

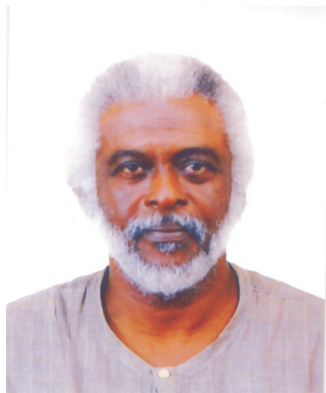
## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY, PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIAL WORK

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### WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT

The main focus of the Department of Sociology, Psychology and Social Work for the academic year 2008-09 was its preparation for and execution of the external quality assurance review coordinated by the Office of the Board for Undergraduate Studies. The Department conducted a comprehensive, internal self-study of its four Units (namely, Sociology, Psychology, Social Work and the Human Resource Development Graduate Programmes) and developed several recommendations for each Unit which were well received

by the external reviewers. The Psychology and Social Work Units were reviewed December 1-5, 2008 and the Sociology and Human Resource Development Graduate Programmes Unit during the period February 11-14, 2009. The Department subsequently conducted a retreat during the period May 21-22, 2009 to review the findings of the Review and develop action plans to guide the implementation of key recommendations.



The Department also strengthened its focus on Research during the year as several faculty members successfully acquired research grants while others embarked on major research projects. These reflected a wide range of areas including violence in intimate relationships, attitudes towards sexual activity of young children, drug abuse by University students, quality of life of sickle cell patients, social exclusion of the elderly, reintegration challenges faced by deportees and the impact of the world economic recession on Jamaica.

## **Preparation of a Distinctive UWI Graduate – Initiatives and Achievements of Graduates**

The Department introduced its new Social Work First Year Experience to provide first year students with learning opportunities and experiences that will enable them to develop core competencies essential for the practice of professional social work. The main component of the initiative is a year-long course SOWK 1006, Social Work First Year Practicum which is designed to facilitate a high level of participation by students, experiential learning, raising critical self-awareness and self analysis. In addition, it provides opportunities for innovative, creative thinking and for socially and culturally responsive problem solving. The expected outcome is for student transformation into lifelong learners, equipped to face the challenges of an Information Age and a Knowledge Society. The first year of this initiative was very successful and students' feedback indicated that they had gained tremendously from the experience.

Professor Anderson, Dr. Herbert Gayle and Mr. Andrew Grant led the development of a new year-long graduate research course, utilizing Mixed Methods, which provides an alternative to the traditional MSc Sociology Research requirement. This new course represents the culmination of an initiative started four years ago to strengthen the social policy analysis and field research capabilities of our students, and will be offered in the upcoming academic year. The Capstone Research Course and the Social Assessment Course started in 2006 and 2007 respectively are both year-long research courses which require students to undertake a major research project, involving months of fieldwork, to examine a critical social problem/issue and to formulate policy relevant recommendations.

The Psychology Unit has implemented a successful special orientation for Psychology Majors which involve a series of integrative seminars to support student development at each stage of the degree programme. The Unit also developed a tutorial feedback programme to support teaching delivery.

During the year, the Caribbean Internship Project (CIP) expanded its reach to more territories in the region by assigning 31 interns between January to July 2009 throughout the Eastern Caribbean, Jamaica, Belize and Guyana. Interns were drawn primarily from the Faculties of Social Sciences and Humanities and Education at the University of the West Indies, Mona. In recent years, students from St. Augustine and Cave

Hill campuses as well as the University of Guyana, have also been involved in the CIP. This programme provides invaluable hands-on learning experiences and employment opportunities which broaden the skill sets of our graduates and increase the value of the University experience.

The CIP is supported by the Department's Centre for Population, Community and Social Change (CPCSC) although the Bernard van Leer Foundation has historically provided most of the funding. In 2009 the Foundation committed a further US \$445,421 to support project activities between 2009 and 2011. The Department of Sociology, Psychology and Social Work funded the salary of the project coordinator, Mrs. Aldene Shillingford, part-time lecturer in the Social Work Unit, and shared the cost of supporting 4 internships. The programme also received funding support this year from the Faculty of Social Sciences, and the Principal's Office at UWI St. Augustine campus for five internships and for a liaison officer. The Cave Hill Campus has agreed for a staff member to act as a liaison person for the CIP in Barbados, and they expect to offer counterpart funding in 2010. Regional Government agencies in Dominica and St. Lucia have also provided counterpart funding for interns serving the Welfare Division and the Human Services respectively in these countries. In St. Lucia, the Ministry of Health, Wellness, Family Affairs, National Mobilization and Gender Relations were so impressed with the internship of Ms. Shauna Porter, a MSc Psychology graduate, they offered her a one-year, full-time contract with the Ministry.

This was not the only notable accomplishment of our students as Ms. Alecia Derby, a final year Social Work BSc student, was awarded a Canadian government funded scholarship to spend her final semester in the social work programme at Ryerson University in Toronto, Canada. Ms. Kristy Ramkissoon, a psychology undergraduate was selected as valedictorian for the UWI Graduation ceremony in 2008.

### **Improvements in Graduate Studies and Notable Accomplishments of Graduates**

The Department implemented a new system to improve the service offered to graduate students. One member of the administrative staff has been dedicated to monitor all graduate student matters and four Faculty members in the Sociology Unit have been assigned as coordinators of the Social Policy, Sociology, Anthropology and

Demography MSc programmes. In addition a Faculty member has been assigned the role of mentor for graduate students in the Sociology Unit.

Several of our MSc graduates received full scholarships/fellowships to pursue doctoral studies overseas. Mrs. Valerie Thompson-Ebanks begun her PhD in September 2008 at the Colorado State University, School of Social Work and Ms. Samantha John, (finalizing M.Sc. Demography student) and Mr. Larry Gibbs (MSc Demography graduate), will begin PhD programmes at the University of Texas and Bowling Green State University in Ohio respectively this September 2009.

Ms. Taneisha Burke, a recent MSc Applied Psychology graduate was selected by the US Embassy to represent Jamaica at the Vital Voices Annual Women's Leadership Summit for Latin America and the Caribbean in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 2008. Ms. Burke is the CEO of Preston Childcare Services, which provides in-house baby-sitting and tutoring services by trained University students and Early Childhood Education specialists. Ms. Burke is also author of *Raising the Next Barack Obama* (2009) and has contributed several features on parenting to the *Gleaner* newspaper. Ms. Caryl James, another of our MSc graduates, completed her PhD in Clinical Psychology in the programme coordinated with the Department of Psychiatry, here at UWI, Mona in July 2009 and will begin teaching for the Western Jamaica Campus in September. Mrs. Alva-Marie Graham, a recent MSW graduate was featured in the *Sunday Gleaner*, (November 9, 2008), for her work as the Women's Research and Outreach Centre's (WROC) Community Capacity Building Manager, and Programme Coordinator for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) violence reduction and sustainable development initiative.

Ms. Carole Mitchell, lecturer and PhD candidate is completing research as part of the second phase of a research fellowship she received from the University of Toronto in Canada in collaboration with the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) and Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD). Patrice Reid, MSc graduate and Teaching Assistant in the Psychology Unit, is currently on a three-month research fellowship at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) in Canada to participate in research on substance use within the Caribbean.

## Staff Research Fellowships

Dr. Tracy McFarlane left in August 2009 to take up a two-year Post Doctoral Research Fellowship in Psychiatric Epidemiology at the Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University while Dr. Stacy-Brodie Walker will be leaving in September to take up a one-year post-doctoral fellowship at the Renfrew Centre in Florida to study the treatment of eating disorders. Dr. Rose Johnson had her Campus Research Fellowship extended for the 2008-09 academic year. Dr. Johnson's study sought to assess the *Efficacy of Neuro-Linguistic Programming in Addressing the Academic, Behavioural, and Emotional Needs of At Risk Children* and was funded in part by the Grace Kennedy Foundation. The project also received support from the Ministry of Education's Student Empowerment Programme and the Department of Educational Studies at UWI, Mona. Mrs. Karlene Boyce completed her two-year Fellowship on July 31, 2009. Her study was entitled *Learning Through Field Education and during her fellowship she produced an Undergraduate and Graduate Training Manual for Field Educators and a Curriculum for Training Field Educators*. Dr. Claudette Crawford-Brown has completed work on her book *Children in the Line of Fire* arising from her two-year research fellowship on the impact on violence on children in Jamaica completed in August 2008. She is in the process of designing a training program for schools and communities in collaboration with UNICEF to enable parents and teachers to implement effective social interventions to assist these traumatized, at-risk children.

## Departmental Conferences/Seminars

The Department held its 13th annual Derek Gordon Research Seminar on Thursday April 16, 2009 under the theme **Exploring the critical Social Issues Facing The Nation: Education, Health and the Impact of Crime and Violence**" at the Mona Visitors Lodge. The Derek Gordon Seminar showcases the research of the Department's graduate students and this year's seminar was well attended.

The Department held its 8th annual Psychology Conference from March 11-13, 2009 under the theme **"Psychology of Caribbean People: At Home and Abroad"**. Over twenty researchers from the Caribbean and the United States made presentations including several students from the U.W.I. Mona psychology programme. The conference's organizing committee was chaired by Dr. Gillian Mason and the special guest speakers included Professor Emerita Elsa

Leo-Rhynie, Dr. Michael Lambert (North Carolina) and Professor Sharon Gopaul-McNicol (Trinidad & Tobago).

The Department held its second Anthropology Day under the theme **Fi Wi Anthropology**, on Friday March 20, 2009 at the Undercroft. The event examined the ways in which anthropology can provide insight into issues, both contemporary and historical, that affect Jamaicans both at home and abroad. Presenters included not only social and cultural anthropologists and past and present anthropology students, but researchers from the other branches of anthropology such as sociolinguistics and archaeology, as well as those from outside the discipline who have found anthropology useful in their work. The Department made a special presentation of a new computer to Bishop Rhudd in appreciation of the contribution he has made to anthropology over the years by opening his Revival church in Hermitage to students in SY36C (Caribbean Culture).

### **Transforming the Administrative Culture and Cost Containment**

Mr. Franklyn Wapp, Office Manager, attended the Association of Caribbean Administrator's Conference held July 4-12 in Trinidad while some of our administrative staff participated in Customer Service training during the year. The Department's efforts to transform the organizational culture have been reflected in the steady improvements in its scores in the periodic Customer Service surveys conducted by the University. The Department has made a deep cut to its part-time teaching staff in order to contain costs in light of the budgetary constraints facing UWI. In addition it has used funds generated by its HRD Masters Programme to assist with Departmental budget shortfalls.

### **Staff Service and Unit Developments**

Dr. Heather Ricketts was invited to be a member of the Planning Institute of Jamaica's team for the Study Tour of social protection and social assistance systems/programmes of Ontario, Canada during the period July 13 to 17, 2009. Dr. Moji Anderson, anthropology lecturer has been contracted by the National HIV/AIDS Programme in the Ministry of Health to conduct research and design an HIV Prevention Intervention for Men Who Have Sex with Men (MSM) based on the findings on the study.

Professor Patricia Anderson and Dr. Heather Ricketts in collaboration with the Social Work Unit converted the Minor in Social Policy and Administration to a Minor in Social Policy and Development. This new minor was approved for introduction in the academic year 2009-2010.

The Department will also be introducing Disability Studies (SOWK 2107), a course which was adopted from UWI, St. Augustine in the first Semester of the upcoming academic year.

Dr. Dennis Edwards, Psychology Unit Head, was invited to visit the neuropsychology laboratories at Yale University and the University of Pennsylvania Hospitals as well as the Einstein Moss Rehabilitation Hospital in the United States. These visits occurred during the period July 9-10, 2009 and July 20-31, 2009 respectively. He was also invited by the Jamaican Ministry of Education to be a part of a small team to the United Kingdom to visit various conduct disorder youth programmes during the period June 17 -26, 2009. Dr. Edwards has been assisting the Ministry of Education (MOE) in its effort to set up behavioural programmes in Jamaica and a therapeutic, residential facility for students with severe conduct disorder problems. This UK visit was facilitated through the MOE's ***Programme for Alternative Students Support (PASS)*** which was started by Dr. Edwards in 2001.

The Psychology Unit has also been involved in a range of outreach activities, the most recent of which was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Mustard Seed Communities (MSC). Under the MOU the Psychology Unit will provide expertise in diagnostic assessment of residents, therapeutic interventions for residents and staff training and development. The MSc Clinical Psychology Students, supervised by Dr. Dennis Edwards, responded to the needs of the Mustard Seed Community at Sophie's Place by providing supportive counseling, toys and care packages after the flood rains that took the lives of 3 residents. The Unit also provided psychological testing of the cognitive and emotional status of the children and young adults who are resident at the New Jerusalem Facility in Spanish Town during the year.

Drs. Edwards and Brodie-Walker continued to provide guidance to the Mustard Seed Community in the building and implementation of their residential vocational facility for persons with disabilities. Further in this effort, a donation of 600 table utensils, clothes and other items is being prepared to be shipped from contributors in the USA. This



donation is courtesy of the Saints Memorial Baptist Church of Philadelphia with the Psychology Unit serving as contact and facilitator.

In January 2009, Dr. Peta-Anne Baker, Social Work Unit Coordinator visited the **University of Belize** to promote the Master of Social Work programme. In March 2009 faculty and students from the Unit participated in the observation of **World Social Work Day** hosted this year by Northern Caribbean University (NCU). The UWI Mona Social Work Students Association mounted a display about the programme at UWI and several faculty members: Dr. Peta-Anne Baker, Mr. Horace Levy, Dr. John Maxwell (former Head of Department) and Mrs. Aldene Shillingford made presentations and conducted workshops. The Moneague College in St Ann began offering Level 1 of the BSc (Social Work Special) in September 2008. Approximately fifteen students were accepted into the programme at the College.

A group of Social Work and Social Policy MSc students from the Mona and Cave Hill campuses spent the week of April 5-11 on a study tour in New York City and Hartford, CT in the USA as part of a course on Methods of Policy Practice.

In addition to participating in the External Quality Assurance Review the HRD Graduate Programmes Unit focused on working with the first cohort of students registered for the doctoral programme in Organisational Behaviour. The comprehensive examinations for four doctoral students were held during April. In addition, a Research Seminar was held to present the initial work of the Cohort in relation to the development of their dissertation proposals. The Unit was fortunate to have attracted several academics from within the Department, from the wider Faculty of Social Sciences, the University of Technology, Dr. Howard Kea, a consultant from NASA, and Professor Susan Miller, Head of the Hull Business School, to assist with these endeavours. The other two programmes offered by the University through the Unit, the Masters in Human Resource Development and the Higher Degrees Diploma in Human Resource Development, enrolled their eleventh and second cohorts respectively during the year. The Unit is now examining the possibility of offering the MSc and Diploma in HRD in the Western Jamaica Campus in May 2010.

Demographer Professor Chukwudum Uche assisted by two Demography graduate students, Ms. Jacqueline Small and Ms. Samantha John, facilitated the Fourth CARICOM Regional Workshop on Demographic Analysis at SALISES, UWI, St. Augustine Campus



from June 8 – July 24, 2009. Dr. Godfrey St. Bernard of the St. Augustine Campus was a co-facilitator. This training programme has been funded for four consecutive years by the Caribbean Development Bank and the CARICOM secretariat and this year 17 middle-level and senior officials from National Statistical Offices from the CARICOM region were trained.

Three faculty members organised panels for this year's Caribbean Studies Association's XXXIV Conference in Kingston held June 1-5, 2009. Professor Uche organised a panel on the "Quality of Life of the Elderly in the Caribbean Region", Ms. Marina Ramkissoon organised a panel on "Theorizing race and ethnicity: Sociological and Social psychological considerations of the Caribbean and American contexts" and Professor Headley organised a panel on "The Caribbean's Deportation Phenomenon".

## **PAPERS PRESENTED**

### **Anderson, Moji**

- (with Elam, G., Gerver, S., Solarin, I., Fenton, K., Easterbrook, P.). Liminal Identities: Caribbean men who have sex with men in London, UK. Caribbean Studies Association, Kingston, Jamaica, June 1-5, 2009.
- (with Solarin, I., Elam, G., Gerver, S., Fenton, K., Easterbrook, P.) (2009). Condom Use Decision-making By HIV+Black Caribbeans Before And After Diagnosis. International Society for Sexually Transmitted Disease Research/British Association for Sexual Health and HIV, London, UK, June 28 – July 1, 2009.

### **Anderson, Patricia**

- "Respecting Independence but Wanting Compliance: Cultural Prescriptions that Shape Male Perceptions of Women in Jamaica" Conference on Gender and Caribbean Society. Center for Gender Studies, UWI, November 2008.
- (with Williams, C.). "The Conversation between Statistics and Social Policy: When We Listen, When We Don't". Planning

Institute of Jamaica's Dialogue for Development, December 2008, Kingston.

- "Measuring Masculinity in an Afro-Caribbean Context", 103rd Annual American Sociological Association (ASA) Conference, Boston, USA, August 1-4, 2008.

### **Bailey, Arlene**

- Issues Influencing Telecentre Usage in Developing Contexts, Caribbean Studies Association Conference (CSA) 2009, June 1-5, Kingston, Jamaica. (2009)
- (with Ngwenyama, O.) (2009) ICTs in support of Local Content Creation: Creativity and Innovation at Telecentres in Jamaica, Caribbean Regional International Telecommunications Society (ITS) Conference, June 23-26, Montego Bay, Jamaica. (2009).
- (with Kirton, C.). Regional Agricultural Networking in the Caribbean, Symposium on Caribbean Agriculture and Food in a Changing Global Context, March 3, UWI, Kingston, Jamaica. (2009).
- (with Kirton, C.). Regional Agricultural Networking in the Caribbean, Food Security and Agricultural Development in the Americas Conference, July 29-30, UWI, Kingston, Jamaica. (2009).

### **Baker, Peta-Anne**

- "The role & meaning of social work and social work education in an era of social transformation" National Day of Welfare & Social Workers, organised by the University of the Netherlands Antilles and the Directorate of Social Development in the Ministry of Public Health and Social Development of the Netherlands Antilles, Dec. 19, 2008, Curacao, NA.
- "Issues of reciprocity in the research process". 2nd Annual Bioethics Forum of the Bioethics Society of the English-speaking Caribbean (BSEC), St George's, Grenada. October 11, 2008.

### **Barnett, Michael**

- “An Examination of Walter Rodney’s Impact on the Rastafari Movement in the Sixties”. Walter Rodney Conference, October 2008, UWI, Mona Campus.
- “Representations of Race and Ethnicity in the Caribbean and the U.S. and how this correlates with Stratification in Both Regions”. Caribbean Studies Association 34th Annual Conference, June 1-5, 2009, Kingston.
- “An investigation into the Cultural Origins of the Use of the Holy Herb (Ganja) within the Rastafari Tradition”. Caribbean Studies Association 34th Annual Conference, June 1-5, 2009, Kingston.
- “Representations of Race and Ethnicity in the Caribbean and the U.S. and how this correlates with Stratification and Beauty Ideals in Both Regions”. Association of Black Sociologists 39th Annual Conference, June 17-20, 2009, New Orleans, USA.
- “The Rise of Capitalism: A Pan-African Perspective”. United Theological College of the West Indies, March 10, 2009.
- “A Pan-African Response to the Present Economic Crisis”. Liberty Hall, King Street, Kingston, March 29, 2009.

### **Beckford, Orville**

- “Unemployment and Health Status in Jamaica”. Cultural Studies Association Conference, June 2009, Kingston.
- (with Paul Bourne) “Socio-Demographic Factors that Influence the Health Status of Jamaican Youth”. Caribbean Child Research Conference, October 2008, Kingston.

### **Boxill, Ian**

- “HIV/AIDS and Tourism in the Caribbean”. Ministry of Tourism’s Conference on HIV/AIDS and Tourism, March 15, 2009, Barbados.
- “Regulation versus deregulation: capitalism as ideology”. Caribbean Studies Association 34th Annual Conference, June 1-5, Kingston.

- “Casino Gambling in Jamaica: Lessons and Policy Options”. Conference on Casino Gaming, March 2009, Montego Bay, Jamaica.

### **Crawford-Brown**

- “Strategies for Intervention with At-Risk Youth in the Correctional Services”. Caribbean Conference of Correction/ Probation Officers, June 9-12, 2009, Kingston.

### **Daley, Camille**

- “An Examination of the Challenges Faced by Individuals with Sickle Cell Disease in the Jamaican Workplace”, Caribbean Studies Association 34th Annual Conference, June 1-5, Kingston.
- “An Exploration of the Factors Underlying Absenteeism from School by Jamaican Children 6-17yrs using JLSC 2002 data”. Planning Institute of Jamaica (PIOJ) and Statistical Institute of Jamaica (STATIN) Jamaica Survey of Living Conditions (JSLC) 20th Anniversary Conference, November 26, 2008, Kingston.

### **Devonish, Julian**

- “Financial Planning and Dependency in Old Age Among the Jamaican Elderly”. 34th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association, June 1-5, 2009, Kingston.
- “The Changing Patterns in the Demand and Supply of Children in Jamaica , 1989-2002”. 34th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association 2009, June 1-5, 2009. Kingston, Jamaica.
- “The Socio-Demographic Predictors of Successful Healthy Ageing in Jamaica”. Planning Institute of Jamaica (PIOJ) & Statistical Institute of Jamaica (STATIN) Jamaica Survey of Living Conditions (JSLC) 20th Anniversary Conference, November 26, 2008, Kingston.

### **Edwards, Dennis**

- “Perspectives on Neuropsychology in Jamaica”. 8th Annual Psychology Conference, March 2009, UWI, Mona.

- (With Michael Dorn) “Disabilities and Rehabilitation in Jamaica”. 8th Annual Psychology Conference, March 2009, UWI, Mona.
- (With Carla Kerns) “Tropical disease, cardiovascular illnesses and psychiatric disorders in Jamaica”. 8th Annual Psychology Conference, March 2009, UWI, Mona.
- (With Nivishi Edwards) “ Marital status: African American and Caribbean couples”. 8th Annual Psychology Conference, March 2009, UWI, Mona.
- (With Michael Dorn) “Disability and Rehabilitation in Jamaica”. International Symposium on Medical Geography in Ontario Canada, July, 2009.

### **Ffrench, Sean**

- (With Shakeisha Wilson) “Reviewing Participation as a Tool for People Centred Development: The Case of the Papine Development Plan”. 9th Biennial Conference of Caribbean and International Social Work Educators, July 20-24, 2009, Georgetown, Guyana.
- “Beneficiary Perceptions of Jamaica’s Programme for Advancement Through Health and Education (PATH)”. Caribbean Studies Association 34th Annual Conference, June 1-5, Kingston.

### **Gayle, Herbert**

- “Two Jamaicas and their Impact on the Youth: Re-engineering through Sports”, National Youth Service Public Lecture, November 25, 2008. Emancipation Park, Kingston, Jamaica.
- “The Social Cost of Trauma.” Medical Association of Jamaica, June 5, 2009, Jamaica.
- “The Impact of Criminal Violence on Education.” UTECH, June 2, 2009.
- “Generation Lost: Who lost them? Institute of Jamaica, Kingston, May 20, 2009.

- “Youth Participation, Violence and Portmore’s Future.” Portmore Heart Academy, April 28, 2009.
- “The Potholed Road Ahead: Examining Solutions for Reducing the Murder Rate of Jamaica”, Cobb Family Foundation and The American Friends of Jamaica/UWI Fulbright Lecture: January 29, 2009, UWI, Mona.
- “Crime and Violence: Implications for Education.” Research Day, April 1, 2009. Mico University College, Kingston.
- “The African Family, Adaptation and Survival.” St. Mary Civic Centre, Port Maria, February 18, 2009.
- “Protecting our Children and our Future.” St. Luke’s Church, Kingston, November 27, 2008
- “Gangster for Life! An Explanation of Feuds in Jamaica.” Jamaica Constabulary Force. Terra Nova Hotel, Kingston, Jamaica, November 4, 2008.
- “Male Social Participation and Violence in Jamaica.” Lay Magistrates of Jamaica. Medallion Hall, Kingston, September 27, 2008.

#### **Gordon, Michael**

- “Fear of Crime in Jamaica: An Examination of Gender, Age and Social Class Differences”. Derek Gordon Research Seminar, April 2009, UWI, Mona.

#### **Headley, Bernard**

- “The Costs of Crime and Violence to Jamaica’s and the Caribbean’s Economic Development”, Northern Caribbean University Conference entitled Business & Hospitality Management: Current Trends & Issues, April 2009, Mandeville, Jamaica.
- “La deportation en Jamaïque”, Conference on deportations to the Caribbean organised by the Centre, Ecumenique des Droits Humains (CEDH), Haiti, October 26-28, 2008

### **Hinds, Kimberly**

- (with Allen, Lita, McLean, Wendy, Stanigar, Judy and Thompson-Ebanks, Valerie). "Confrontations with the Issue of Sexual Orientation among Caribbean Social Work Professionals". 34th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association, June 1-5, 2009, Kingston, Jamaica
- (with Lita Allen, Shanika Donalds, and Wendy C. McLean). "A Model for Transforming First Year Social Work Students into Lifelong Learners: Experiences from the In-house Practicum Training, UWI, Mona". 9th Biennial Conference of the Association of Caribbean Social Work Educators, Guyana, July 20-24, 2009.

### **Johnson, Rose**

- "Is the Wechsler intelligence scale for children, 4th Edition, (WISC-IV) valid for Jamaican children?" 8th Annual Psychology Conference. March 2009, UWI, Mona, Jamaica.
- "Phobia Interventions. Fast Phobia Intervention for Treatment of Acrophobia (Fear of Heights)". 8th Annual Psychology Conference. March 2009, UWI, Mona, Jamaica.
- "Training of Jamaican Police Officers: Addressing Psychological Needs". Police Training Academy. April 21, 2009.
- "Addressing Quality Assurance in Institutional Accreditation". University Council of Jamaica. University of Technology. February 3, 2009.

### **McFarlane, Tracy**

- "Race and Ethnicity in the Caribbean: Meanings and Impact on Health Outcomes. 34th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association, Kingston, Jamaica, June 1-5, 2009.
- "Life in America: Caribbean Immigrant Women Negotiating Gender and Race". Annual International Convention of the Association of Black Psychologists, August 2008, Oakland, California.



### **McLean, Wendy**

- (with Shakeisha Wilson) "An Overview of Services for Jamaican Children and Families". College of Science Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago (COSTAATT) Seminar, July 27, 2009, Trinidad.
- (with Lita Allen, Shanika Donalds, and Kimberly Hinds) "A Model for Transforming First Year Social Work Students into Lifelong Learners: Experiences from the In-house Practicum Training, UWI, Mona". 9th Biennial Conference of the Association of Caribbean Social Work Educators, Guyana, July 20-24, 2009.
- (with Allen, Lita, Hinds, Kimberly, Stanigar, Judy and Thompson-Ebanks, Valerie). "Confrontations with the Issue of Sexual Orientation among Caribbean Social Work Professionals". 34th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association, June 1-5, 2009, Kingston, Jamaica

### **Mitchell, Rashalee**

- "HIV/AIDS and the Jamaican Sex Worker". 34th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association, Kingston, Jamaica, June 1-5, 2009.
- "Navigating Risks and Building Resilience in Small States" 10th Annual SALISES Conference, UWI, Cave Hill Campus, March 2009.

### **Ramkissoon, Marina**

- "Conceptualizations of Race and Ethnicity: American and Caribbean Models". 34th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association, Kingston, Jamaica, June 1-5, 2009.
- "Social Psychological Issues of Race and Ethnicity: Esteem and Identity in a Jamaican Sample." Association of Black Psychologists Annual Conference in Oakland, California, August 2008

### **Priestley, Sharon**

- “The Impact of Infertility on Fertility in Jamaica, 1943-2002”. 34th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association, Kingston, Jamaica, June 1-5, 2009.

### **Ricketts, Heather**

- Gender Discrimination and Wage Determination in the Jamaican Labour Market. 103rd Annual American Sociological Association (ASA) Conference, Boston, USA, August 1-4.

### **Wilson, Shakeisha**

- (with Sean Ffrench) “Reviewing Participation as a Tool for People-Centered Development”. 9th Biennial Conference of Caribbean and International Social Work Educators, July 20-24, 2009.
- (with Wendy McLean) “An Overview of Services for Jamaican Children and Families”. College of Science Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago (COSTAATT) Seminar, July 27, 2009, Trinidad.
- “The Impact of Structural Adjustment on Health – The Jamaican Experience”. Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) 34th Annual Conference, June 1-5, 2009.

### **Uche, Chukwudum (with O'Connor, C., Beersingh, Y. and Walters, C.)**

- “The Quality of Life of Jamaica’s Elderly Population” at the 34th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association, Kingston, Jamaica, June 1-5, 2009.

## **POSTER PRESENTATIONS**

### **Anderson, Moji**

- (with Elam, G., Gerver, S., Solarin, I., Fenton, K., Easterbrook, P.) “Liminal identities: Caribbean men who have sex with men in London, UK”. International Society for Sexually

Transmitted Disease Research/British Association for Sexual Health and HIV, London, UK, June 28-July 1, 2009.

- (with Elam, G., Solarin, I., Gerver, S., Fenton, K., Easterbrook, P.) “Scorning” PLWHA: HIV/AIDS-related stigma and discrimination among genito-urinary medicine (GUM) clinic attenders of Caribbean descent in London. XVII International AIDS Conference, Mexico City, Mexico, August 3-8, 2008.
- (with Gerver S, Ibrahim F, Mercer C, Garnett G, Easterbrook P.) “Sexual behaviours of black Caribbeans in Britain: comparison of a national probability survey and the LIVITY study”. XVII International AIDS Conference, Mexico City, Mexico, August 3-8, 2008.

### **Brodie-Walker, Stacy**

- (with Morgan, KAD and Brodie-Walker, SN.) “Impact of environment and behaviour on self-esteem in Jamaican adolescent girls”. Association of Black Psychologists (ABPsi) 40th Annual International Convention, August 2, 2008. Oakland, California.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Book Chapters**

#### **Brodie-Walker, Stacey**

- \* “Developmental Psychology in Caribbean school-aged children, ages 13-17”. In F. Hickling, B.K. Matthies, K. Morgan, and R. Gibson, (Eds.) Perspectives in Caribbean Psychology, (pp 204-223). Caribbean Institute of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, (CARIMENSA), UWI, Mona. (2008)

#### **Crawford-Brown, Claudette**

- \* Issues Relating to Violence Affecting Children in the Caribbean. In F. Hickling, B.K. Matthies, K. Morgan, and R. Gibson, (Eds.) Perspectives in Caribbean Psychology, (pp 393-464). Caribbean Institute of Mental Health and Substance Abuse (CARIMENSA), UWI, Mona. (2009).

### **Johnson, Rose**

- \* (with Weller, P., Brown, S.) The application of traditional psychotherapy. In F. Hickling, B.K. Matthies, K. Morgan, and R. Gibson, (Eds.) Perspectives in Caribbean Psychology, (pp 537-557). Caribbean Institute of Mental Health and Substance Abuse (CARIMENSA), UWI, Mona. (2009).
- \* (with Coley. T.) Psychological assessment. In F. Hickling, B.K. Matthies, K. Morgan, and R. Gibson, (Eds.) Perspectives in Caribbean Psychology, (pp 630-651). Caribbean Institute of Mental Health and Substance Abuse (CARIMENSA), UWI, Mona. (2009).

### **Ramkissoon, Marina**

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**RESEARCH GRANTS****Anderson, Moji**

Caribbean Health Research Council – US\$5,000. Study entitled *Sickle Cell Disease and Quality of Life in Rural and Urban Areas*. Co-investigator Dr Monika Asnani, Sickle Cell Unit, Tropical Metabolism Research Institute, Epidemiology Research Unit, UWI Mona.

Ministry of Health – J\$134,000. Study entitled *Living with Hypertension and Diabetes: A Qualitative Study*. Co-investigator Dr. Iyanna Wellington, North-eastern Regional Health Authority, Ocho Rios, St Ann, Jamaica.

**Anderson, Patricia and Ricketts, Heather**

New Initiative Grant – \$J1.41 million. Study entitled *The Impact of the Economic Crisis on Jamaican Communities*.

**Baker, Peta-Anne**

Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) – US\$9,400. To undertake a strategic analysis of the policy environment and assessment of the readiness of civil society organisations and communities in the Cockpit Country to engage in advocacy to promote community stability, violence-free communities, sustainable livelihoods and the protection of the natural and cultural heritage of the region.

(with Wendy McLean) Caribbean Child Support Initiative Learning Community Programme – US \$6,000. Study entitled

*“A Natral Ting Dat?” – Primary Caregiver Perspectives on Sexuality and the Young Child”.*

New Initiative Grant – J\$1.4 million. Study entitled *Challenging the social exclusion of older persons in Jamaica: a case study.*

### **Headley, Bernard**

European Commission-United Nations’ Joint Migration & Development Initiative, “Supporting Jamaican Deported Migrants and their Families”, The total grant is 148,000 Euros, to be divided between the UWI’s Institute for Sustainable Development and the Female Welfare Prisoners Hibiscus Project.

### **Mason, Gillian**

Special New Initiative Grant - \$499, 853.50. Study entitled *Aggressive Behaviour in Intimate Adolescent Relationships.*

## **AWARDS**

The Department received the Principal’s Research Award for *The Research Project Attracting the Most Research Funds in the Faculty of Social Sciences for 2008-09*. The study is entitled *Social Affirmation, Community and Selfhood in Jamaica* and the authors are Mr. Clement Branche and Ms. Sophia Morgan. The project is being funded by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA).

**Dr. Claudette Crawford-Brown** was honoured by the Peace Management Initiative for her Clinical Social Work Intervention with children and adolescents in urban communities in January 2009. Dr. Crawford-Brown was also recognized by the Early Childhood Commission with a Certificate of Appreciation for training services provided to children and parents who have been affected by violence.

**Ms. Shakeisha Wilson** was honoured by the UWI, Mona and the Lions Club of Mona, in partnership with the UWI Development and Endowment Fund with a Certificate of Appreciation, for her invaluable contribution to the establishment of the UWI Mona Lions Club Centre for Students with Special Needs in November, 2008.

**Dr. Michael Barnett** was awarded the UWI / Guardian Life Premium Teaching Award for Teaching Excellence in October 2008.

**Dr. Peta-Anne Baker** was honoured for her contribution to the development of the Jamaican Association of Social Workers on the occasion of the observance of their 40th Anniversary, May 2009.

## **PUBLIC SERVICE**

### **Anderson, Patricia**

- Member, Advisory Committee for the 2011 Census of Jamaica, Statistical Institute of Jamaica
- Member of the Advisory Committee for the Research Agenda Programme of the Planning Institute of Jamaica
- Member of Steering Committee for the Survey of Living Conditions, Planning Institute of Jamaica

### **Baker, Peta-Anne**

- International Editorial Advisor, *British Journal of Social Work*.
- Chair, Editorial Board, Caribbean Journal of Social Work.
- Reviewer, *Journal of Social Work Education*
- Chief Judge, Michael Manley Foundation Award for Community Self-Reliance.
- Member, University Council of Jamaica Accreditation Review Team for the Bachelor of Social Work programme at the Jamaica Theological Seminary.

### **Beckford, Orville**

- Member, Kingston College Old Boys Association – Teacher & Student Grant's Committee
- Volunteer, St Catherine Branch of the Red Cross Association

### **Branche, Clement**

- Member, The Bridge Jamaica Steering Committee – PATH programme

### **Brodie-Walker, Stacy**

- Volunteer, Sistren Theatre Collective.

### **Crawford-Brown, Claudette**

- Counsellor, UWI Violence Prevention Clinic

**Daley, Camille**

- Co-founder and Director, Sickle Cell Support Club of Jamaica

**Devonish, Julian**

- UWI Representative, Census 2011 Technical Sub-committee on Demographic Methods, Statistical Institute of Jamaica
- Reviewer, Economic and Social Survey of Jamaica
- UWI Representative, Planning Institute of Jamaica's Population Policy Co-ordinating Committee (PPCC)

**Edwards, Dennis**

- Member, Jamaica Red Cross
- Member, Hearing Health Foundation of the Caribbean
- Member, Jamaica Independent Schools Association, Ministry of Education

**Ffrench, Sean**

- Executive Member, Jamaica College Old Boys Association

**Gayle, Herbert**

- Member, Board of Management of Children First Agency.
- Member, Board of Management. Griffin Trust, Jamaica
- Chairman, Fathers Incorporated
- Member, Violence Prevention Alliance (UWI, Ministry of Health)
- Member, Centre for Studies in Public Safety and Justice

**Headley, Bernard**

- Board Member, "Land of My Birth", an NGO dedicated to resettlement and reintegration of Jamaicans deported from the U.K., Canada and U.S.

**Hinds, Kimberly**

- Board member, The Salvation Army School for the Blind

**Mason, Gillian**

- Member, Woman Inc.

**McLean, Wendy**

- Committee member, Development of Inter Agency Referrals Team for vulnerable and at risk children (UNICEF).
- Member, Strategic Planning Committee, Association of Qualitative Researchers in the Caribbean

**Priestley, Sharon**

- UWI Representative, Adolescent Reproductive Health Policy Working Group of the Ministry of Health.
- Member, Planning Institute of Jamaica (PIOJ) Informal Working Group on Vital Statistics.

**Reid, Patrice**

- Volunteer, Jamaica Cancer Society.
- Volunteer, Queen's School Mentorship Programme.

**Ricketts, Heather**

- Chairperson, Social Welfare and Vulnerable Groups Task Force, Vision 2030, Planning Institute of Jamaica
- Member, Technical Steering Committee, Jamaica Survey of Living Conditions (JSLC).
- Reviewer, *Social and Economic Studies Journal*

**Uche, Chukwudum**

- Technical Reviewer, CARICOM Regional Special Topics Monographs Project

**Wilson, Shakeisha**

- Member, Jamaica Network of Seropositives (JN+) Board of Directors
- Member, Advisory Committee on the Development and Implementation of New Training Programmes in the Professions Allied to Medicine.
- Member, National Taskforce for Persons with Disabilities towards the National Development Plan 2030