session Organizer. “Student Paper Awards.” *Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting.* New York, NY: 2007.

Member. Membership Committee. *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 2004-2006. Session Organizer. “Student Paper Awards.” *Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting.*

Montreal, QC: 2006.

Presider. “Religion Roundtable.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.* Chicago, IL: 2002.

## University/Department Service

Member. Form/Huber Colloquium Series. 2020-2022 Member. Graduate Placement Committee. 2020-2021 Chair. Diversity and Inclusion Committee. 2019-2020 University Senator. 2016-2019

Member. Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility. 2016-2019 Member. Form/Huber Colloquium Series. 2017-2018

Chair. Diversity and Inclusion Committee. 2016-2018 Member. Social Stratification Search Committee. 2016-2017

Member. Computer/Laboratory and Website Update. 2015-2016

Member. Faculty Recruitment Committee. 2015-2016 Chair. Diversity and Inclusion Committee. 2013-2014 Member. Graduate Studies Committee. 2013-2014 Member. Faculty Recruitment Committee. 2012-2013 Member. Grade Grievance Committee. 2012-2013 Chair. Diversity and Inclusion Committee. 2011-2013 Chair. Spring Awards Luncheon Committee. 2011-2012 Member. Salary and Workload Committee. 2011-2012 Chair. Form/Huber Colloquium Series. 2010-2011

Co-Chair. Graduate Admissions Committee. 2010-2011 Member. Graduate Placement Committee. 2010-2011 Member. Salary and Workload Committee. 2009-2010 Member. Form/Huber Colloquium Series. 2009-2010 Co-Chair. Form/Huber Colloquium Series. 2008-2009 Member. Faculty Recruitment Committee. 2007-2008 Member. Form/Huber Colloquium Series. 2007-2008 Chair. Grade Grievance Committee. 2006-2007

Member. Instructional Development Committee. 2006-2007 Member. Executive Committee. 2005-2006

Member. Undergraduate Studies Committee. 2005-2006 Member. Graduate Studies Committee. 2004-2005

## Editorships

Editor-in-Chief. Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion. 2022-2026.

## Editorial Board Memberships

Editorial Board Member. American Sociological Review. 2016-2018. Advisory Board Member. Social Problems. 2014-2016.

Editorial Board Member. Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion. 2011-2015.

## Ad hoc Reviewer

American Sociological Review City and Community

Critical Research on Religion

Ethnoscapes: An Interdisciplinary Journal on Race and Ethnicity in the Global Context Gender and Society

Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion

Mobilization Qualitative Sociology Research on Aging

Review of Religious Research Social Forces

Social Problems Sociological Forum Sociological Quarterly

Sociology of Race and Ethnicity Sociology of Religion

# Other Professional Experience

Advisory Council Member. Exploring the Pandemic Impact on Congregations (EPIC): Innovation Amidst and Beyond COVID-19. Hartford Institute for Religion Research.

Visiting Scholar. Australian Catholic University and the National Church Life Survey. Sydney, NSW, AUS: March 2018.

# Teaching Experience

Introduction to Sociology Urban Social Problems

Honors Introduction to Sociology Race in Society

Qualitative Methodology Graduate Course Qualitative Design and Analysis Graduate Course Racial and Ethnic Differentiation Graduate Seminar Critical Whiteness Theory Graduate Seminar

Race, Ethnicity and Religion Graduate Seminar

# Media Engagement

## Podcast

Co-Host. *The Elusive Dream Podcast*. Available on Apple and Spotify.

## Television

Invited Guest. *Religion and Ethics Newsweekly*. PBS-TV. Producer: Marcia Henning. July 31, 2009. Originally aired December 20, 2008. Topic: Interracial Churches.

## Radio

Featured Expert. “Multiracial Congregations May Not Bridge Racial Divide.” *NPR All Things Considered*. July 2020 by Tom Gjelten.

Invited Guest. *Real Talk with Dr. David Anderson*. WAVA-FM Baltimore, MD. Originally aired July 14, 2020. Topic: *The Elusive Dream: The Power of Race in Interracial Churches.*

Featured Expert. “Megachurch Presence in Birmingham Schools Sparks Tension.” WBHM-FM Birmingham, AL September 20, 2019 by Sherrel Stewart.

Invited Guest. *The Michael Eric Dyson Show*. Public Radio WEAA-FM Baltimore, MD. Nationally syndicated. Originally aired July 19, 2010. Topic: Interracial Churches.

Invited Guest. *The John Hall and Kathy Emmons Show*. WORD-FM. Pittsburgh, PA. August 6, 2009: 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm. Topic: *African Americans and Christianity*.

Invited Guest. *The Reggie Bryant Show*. WURD-AM. Philadelphia, PA. September 15, 2008: 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm. Topic: *The Elusive Dream: The Power of Race in Interracial Churches*.

Invited Guest: *The Wilmer Leon Show*. Nationally syndicated satellite radio. September 13, 2008: 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm. Topic: *The Elusive Dream: The Power of Race in Interracial Churches*.

## News Articles

“Pastors Launch Church-Planting Network for ‘Black and Brown Neighborhoods’” *Christianity Today*. November 2020 by Kate Shellnut.

“Can Churches’ Focus on Race Move from Reconciliation to Justice?” *Religion News Service.* July 2020 by Adelle M. Banks.

“Multiracial Congregations May Not Bridge Racial Divide.” *npr.org.* July 2020 by Tom Gjelten.

“The Moment is Now.” *Ohio Wesleyan University News*. January 2020 by Cole Hatcher.

“Multiracial Churches Growing, but Challenging for Clergy of Color.” *Religion News Service* and

*Philadelphia Tribune*. January 19, 2020 by Adelle M. Banks.

“Linden Life Fellowship Aims to End Church Segregation.” T*he Columbus Dispatch*. January 19, 2020 by Maeve Walsh.

“Megachurch Presence in Birmingham Schools Sparks Tension.” WBHM.org. September 20,

2019 by Sherrel Stewart.

“What Is Biblical Preaching?: Multiethnic Culture and Preaching.” *Christianity Today: The Exchange Blog Forum.* December 31, 2018 by Bryan Lorrits.

“Ten Myths White People Believe About Racism.” *The Christian Century*. December 27, 2018 by Carolyn B. Helsel.

“Why do Some Evangelical Leaders Back Trump? Because It's Not About Faith.” *Religion News Service*. July 21, 2018 by Tobin Grant.

“Catholic Parishes Lead the Way as Multicultural Communities.” *Catholic Outlook*. April 12, 2018 by Joseph Younes.

“Billy Graham Helped Give White Evangelicals a Pass on Civil Rights, Scholars Say.” Religion

News Service and The Salt Lake Tribune. March 1, 2018 by Christine A. Scheller.

“Christ Community to Hold Conference on Unity in Diversity.” Ledger-Inquirer. April 1, 2016 by Larry Gierer.

“The Religious Right Made Peace with Trump – the Same Way Black Church Leaders Did with

Obama.” *Ohio State University News*. September 19, 2016.

“Churches Struggle to Meld Cultures in an Era of Diversity.” *Washington Post*. March 28, 2010 by Annie Gowan.

“Are Evangelicals Doing a Good Job at Racial Integration?” *Christianity Today*, February 25, 2010 by Ruth Moon.

# Honors

Lifetime Achievement Award. Tribal Collective (Diverse network of pastors committed to diversity and justice). 2023

Big Ten Academic Alliance-Academic Leadership Program Fellow. August 2023-May 2024

*Korie Little Edwards Research Grant* program. This grant is with the Sociology of Religion Section of the American Sociological Association. As advertised, the program “recogniz[es] her work in strengthening our understanding of the critical role religion plays in the reproduction of race and racial hierarchies in addition to her service to our scholarly community as the first woman of color to head one of the major social science religion associations. This research grant honors her contributions to the field and encourages scholars to make similarly significant contributions. The research grants will go to a racially or ethnically under-represented member of the Sociology of Religion section.”

# Other Experience

Civil Engineer. Illinois Department of Transportation, Schaumburg, IL: 1994 -1998.

# Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association Association for the Sociology of Religion Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Association of Black Sociologists